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DEAR FRIEND,

Warm greetings from all of us at [CoFED \(Cooperative Food Empowerment Directive\)](#). We hope you and your community are safe, well, and finding moments of care and connection in these ever-shifting times.

Whether you're already rooted in our Mycelium network or just getting to know us, we're so glad you're here! At CoFED, we work with QTBIPOC farmers and land stewards to collectively transform the food system, and the ways we heal our relationships with land, culture, and one another.

Today, we're excited to invite your support for our keystone cooperative education program: [Build, Unlearn, Decolonize \(BUD\)](#).

ABOUT BUD

BUD is an **immersive, in-person experience for emerging QTBIPOC food and land stewards** that unpacks what it means to tend to self, land, and people from a place of liberation in order to radically reimagine our food systems.

BUD introduces key elements of building cooperative economics and community through a liberative framework that empowers food and land stewards with the practical tools and resources needed to deepen their impact and move their work forward.

This year we will return to North Carolina to offer this program and we're thrilled to bring together a new cohort of young cooperators. Through workshops, storytelling, and community learning, participants will explore cooperative economics, food sovereignty, land rematriation, and more.



HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT

In the spirit of cooperative principles 5 and 6, Education, Training & Information, and Cooperation among Cooperatives, we're asking for your support.

Your sponsorship will help us keep BUD accessible through sliding-scale registration, ensuring that cost is never a barrier for QTBIPOC participants. It will also directly support facilitators who guide this powerful work with care and wisdom.

You'll find our sponsorship levels on the next page, along with details about how your support will be recognized. Your support will help us offer sliding-scale registration, cover travel and housing, and fairly compensate our facilitators, many of whom are movement elders and experienced QTBIPOC organizers.

Together, we can sow seeds of transformation and cultivate the next generation of cooperative leaders. We hope you will join us!

In radical cooperation and with deep thanks,
The CoFED Team

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