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When not at work, Emily volunteers as an English as a Second Language (ESL) instructor through the Cambridge Public Library and supports The New Garden Society provide horticulture vocational training and therapy to inmates in Massachusetts correctional facilities. She holds a masters degree in Community Development and Planning, and a bachelors degree in Sociology from Clark University in Worcester, MA.