

About Guns to Gardens: Guns to Gardens provides an opportunity for community members to safely dispose of unwanted firearms without putting them back out on the market. This novel program has been held in several other states, and we are excited to bring it to New Hampshire for a 2nd year now. Community members are encouraged to bring an unwanted, unloaded firearm to be dismantled into useful things, like art or garden tools!

Guns to Gardens is hosted by GunSense NH, a project of Granite State Progress and Engage New Hampshire, the NH Council of Churches, Kent Street Coalition, and other members of the NH Gun Violence Prevention Coalition.

Two important Guns to Gardens events:

Join the NH Guns to Gardens Forging Demonstration and Celebration! Join us for a day of reflection and inspiration on Saturday, May 4th at Wesley United Methodist Church in Concord, as we transform unwanted firearms collected at Guns to Gardens events into garden tools. Our live hands-on forging demonstration event includes a celebration; silent auction and raffle of Guns to Gardens tools, wooden bowls, and jewelry; creative community art collage with dismantled gun bits; and fellowship with fellow gun violence prevention advocates and supporters as we raise awareness and funds for our Guns to Gardens program. You can sign up here:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nh-guns-to-gardens-forging-demonstration-and-celebration-tickets-880886734937?aff=oddtcreator&utm_source=email&utm_medium=sparkpost&utm_campaign=postpublish

We will be holding our second annual Guns to Gardens event on June 8, 2024, 10am to 1pm. Again, we will be setting up in Concord at the Wesley United Methodist Church parking lot, 79 Clinton Street. This event provides an opportunity for Granite Staters to voluntarily surrender firearms that they no longer want and do not wish to sell or put back into circulation. Under state law, New Hampshire law enforcement must either store firearms voluntarily surrendered to them, use them, or sell them back out on the market. Guns to Gardens helps take unwanted firearms off the market by repurposing them into something more useful, and less harmful, to our community. Sign up to support Guns to Gardens here:

<http://act.granitestateprogress.org/signup/im-interested-nhs-first-ever-guns-gardens-event/>