



2013 CITY COMMONS CSA

Community Supported Agriculture is a fantastic way for people who care about local food, sustainable agriculture and revitalizing the local economy to get directly involved in making it a reality. CSA members support the farms by investing in them at the beginning of the season. Members receive boxes with a variety of farm fresh goodies every week during the growing season. City Commons is a cooperative urban CSA started in 2012; the produce you receive is all grown in Detroit at five market gardens located throughout the city. The food you receive each week has been grown using sustainable methods, meaning that we do not use synthetic pesticides or fertilizers.

Produce for City Commons CSA is grown by many farmers: Chris McGrane grows food on the east side of Detroit. Ryan Harroun and Elizabeth Phillips found their shared passion for farming along myriad paths and have teamed up to run Vinewood Knoll Farm in Southwest Detroit. Alice Bagley has been farming for five years and runs Fields of Plenty where she moves her plants and produce all over Detroit by bicycle. Emily and Meg have traveled the world in search of good eats, only to find that they can grow the freshest food right in their own neighborhood at Singing Tree Garden, uptown Detroit. Minehaha Forman was raised on a subsistence farm in Belize, Central America and feels right at home farming in Detroit.

Joining City Commons CSA is a “win-win” proposition! Consider these facts:

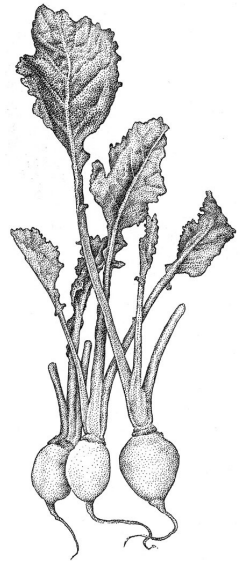
Good for you:

- The best and the freshest of our weekly harvest is reserved for our CSA members’ shares
- Healthy for you and good for the environment -- All our produce is grown with organic fertilizer, natural pest control and lots of care for the land
- Explore new vegetables, get weekly recipes and a newsletter
- Great deals -- CSA members will be first in line for additional, special offers

Good for the Farm:

Your participation helps us...

- Spend more time growing great food, and spend less time marketing
- Try new varieties – providing new and unusual treats for your culinary and visual enjoyment
- Provide a local food option for the Detroit Metro area



What you should know before you join:

City Commons CSA membership helps you to share in the risks and the rewards of the farm.

Sharing the rewards means a huge array of sizes, shapes, and colors of produce, some you may have never tried before. A weekly newsletter will accompany your share, including recipes, information, and suggestions to get your creative juices flowing and help you enjoy your farm wealth to the maximum. CSA members will be first in line for produce as it comes ripe and with five farms there is plenty of variety. You can see what the 2012 boxes looked like by visiting our website.

Sharing the risks means that the diversity (and, for some vegetables, quantity) of your weekly share may vary depending on growing conditions. If we get an infestation of squash bugs, there may not be as much zucchini as we'd like, or an early frost may mean a shortened tomato season. Because we grow a large variety of vegetables and flowers, a bad pepper year can be a fantastic cucumber year - and a boring July can easily give way to a blockbuster August.

Logistics

- Members can sign up for a Tuesday or Saturday pickup. Tuesday pickups will be at Vinewood Knoll (1130 Vinewood in SW Detroit) from 4-7 PM. On Saturdays members can pick up either at Vinewood Knoll or 10844 Elgin in Huntington Woods from 10 AM- 1 PM.
- For pricing and further details see other side for sign-up form.

Thank you for your interest and support of local sustainable agriculture!

Please call Chris McGrane at 734-788-2109 or e-mail citycommonscsa@gmail.com or visit our website at <http://citycommonscsa.wordpress.com> if you have any questions about CSA, City Commons or any of the farms involved.

-- Chris McGrane, Elizabeth Phillips, Alice Bagley, Minehaha Forman, Meg Marotte, Emily Brent, Ryan Harroun and the rest of the farm crew

CSA Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Would you rather be contacted by phone or e-mail? (circle one)

Pick up day/location:

- Tuesday at Vinewood Knoll from 4-7 pm(1130 Vinewood in SW Detroit)
- Saturday at Vinewood Knoll from 10 am-1 pm
- Saturday at 10844 Elgin Ave; Huntington Woods, MI from 10 am-1 pm

Share Options:

Product	Price	Quantity	Subtotal
Full Produce Share (20 weeks): Receive a box of the freshest and best of our weekly harvest of vegetables June 15- October 29.	\$400		
Half Produce Share (10 weeks): Receive a box of produce every other week June 15- October 29 (we'll contact you with dates by June 1). Great for couples or small families.	\$200		
Flower Share (16 weeks for full, 8 weeks for half): Get a bouquet of farm fresh flowers with your box July 13- October 29. Last couple bouquets will be dried flowers.	\$96 or \$48		
Storage Share: Get an extra box of storage vegetables at the last CSA pickup. Root vegetables, winter squash, canned goods and more	\$50		
Thanksgiving Share: Get extra potatoes, root vegetables, greens, dried flowers and more the Saturday before Thanksgiving.	\$50		
Payment in full discount: If you pay for your entire share up front take \$25 off for a full share or \$10 off for a half share	-\$25 or -\$10		
Delivery Fee: If you cannot pick up your share you may sign up for \$40/week delivery.	\$800 or \$400		
Total			

Referred by:

Please let us know if someone referred you to us, we'll give them \$20 off their share for every person referred.

Half of payment is due with registration, the rest is due by June 15, 2013. If you sign up on June 15 or later you must pay the full amount. Registrations will be accepted until CSA is full. Sign up today to guarantee a spot! If you would like to be a part of the CSA, but do not think that this payment plan will work for you or would like to work out a work-trade arrangement please contact us and we can work out an alternative payment plan or figure out a way for you to work at a farm for all or part of your share.

Total Enclosed: _____ Check #: _____ Date: _____

Checks should be made payable to Buffalo Street Farm

Please complete this registration form and send it with payment to:

Buffalo Street Farm
13703 Buffalo St
 Detroit MI, 48212

Thank you!