

## Hi, Tunnel!



*By SLO City Farm*

After a long and checkered history, SLO City Farm's High Tunnel facility is finding its highest use producing onions, carrots, strawberries, eggplants, peppers, beets and tomatoes as companion plants, along with alyssum flowers whose sweet fragrance attracts bees and ladybugs. The

strings attached to the rafters allow crops to grow vertically for high-volume harvests nourished by regenerative no-till cultivation methods, including cover cropping, cardboard mulching, and surface composting, which enrich rather than disturb soil microbial activity. The High Tunnel forms part of a Carbon Farming Practices (CFP) study carried out in collaboration with the Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District and the City of SLO.

For seven years, City Farm has advanced community well-being and the common good by fostering connection to food and the land at San Luis Obispo's urban farm. There are many ways to volunteer with City Farm. Join their volunteer email list to receive invites and updates.

Now hosting weekly Harvest Days from 9 a.m. - noon. Visit [www.cityfarmslo.org](http://www.cityfarmslo.org) for more information and to sign up.