



Upper Valley Apple Corps

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Dear Prospective Apple Corps Participant,

We are excited to invite you to engage with us in planting and caring for fruit trees around the Upper Valley and in making free fruit available to the public for generations to come. It is exciting to think about the community connections that these trees will represent..... the connection to the land and the people they will help support. As is indicated on the attached form, there are four main ways that you can join in this effort.

DONATE

Sponsor a Tree: A \$50 donation pays for the rootstock and soil amendments and also puts your name on a plaque that will be worn by the tree. (Donations of other amounts are gratefully accepted.)

HOST

Provide a Site: Those who oversee sites that are easily accessible to the public (or for which an alternate sharing plan is approved) and could use one or more beautiful fruit trees, may sign up to have an Apple Corps volunteer come to check out the perspective site. You may also commit to providing the water and care for the tree(s), or the Corps will coordinate other volunteer(s).

CARE

“Adopt a Tree” Those who water, prune and care for the tree during the tree's first years of life. Your name will be listed on the tree's plaque. The primary responsibility is to provide approximately five gallons of water per day the first three months after planting. The Corps will also help you learn all aspects of tree care if you wish, such as pruning. You can specify the duration of your commitment. The Corps will help you find a replacement care person for your tree when your commitment expires.

SHARE

Planting Day Volunteers: On May 18th, Apple Corps will host a Apple Corps Festival during the hours of 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Lyman Point Park in Downtown White River Junction. This event will include delectable fruity bake goods, instruction on fruit tree planting, live music and more. Event volunteers will be needed both at the Apple Corps Party and at tree sites throughout the Upper Valley.

Festival Volunteers: On May 18th, help set up displays, serve food and maintain site.

Gleaners: Help pick and distribute fruit so that it is easily accessible by the public.

Tree Scouts: Help identify existing fruit and nut trees in the Upper Valley that need care. Help keep our site map current by notifying the Corps of trees ready for picking or needing maintenance.

Skill Builders: Can you teach tree maintenance, grafting, pruning, canning or other fruit related skills? Would you like to learn how? We need to cross pollinate our knowledge for resilience in the Upper Valley!

To sign up for any of these positions, please fill out the enclosed (or attached) Apple Corps Registration Form. If you have questions about any of these positions, please email them to info@uvapplecorps.org and indicate the area of interest and the appropriate volunteer will contact you.

Thanks for your interest in fruit!

Sincerely,



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Participation Agreement

Name: _____

Business or Organization Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Town, State, Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Eve Phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

My Role: (Please check ALL that apply)

I will provide a site for up to ____ trees (spaced no less than 15' apart)

Site name: _____

Site owned by: _____
(eg: self, school, church, etc.)

My title / relationship to the owner: _____
(eg: board member)

Sharing plan: _____
(eg: full public access, school community, produce sharing, see website)

Tree site address: _____

Tree site Town, State, Zip: _____

I have authority to grant permission for this site.

I will help gain permission from the organization that owns the site.

This site receives 6-8 hours of sun per day.

Please indicate good times for an Apple Corps volunteer to speak with you at your site:

I will plant and provide ongoing care (adopt-a-tree) for ____ trees for ____ months.

I'm willing to travel ____ miles from my home to my tree(s).

I will provide funding @ \$50/tree. # of trees ____ (other amount) \$ ____ Total \$ ____

Please make checks payable to "Transition Town White River Junction".

I would like to volunteer for the Fruit Tree Festival ____ or planting day ____ on May 18th.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Apple Corps thanks you for your participation!

Adopters, please go to our website, uvapplecorps.org and read about fruit tree care via the “Resources” link (on the right).

Everyone is invited to our Fruit-tree Festival from 10-2:00 on Saturday May 18th to celebrate tree planting, learn about fruit trees and plant some.

Also, we invite you to join us in a special workshop, 5/18, 7:00 PM in Plymouth, NH by Fruit Tree Expert Michael Phillips. Please contact the email below to arrange a carpool.

Financial supporters, please make checks payable to
“**Transition Town White River Junction**” and mail to:

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Please visit our website at: www.uvapplecorps.org

Email info@uvapplecorps.org or call 802-294-2425 with any questions.

The Upper Valley Apple Corps *is brought to you by the volunteers of Transition Five Villages, Occupy the Upper Valley and The Center for Transformational Practice.*

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