



Stuy Cove Park is a Lower Manhattan greenspace and educational hub for conversations on food, climate, and social justice. Built atop a former industrial site on stolen Lenape land, this city-owned property is managed by Solar One in partnership with the NYC Economic Development Corporation.

Located along the East River between 18th and 23rd streets, it provides our community with a unique and beautiful green space for relaxing, picnicking, exercising, and more. Sustainability is a founding principle at Stuy Cove, and we are dedicated to providing a model of park maintenance that has minimal environmental impact both locally and globally.

## Our Mission:

We are living in a time of compounding crises: grievous class and race inequity, deadly pandemics, climate chaos and more, but at Stuy Cove Park we have learned that storytelling— particularly through the lens of food and food culture— can help people think critically and act decisively; to reflect and respond as interdependent stewards of planet earth.

To that end we host conversations that increase literacy and competency on complex issues through immersive community activations with land. By welcoming folks of intersecting identities to see, taste, smell and feel the many gifts planet Earth has to offer, we can increase our collective agency in building a just and sustainable future. We hope you'll join us for one of our volunteer projects, hands-on workshops, educational field trips, or wild food events.

## Volunteer at the Park:

Volunteers are essential to Stuyvesant Cove Park. We work with many dedicated local residents, schools, summer programs, and nonprofit and corporate groups comprised of people of all ages and abilities. Volunteers gain experience in all aspects of perennial plant propagation and care, as well as maintenance of our public urban permaculture gardens. There is no better way to get to know someone than to work beside them. Connect with fellow volunteers as you learn about ethnobotany, restoration agriculture, and cultivation of native plants, or quietly benefit from the grounding experience of working the earth.

In 2012 Hurricane Sandy hit lower Manhattan hard with a 13-foot storm surge. As a result construction began in 2020 for the East Side Coastal Resiliency (ESCR) Project, which razed and rebuilt the park's entire footprint while also installing a 10-foot flood wall to protect lower Manhattan communities from the oncoming impacts of sea level rise. As our planet and community continue to transform, Stuy Cove Park will serve as a space for community, ecology and social repair in America's most diverse and densely populated city.

