



**Invite you to join the
2010 Beat the Heat Community Planting Against Climate Change with**



WHEN: Saturday, 17 October, 2009 (Rain date: Sunday, 10/18)
10 AM-2 PM (or finish—but feel free to come for any of that time!)

WHERE: Gather at EarthWorks' headquarters
34 Linwood Street
Roxbury MA, 02119

Map to [EarthWorks](#)

Please Use Public Transportation to Help Reduce the Event's Carbon Footprint.

Closest T stop is the Roxbury Crossing stop on the Orange line. The station also offers connections to the 19, 22, 29, 66, and 9703 MBTA Bus lines. Here's a link to walking directions from the Roxbury Crossing stop to Earth Works:

[Walking from Roxbury Crossing to EarthWorks](#)

For additional direction on the T, visit www.mbta.com

Contact cell phones: 617-869-6720 (Peter Bowne, EarthWorks Director)
617-413-6619 (George Grattan, Earthwatch)

All volunteers affiliated with First Wind, Earthwatch, and Earth Works and their community partners are welcome, as are spouses and friends; *children under age 16 must have adult supervision.*

As tools will be present, event may not be appropriate for very young children.

Planting and community garden landscaping efforts will take place near the Cooper Community Center, home to the Edward L. Cooper Memorial Community Garden, the Crite Community Garden, and the new EarthWorks orchard, which includes an edible shrub garden and borders that support pollinators and area biodiversity.

[Edward L. Cooper Memorial Community Garden](#)

24-26 Linwood St.

Roxbury, MA

[Allan Crite Garden](#)

107-125 Cedar Street

Roxbury, MA

Significant expansions of the Cooper Center landscape started in the spring of 2009, and this day of action will help bring these community greenspaces to the next stage of their development.

The site will be planted with edible shrubs and fruit trees (part of EarthWorks' Urban Orchards program) and the community will have pick-and-eat access to these gardens. (When excess ripening fruit is available, EarthWorks partners with community volunteers to deliver this food to area shelters.)

Volunteers will help plant the edible shrubs and two-to-three fruit trees, as well as help create a path that will make the gardens more accessible to the community.

How to Prepare/What to Bring

Volunteers should wear long pants and protective shoes (no open toes; boots are preferable). Wear long pants to protect legs from scratches and injuries, even if it's warm out. If it's cooler, we recommend that people dress in layers, so that they can adjust to the temperature as they work. Dress to get dirty, wear clothes you don't care about.

We will provide all equipment and tools for the project, including gloves. The Cooper Center is equipped with bathrooms, potable water and a secure area to leave anything you might want to bring and lock up during your time here.

Rain Plan

The project will take place rain/snow or shine. Only in the event of thundershowers or heavy rains/snow will the project be cancelled. If the weather looks seriously threatening and we think that bad weather will be a factor we will be in touch to cancel and reschedule. If you are concerned about the weather and no one has contacted you, please feel free to call Peter on his cell phone (617.869.6720).



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