



Boston Medical Center Boston, Massachusetts

- TYPE
Commercial
- SIZE
5,000 sq. ft.
- COMPLETION
Earth Day 2017

Produce harvested on BMC's rooftop farm—6,000 lbs. in 2018—goes to the hospital's Preventative Food Pantry, demo kitchen, and on-site cafeterias.



PROJECT INFORMATION

Green Roof Design
Recover Green Roofs

Green Roof Installation
Recover Green Roofs & Higher Ground Farm

Irrigation Design
Recover Green Roof

Plant Types
Vegetables & herbs

Green Roof Components
Recover Aerated Media Module (RAMM)

Soil Media Supplier
Vermont Compost

Seed Stock Supplier
High Mowing Organic Seeds

Farm Management
Higher Ground Farm



A rooftop farm was a natural fit for Boston Medical Center, a hospital with both a steadfast commitment to a green campus and an integrative approach to health. The farm absorbs stormwater and reduces the building's carbon footprint as it provides thousands of pounds of fresh produce to patients and the hospital's Preventative Food Pantry.

Recover designed the farm to provide maximum growth potential for the size and scale of the roof. This system is our most efficient farming system to date—a modular raised-bed system complete with organic Vermont Compost media, remote-monitored smart drip irrigation, and durable roof membrane protection. The farm produces a wide variety of organic vegetables, herbs, and honey. Farm management is provided by Higher Ground Farm.

Top left to bottom right: The BMC farm is a modular raised-bed system made of Recover Aerated Media Modules (RAMMs) / Rows of RAMMs efficiently grow dozens of varieties of vegetables and herbs including greens, edible flowers, squash, beans, and more