Wakamatsu Farm Legacy Fund

Please Support Wakamatsu Farm’s Long-Term Sustainability

What is Wakamatsu Farm? The 272-acre property is the landmark site of the Wakamatsu Tea & Silk Farm Colony. Within a few miles of California gold discovery in Coloma, CA, the first Japanese immigrant group settled and planted their roots at Wakamatsu Farm on June 8, 1869.

Landmark Wakamatsu Farm, 941 Cold Springs Road, Placerville, CA
- Site of the 1st Japanese colony in America
- Birthplace of 1st Japanese-American
- Gravesite of 1st Japanese immigrant woman in America

Keep history alive. Since purchasing the property in 2010, the Conservancy has been conserving and stewarding the land, repairing and improving the Farm’s structures, and educating and welcoming visitors of all ages from around the world. Every year, the number of visitors and volunteers who benefit from the Farm’s resources steadily grows. Over time, more and more people will continue to appreciate and join the unfolding American story of this Farm. Financial support is needed to sustain and build on the Farm’s momentum.

Wakamatsu Farm is not yet self-sustaining. Managing an historic, operational farm requires more than world-wide recognition and heartfelt sentiment. As it stands today, the future of the Farm is gravely uncertain. This valuable acreage has reached its “tipping point” when it must become 100% sustainable or face dire changes. Moving into the future requires further investment in repairs and infrastructural improvements to bolster the Farm’s potential while meeting the growing public demand.

Profitable projects will secure the Farm’s future. Several projects have been evaluated to increase the Farm’s income potential. Uniquely suited to the Wakamatsu site, these projects are designed to maximize their collective value to the property while providing a return on each investment.

- Outdoor classroom complex  
- Historic Veerkamp barn restoration  
- Commercial kitchen  
- Historic Graner House updates

Every dollar of your Legacy Fund contribution directly benefits Wakamatsu Farm. With your donation, you can indicate a project preference from the list above or suggest your own idea. Donations of $1,000 or more will secure your name plate on the Wakamatsu Farm Wall of Honor at the Farm.

Please contribute to the past, present, and future of Japanese-American history.
Please give generously.

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