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Capital Roots Welcomes New Board Members and Staffer

Capital Roots, formerly Capital District Community Gardens, recently welcomed two new members to its Board of Directors and a marketing staffer to its team. The 23-member board works closely with Capital Roots' staff to develop innovative programs that are implemented by the 40-year-old non-profit and introduced to the community through our PR and Marketing coordinator. Capital Roots currently nourishes more than 175,000 residents in four counties with 480 tons of fresh, affordable produce each year.

Deborah Bennett of Albany County joins Capital Roots' board. Bennett is a devoted community volunteer throughout the Capital Region and a graduate of Russell Sage College. She additionally serves on the boards of other organizations in the community, including the Albany Institute of History and Art.

Mark Bryant of Albany County joins Capital Roots' board. Bryant is the VP of Bryant Asset Protection, Inc. and a graduate of Bryant College. He is a certified financial planner that provides financial planning and investment advice to businesses and individuals. He also serves as an investment advisor representative for Commonwealth Financial Network in Massachusetts.

Rebecca Webster of Rensselaer County rejoins Capital Roots' staff as PR and Marketing Coordinator. A Troy native, Webster worked as Capital Roots' Events and Volunteer Coordinator from 2013-2014 before working as the assistant editor of *Cityview* magazine in Knoxville, Tennessee. She formerly reported for two New York State newspapers prior to joining Capital Roots.

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Capital Roots is a 40-year-old nonprofit organization that nourishes healthy communities with nearly 50 Community Gardens, The Veggie Mobile®, Healthy Stores, The Produce Project, Squash Hunger and more. Capital Roots recently opened The Urban Grow Center, a regional facility focused on urban agriculture and produce distribution to four counties, enabling Capital Roots to triple our ability to deliver local food and services to underserved neighborhoods and low-income families. Learn more at www.capitalroots.org



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