**Application Form**

**Residency**

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Birthdate (optional):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_           Pronoun (optional):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**References (names and contact info):**

 Name Phone Number

 A Friend: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 A co-worker:              \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 A relative:                   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Last landlord :           \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Categories of Resident at Meadow Farm include:*

 *1) Permanent Residents*

*2) Provisional resident seeking Permanent Residency Track*

*3) Seekers of residency in their first two months*

*4) Temporary residents authorized a limited month to month basis to perform a task or a project.*

*Persons who are not considered “residents” are:*

1. *Workaways,*
2. *Hip Camp visitors*
3. *A guest of a resident*
4. *Volunteers*
5. *Renters as may be authorized by Board/LC approval*

*Our Meadow Farm Vision:*

*Our community is a place of peace, beauty and creative life-enhancing opportunities. We live in harmony with each other, the environment, our neighbors and the wider community. We support, nourish and are grateful to all beings and our planet. Our work and play reflect love in action.*

Please provide your thoughts on our vision, your own life philosophies, and the concrete ways you follow those philosophies.

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Our Meadow Farm Mission:

*Our community recognizes the climate change emergency. We strive to ameliorate the suffering and other negative impacts of climate disasters. Our farm community allows for a diversity of people to develop and practice their talents, share their gifts and uses compassionate communication for living together safely and harmoniously. Meadow Farm provides an opportunity for enriching lives through affordable accommodations, permaculture, organic farming, education and other creative endeavors. We co-create via a dynamic and collaborative decision-making model.*

How does your personal philosophy align with this mission?

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What do you personally do to ameliorate the effects of climate change or promote environmental healing? Would you be willing to collaborate on ride sharing or ride a bicycle for town errands.

Your thoughts on resource conservation and carbon sequestration?

Is your application as a single person? a couple? or a family?

Do you have a plan for length of stay?

**Please describe:**

Intentional community experiences? (if any – use additional pages to describe):

Are you willing to allow us to inquire upon your credit history? (We ask this question to determine whether a person’s prior financial practices may affect the Community. It is not so much the amount of funds we are interested in knowing but how they were managed that matters.)

 Yes/No

How do you see your strengths and challenges in terms of financial responsibility.

How do you support yourself financially during your residency here?

What skill sets do you have that may be useful to the Community? (ie Use of Farm/construction tools, office, admin, IT, utility/solar, etc)

What tools or other property would you bring that may be of use to your participation in the Community?

Do you have any physical health issues or disabilities that may need accommodations?

At Meadow Farm several residents practice sobriety, and we ask that volunteers and residents practice sobriety in all common areas and while working. We ask the following questions as our collective experience has shown that use of alcohol and mind-altering drugs may cause lapses in judgment and/or behaviors that could be harmful to the common good of the community. What a person consumes in the privacy of their own domicile is left to the person’s personal preferences.

Circle which applies to you: I do not consume any mind-altering substances.  I use cannabis.  I Use alcohol.  I use other mind-altering substances.

If not practicing sobriety, would you be willing to have a discussion about your use of such substances? Y/N

Do you use any medications that are important to your health.

Describe your comfort for communicating feelings, needs and wants.

Place an “X” on the line below where you consider your comfort:

Extremely                                                                               No Discomfort

Uncomfortable ………………………………………….................... Whatsoever

Describe your ability to make and keep agreements

Describe any spiritual practices that may impact the community?

Are you familiar with the practices of NVC? (Yes/No)

Are you familiar with the practices of Sociocracy? (Yes/No)

Please share what you may already know about conscious communication practices and group decision-making.

How do you describe your ability to collaborate with others?

What other groups/organizations are you affiliated with?

Please list your personal needs

What you love to:

 Do?

 Eat? (Any special dietary needs?)

 Share?

Why do you want to live here in a community?

What are your expectations of the Community?

Our community is dynamic and constantly evolving. How prepared and willing are you to attend and participate fully in community meetings?

Tell us about

 Pets:

 Vehicles:

 Belongings:

Have you read & understand the MFCLT’s Vision, Mission, and Aims and Policies?  *Yes/No*

Is there anything in the policies & identified areas that might challenge you or are confusing? Please comment here:

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? If yes, would you be willing to share and have a discussion about the felony conviction?

Do you possess a valid driver’s license?  Please list State and ID No.

**STEPS TO RESIDENCY**

Following completion of this form, we first recommend all interested candidates volunteer in the Farm’s Garden Circle or on the Farm’s Facilities and Infrastructure Circle during the time the board considers an applicant’s application.

After potential residency is consented to by the full community & residents, and if it seems a good fit for all, then the candidate may enter into a Resident’s Agreement with the Leadership Circle.

The first 30 days of tenancy will be considered a trial period during which the candidate is encouraged to observe the workings of the Farm. The candidate is then encouraged to attend meetings as an observer, not as a consenting participant (in a sociocratic process participants provide objection or no-objection on a proposal rather than voting which lead to a group consent, all voices have an opportunity to be heard).

Participation in all other activities is encouraged.

After 30 days and if, during a check-in with full Community, Candidate’s continued tenancy is consented to, Candidate is encouraged to participate fully in meetings as a consenting participant in their community circle(s).

After 6 months, Candidates may apply to become a Provisional Resident exploring becoming a Permanent Resident.

Permanent Residency is conferred after 18 months of full-time tenancy and is confirmed upon full Community consent & a contractual buy-in.  Type of housing allowed on the farm under the County’s zoning codes is limited.  Tiny homes on wheels and skids are allowed but subject to proper septic and gray water practices. Residents will need to homestead and supply their living areas with what they need. The current residents and Leadership is willing to supply some assistance to meet these needs

Upon confirmation of Permanent Residency, all celebrate.