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## **The Arc Eastern Connecticut Receives Grant from the Chelsea Groton Foundation**

The Chelsea Groton Foundation has awarded The Arc Eastern Connecticut a \$785 grant to offset costs of maintaining its garden area and aquaponics program during the closures mandated due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the closure, staff and residents of the home where the garden is located will be taking care of the fish and growing towers, and producing a variety of vegetables for 93 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities who live in The Arc ECT's 22 supported residences around eastern Connecticut. The Foundation's grant will help the garden—and the team working there—to improve and maintain its soil quality and keep pace with the growing season in what has been a difficult year for larger-scale gardens everywhere.

To learn more about The Arc Eastern Connecticut and its programs throughout the region, and for weekly agency updates and resources during the COVID-19 pandemic, please visit [TheArcECT.org](http://TheArcECT.org) or contact Denise Tift at (860) 889-4435, ext. 116.