



SEED LIBRARY



IN THE BEGINNING

The seed library began the summer of 2018 with donations from Baker Creek Heirloom, Seed Savers Exchange, and High Mowing Organic Seeds. The purpose is to provide free garden seeds for anyone in our library district. Anyone who takes seeds is asked to either share their harvested seeds in the fall or to bring in seeds to help keep our library stocked.

HOW IT WORKS

BORROW:

Take up to 5 seed packets per week

Make a mark for our records

Take any guides offered, browse the gardening books, or visit our online resources for additional tips and tricks

GROW:

Plant your seeds and watch them grow

SAVE:

Save your seeds: harvest when seeds are mature, dry, and store for next season

Seed saving guides are available

RETURN:

You are invited to return some of your saved seeds to the library to be shared with the community again next season.

Make sure to carefully follow seed-saving guidelines for particular varieties.

Click here for more seed saving information or contact a librarian at (309) 697-3822 ext.13 or alpha@alphapark.org or visit us at 3527 S. Airport Rd., Bartonville, IL.





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MORE RESOURCES



Free manuals at www.savingourseeds.org/

The Organic Seed Alliance www.seedalliance.org/

The Seed Savers Exchange www.exchange.seedsavers.org/

The Grassroots Seed Network www.grassrootsseednetwork.org/

Growseed.org <http://growseed.org/GenerationtoGeneration.pdf>

Seed Savers Alliance <http://www.seedsaversalliance.org/start-saving-seeds.html>

HOW TO SAVE SEEDS

<https://www.seedsavers.org/how-to-save-seeds>

http://www.seedsave.org/issi/issi_904.html

<https://www.rodalorganicle.com/garden/guide-to-seed-saving>

<https://extension.illinois.edu/hortihints/0008c.html>

<http://www.lifelab.org/2012/08/seed-saving/>

<http://www.southernexposure.com/growing-guides-library-ezp-41.html>

SEED SAVING CHARTS

<https://www.seedsavers.org/seed-saving-chart>

<http://www.southernexposure.com/growing-guides/saving-seeds-home-use.pdf>

VIDEOS

SSEHeritageFarm: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ngWoeOwkolM>

Charles Dowding: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZVb9JIAXjxU>

USDA Seed Saving: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kYHhwvRWCVI>