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"I have never had so many good ideas day after day as when I worked in the garden."
--John Erskine

"To forget how to dig the earth and to tend the soil is to forget ourselves."
--Mohandas K. Gandhi

"You can bury a lot of troubles digging in the dirt" --Unknown

Community

The McKinley neighborhood in North Minneapolis is bound on the north by Dowling Ave, on the south by Lowry Ave, on the west by Dupont Ave and on the east by the Mississippi River. You don't have to live in the McKinley neighborhood to be a part of our community. We recognize that what happens across the street, across town or across the region has a real and direct impact on our quality of life.

Supported

Support food grown locally: keep your money where you live, reduce the environmental costs of distribution. Support farming without the use of synthetic fertilizers or pesticides: keep our ground water clean, prevent the development of super pests, eliminate the use of known carcinogens. Support the greening of our cities. Plants make health: they clean the air, they clean the soil, they clean your body.

Agriculture

We need to simplify how we feed ourselves; the model of huge corporate farms with acres upon acres of genetically modified monoculture crops has weakened the health of our planet and our bodies. Planting a seed has become a radical act. Join us in making this most basic miracle commonplace again.

Growing on the Northside



McKinley
Community
CSA

Become a Founding Member!!! Space is Limited Don't Delay.

What will I receive?

- Seventeen weeks of organically grown produce, about one grocery sack full every week is a reasonable expectation. We anticipate our season running from mid June until the beginning of October. However, part of being CSA member is sharing in the risk of any crop failures. There are no guarantees; the season may be longer or shorter than expected. Plan on shares being lighter at the beginning of the season and heavier at peak season.
- A newsletter with updates on the growing season, recipe ideas, organic gardening tips, fun facts and interesting trivia.
- Attendance to the end of the season Harvest Supper and at least one (hopefully more) In Garden Event, such as how to build a solar food dryer. We hope to get feedback from our members as to what types of events would interest them most.
- An open invitation to stop by the garden any time.

Where can I pick up my share?

- Our garden is located at City View Community School - 3350 North 4th Street. Pick up will be available at the garden on a specific day of the week, probably Saturday or Sunday. The day of the week will be consistent throughout the season but will be determined by what is most convenient for the majority of shareholders. Since this is our inaugural year, we don't yet know all of the wonderful people partnering with us. If several members are within close proximity to each other an alternative drop-off site may be formed.

What will you grow?

- Peas - shelling & snap, Lettuces, Radishes, Onions, Swiss Chard, Summer & Winter Squash, Eggplant, Potatoes, Brussel Sprouts, Tomatoes, Peppers - sweet & hot, Pak Choi, Australian Spinach, Melons, Green Beans, Broccoli, Cucumbers, Beets, Flowers and Herbs. This is not an all inclusive list but hopefully will give you an idea as to the variety of crops we will grow.

What's with the amazing price? Can I get this same price next year?

- We are offering this very low price because it is our first growing season. We know we will learn a lot this year and appreciate the faith of our founding members. Full shares at established CSA's are worth every penny. We anticipate offering a continuing discount to our original shareholders but this inaugural price is not sustainable.

CSA stands for Community Supported Agriculture. Farmers direct market their crops by selling shares of the harvest prior to the growing season. Share holders take an equal risk with the grower which is off- set by supporting a transparent and sustainable food system. (And lots of yummy food)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE# _____

EMAIL _____

I am becoming a founding member of McKinley Community CSA! Enclosed is my payment of \$375.00 for a full share of the 2010 harvest.

I cannot become a member for the 2010 season but I would love to hear about your continuing work & In Garden Events. Please keep me updated.

MAIL YOUR PAYMENT TO:

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MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55412

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

McKinley Community
(Please do not send cash in the mail)

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PAY IN
INSTALLMENTS OR HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS – CONTACT US @

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