



Common Street Spiritual Center

Land Acknowledgment

Spring, 2024

1. We humbly acknowledge that the Common Street Spiritual Center stands on the land of the Natick Nipmuc Tribe and Praying Indians.

2. We recognize the profound and painful history of genocide and forced removal from this sacred territory that the original Indigenous People of this land endured throughout colonialism.

3. We honor the enduring connection that the original Indigenous People maintain with the land and waterways. For thousands of years prior to colonization, they cared for these lands and waterways, raised their families here, buried their ancestors here, and lived in a sacred way.

4. We will continue to honor their existence by welcoming them to use our facilities, allying with them to protect the land and waterways, supporting their efforts to share their narratives and perspectives, working to make the Town of Natick more hospitable to them, and fostering greater respect for the original Indigenous People and their history within and beyond our community.