



North Avenue Youth Farm CSA

Welcome to the Youth Farm Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program and our second season together!

The Youth Farm is collaboration between Youth Homes and Garden City Harvest to grow local food, community, and young leaders. Our teens will be learning the skills necessary to grow high quality food while becoming active, vital members of their working farm and community. This year's goals include growing our CSA from ten to a twenty family CSA, delivering produce through our Mobile Market for those Missoulians with lower incomes, providing food for nine local shelters and continuing to facilitate an environment of empowerment for our teens. The CSA is at the heart of our mission, designed to bring our kids into the community by sharing their hard work and the food with you.

As a member of the Youth Farm CSA you will receive a portion of the farm's harvest every week, all summer long, for approximately 18 weeks. A share of vegetables will supply a household of four to six people with a week's worth of produce. As a CSA member, you would help support the farm in advance, and buy into the abundance, and sometimes the shortfalls, of the year's harvest. At the Youth Farm we will be growing approximately thirty types of vegetables ranging from the well known broccoli to others such as kohlrabi, tomatoes, lettuce, leeks, pumpkins and just about everything else you like! The cost of a Youth Farm CSA is \$500.00 for the season including a \$100 deposit.

You can pick up your weekly share at the Tom Roy Guidance Home and Youth Farm site on Monday or Thursday from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Produce is harvested and washed the day of pick-up, and set out buffet style before you arrive. The amount and types of vegetables you receive are posted each week and we will be there to talk recipes and farming. We will encourage you to bring your own bags, but will make sure to have some around if you forget. Splitting a share between friends or family is welcome although we ask that you join the CSA with your partner and the division of the food is up to you.

We anticipate our shares selling quickly, so if you would like to participate in our CSA this season, please fill out the CSA order form and return it to Garden City Harvest \$100 deposit. We are giving returning members until February 15th to hold their place, and on February 16th we will offer the unsold shares to the public on a first come, first served basis.

Thanks for all your support with this exciting project. I look forward to seeing you all this summer with your veggies!

Cori Ash
Youth Farm Manager

_____ I had a Youth Farm CSA in 2010 _____ I did not have a Youth Farm CSA in 2010



Youth Farm CSA Order Form

Pick Up:

Will be at the Tom Roy Guidance Home and Youth Farm, between 4:30 and 6:00 p.m. on Monday or Thursday (2824 West Central Ave.)

Please check the line:

_____ Pick Up on Monday _____ Pick Up on Thursday

Options:

- _____ \$500 Youth Farm CSA share
- _____ \$500 Youth Farm CSA share, plus a \$50 donation
- _____ \$500 Youth Farm CSA share, plus a \$100 donation
- _____ \$500 Youth Farm CSA share plus a \$200 donation
- _____ \$500 Youth farm CSA share plus a \$400 donation

Payment:

With this form please include a \$100 deposit.

Upon the event that you need to cancel your CSA membership, we will only be able to offer a refund if the cancellation occurs no less than one month before the first CSA pickup day, and we are able to re-sell the share at full price.

You are encouraged to pay in full at this time. Full payment must be completed by July 31st.

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ (min. \$100 deposit required)

Remaining Due: \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please make checks payable to Garden City Harvest. Please return the completed form **by February 15th, 2011** with your deposit or full payment to:

Garden City Harvest
P.O. Box 205
Missoula, MT 59806

Your gift at work

In addition to your CSA share payment, consider a tax-deductible donation to support our programs.

\$400 supports a local group home with an *entire* season of fresh veggies

\$200 feeds one group home with 9 weeks of fresh vegetables

\$100 supports ten families for a week with fresh vegetables through our Mobile Market, where we bring the market to folks in the community with limited access to healthy food

\$50 feeds our Youth Farm Crew ten lunches that they prepare daily, learning the skills of cooking and eating fresh food

* The group homes we supply with veggies are Youth Homes 7 group homes, Mountain Home, Watson Children's Shelter and the YWCA, and we sell food at a greatly reduced price at Council Grove Apartments, in a low-income housing complex with 200 residents, 50 of whom are under the age of 5.