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Hydroponics Programming Expanding in Amani

Partners will offer 'Growing Food for Food Sustainability and Health & Mental Wellness' to Amani and Milwaukee residents at Dominican Center

MILWAUKEE, May 22, 2023 — The Dominican Center (DC), a nonprofit that works with residents in Milwaukee's Amani neighborhood, has partnered with FullCircle26 Inc. (FC26I) and America Works to expand hydroponic lab offerings, including a new program called *Growing Food for Food Sustainability and Health & Mental Wellness*.

FC26I, North America's sales and marketing consulting, distribution and training organization, uses their 3D Model of Sustainability™ by teaching hands-on soil and soil-less gardening programs. DC's hydroponics lab, in the heart of the Amani community, is furnished by FC26I. The organization also provides upkeep training as well as an education curriculum for students. The lab includes multiple units that together can produce tens of thousands of plants with minimal water and electricity costs. Hydroponics is a method of growing food indoors that uses nutrient-dense water to grow plants without needing soil.

FC26I created a hands-on hydroponics program through their 3D Model of Sustainability™ specifically for the potential employees at America Works to expand their knowledge and opportunities. After running this successful program in 2022, America Works decided to continue working with FC26I to implement additional programming in 2023. After working with both America Works and DC, FC26I decided there were many benefits to move the Growing Food for Food Sustainability, and Health & Mental Wellness Program from the America Works federal building to the hydroponic lab at DC. The move from downtown to the DC makes it more accessible to the participants of the program geographically. Participants will also have additional hydroponic systems to work with and eventually will add soil gardening to the program as well. The new location of the program will be the Dominican Center for Women, 2470 W Locust St, Milwaukee, WI 53206.

About the Dominican Center

The Dominican Center in the Amani neighborhood works with Amani residents and partners to build a better future. Founded in 1995, the Dominican Center began as an urban ministry program to learn more about the women in the neighborhood and has since evolved to serve all Amani residents and respond to the changing needs of the community. Today, DC serves as the community anchor for the White House Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative, Building Neighborhood Capacity Program and is the lead community partner for the US Department of Justice's Innovations of Community Based Crime Reduction grant for Amani.

About the FullCircle26 Inc.

FullCircle26 Inc. has placement of OPCOM Hydroponic systems in over 1,000 schools nationwide, hundreds of consumers, international distributors, and Canadian clients. FullCircle26, Inc provides access to plant growing and farm technology of the future. FullCircle26, Inc. is your team to GROW! We offer Sales and Marketing Consulting, STEM Education Soil/Soil-less Gardening program training and North America distribution of unique and innovative AGTech (agriculture) and STEAM/STEM merchandise.

About America Works

America Works is a 100% Women-Owned Business. Our mission is to equip each individual who comes to our offices with the right tools so that they are able to provide for themselves and their loved ones. We believe the most effective approach in helping people out of poverty is by assisting them in finding meaningful employment. Our proven methods, services and experienced staff offer the right combination for success.

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