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Mystic Rotary Grant Helps The Arc New London County's Farm Stand

The Mystic Rotary Club awarded The Arc New London County \$600 to help with the purchase of a season-extending greenhouse for its Farm Stand in Ledyard. This employment and vocational training program helps men and women with intellectual and developmental disabilities learn valuable skills in a field that they love, in order to transition into competitive employment in the community. Participant employees are responsible for growing, harvesting and selling all produce, and this past year ran a successful Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) pilot program, which the program hopes to expand next year. With the help of the Mystic Rotary's donation, the greenhouse will allow the Farm Stand to start plants earlier in spring and include cold weather crops later in the season.

To learn more about The Arc NLC's Farm Stand or its other employment programs, please visit thearcnlc.org or contact Denise Tift at (860) 889-4435, ext. 116.