

Norwood Makers Collective Newsletter

This year has been an exciting year of change and growth, and here are just a few of the highlights:

- We moved to the Norwood Public Library for our meeting site.
- We stopped our in-person meeting and purchased more craft kits for our members.
- We forged a collaboration with the Museum Center for a couple of makers' classes.
- We made over 600 masks and worked with Norwood Together to deliver free masks for Norwood residents through the Health Department.
- We donated 18 beeswax food wraps to WoodBottom Quail Farm to be included in their Veterans' Wedding Event.
- We helped organize and participate in Welcoming America Week, where three of our members demonstrated through videos on how to create traditional dishes from their country.
- We are collaborating with Norwood Maker Space to design a space for everyone to create.
- We started our online store and working through #100DAYSOFHAPPYMAIL, to make sure we go through our inventory

One thing that we realized this year is that inclusion, which is the core of our mission, takes many shapes. We noticed that several of our members are more passionate about making food than making things. In addition, through our product sales and donations from members and neighbors in Norwood, we made 10 weeks of childcare possible for Foz to participate in Fresh Lo.

As we make plans for 2021, we are looking forward to opening more forms of inclusion possible in our community.

Here's a note From Foz:

“Hello my name is Fawzeya Owda. I am a student in the FreshLo class. I would like to first thanks to my friend Dyah Miller for introducing me to this class and then thanks Woven Oak Initiatives for helping me finish this class is by providing the baby sitter for my kids thank you so much for this opportunity is a great fit for me.”

Our online shop: <https://makerscollective.bigcartel.com/>

To join our program: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/norwoodmakerscollective>

Events coming up: Knit a Baby Hat (online) and Learn to make soap (online)

Contact Dyah Miller at dyah@dyahmiller.net to register