About Hopkins Farmhands

Hopkins Home for Agriculture

Hopkins Farmhands provides Hopkins students with the chance to work on a real farm and learn about agriculture. In practicing these tasks, our club gains access to much more.

Each week, we leave Baltimore – passing through many miles of Maryland countryside – and help harvest food for local food banks. We spend about half of the day working closely with experienced farmers at First Fruits Farm, and even get to bring home fresh produce.

For many of our members, this weekly trip provides a peaceful and meaningful respite from college life. It is an opportunity to get outside, work the land, and do some good.

2014 marked the beginning of new projects for the Hopkins Farmhands, and the continuation of tried and true practices. As in the past, we worked closely with First Fruits Farm to help harvest crops for Maryland food banks, contributing around 10,000 pounds of produce – out of the one and a half million pounds total yield – to local charities. We have continued our involvement with the Center for Social Concern, helping to raise awareness for sustainable farming and responsible eating on campus as well.

We have also begun working with CLF Aquaponics, a Baltimore farming group operated by the Bloomberg School of Public Health, and with Barclay middle school, to provide nutrition and farming lessons for kids.
Farmhands in Action

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