COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT Briana's Story

Briana Petersen is a local Burlington resident who is passionate about bringing environmental awareness to the doorstep of her community.

While she is passionate about most environmental issues and she leads a lifestyle that is low waste and sustainable, gardening has been a main focus. To Briana, "the more we connect with nature and the bounty it provides, the more we become stewards to the land".

You may remember Briana from when she joined us virtually back in February, 2021 to talk about gardening tips and her free vegetable seed giveaway. During the pandemic, she hoped her seed-giveaway would provide benefits to mental health, improve food security and help people slow down and connect with nature. Briana was able to equip 285 Burlington residents with free starter kits and seeds. Creating a sustainable low-impact giveaway was important to Briana, so she ensured that supplies were local, sustainable, and environmentally friendly. Briana also went on to create a 'Burlington Gardeners' Facebook group for the local community to connect and share their garden journey – everyone is welcome to join!

A big thank you to Briana for her amazing seed giveaway and for not only encouraging the community to grow their own food, but also equipping them with the supplies, resources and knowledge to do it eco-friendly. We value your contributions and efforts to help make Burlington a more environmentally friendly place to live!



