

Nicoya Farm is a family fruit and vegetable farm, managed by Aviva Asher and Daniel Robleto on 2.5 acres of land in Southeast Gainesville. We work to build healthy soil and use intensive, regenerative farming practices to grow nutritious crops on our small market farm. We each began our farming journey in the early 2000's and have extensive experience on urban educational and rural market farms throughout the US and in Nicaragua. In 2015 we joined forces to begin Nicoya Farm on leased land in South Florida and recently transitioned the farm to collectively owned land in SE Gainesville. The farmers aim to help create and sustain a viable and vibrant local food system, one that strengthens community ties, and breaks down barriers to healthy food. Nicoya Farm is committed to community food sovereignty, sustainable agriculture, and cultural preservation of food and farming practices. Join us at our farm to plant, harvest, and care for our crops while learning about all aspects of a sustainable farm!

We host volunteers Monday through Friday between 8am and 12pm, and we can occasionally host groups on weekends and afternoons/ evenings. Please email or call to arrange a time to volunteer. We welcome individual volunteers and volunteer groups to join us in a variety of tasks on the farm from harvesting to planting to weeding to special projects. For groups, we offer hands-on instruction, a brief tour, and a Q & A with the farmers as well as opportunities for tasting and reflection. For individuals, we welcome regular or one-time volunteers. We ask volunteers to bring water and wear shoes and clothing appropriate for outdoor physical work (close toed shoes, hats, etc). We like to send volunteers home with produce from the farm and we offer regular work-trade positions on the farm for anyone interested in volunteering one day a week in exchange for a harvest share (get in touch to find out more about this opportunity).

We ask that all volunteers and visitors continue to maintain social distancing and COVID-safe practices while at the farm. Our farm is located at 2202 SE 27th St, Gainesville, 32641, which is less than a ten-minute drive from downtown Gainesville. Turn into the dirt driveway (address is posted on street) and slowly drive down the driveway toward the blue barn. Parking is on the right, across from the barn.