



### **Unique Small Farm for Secure Lease in Lyme, Connecticut**

This five-acre farm has a lot to offer. The owners seek an enterprising farmer or farm couple to rent this well cared for property toward an ownership option in the future. The land and infrastructure recently supported a small CSA operation. Many enterprise options and market opportunities are possible, including re-starting and expanding the CSA, direct-to-consumer, and/or retail sales of produce, perennial fruits and ornamental crops.

Lyme, Connecticut is a small rural community on the Connecticut River in New London County. It is committed to preserving its agricultural heritage and abundant natural features. Lyme is located 20 minutes from New London and 40 minutes from New Haven.

Known as New Mercies Farm, the farmland is comprised of a Hinckley soil classified as “statewide importance” for farming. There are 2 plastic greenhouses, a storage shed, good water sources, and a one bedroom apartment above a combination storage-garage-processing-pick-up area. An energy efficient walk-in cooler and perimeter deer fencing are among the property’s other assets. Two tractors with several implements are also available for use.

The landowners live several miles from the property. They have invested significantly in the land and buildings, and have strong values about its stewardship. To that end, they offer an affordable multi-year lease agreement with a short-term trial period and option to purchase. The owners will pursue permanent protection of the property through an agricultural easement. Caretaking duties could go toward the rent.

The owners seek inquiries from qualified applicants who adhere to organic farming standards. Qualified applicants are experienced and entrepreneurial, with diverse talents and strong references.

[Land For Good](#) is assisting with farmer recruitment. The property may be toured at an open house on October 24 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by appointment. Interested farmers please email [kathy@landforgood.org](mailto:kathy@landforgood.org) for information about the application and selection process.

**Classified version:** Five acre farm in Lyme, CT with great soils, one BR cottage, greenhouses, cooler and other structures. Was CSA; excellent potential for diverse markets. Secure, multi-year lease with possible future purchase. Contact [kathy@landforgood.org](mailto:kathy@landforgood.org) for October open house and application information.