



Community Garden Workshop

Saturday, February 25, 2012

At Crabtree Farms

Workshop Details:

Crabtree Farms offered a Community Garden Workshop in February 2009, 2010 and 2011 to educate community garden groups ready to start their gardens. Building on the workshops of the past three years, Crabtree's 2012 Community Garden Workshop will be one-day only and will deliver the most valuable information to new community gardeners in a multi-media and exploratory way.

The workshop will include lecture time, discussions, a powerpoint presentation, an up-close look at spring vegetable seedlings, brainstorming, hands-on building raised beds and fun "how-to" video clips. The workshop is designed to inspire, educate and empower individuals and groups ready to start a community garden project.

Workshop Fee:

Sliding scale \$50-\$100, depending on financial ability.

Hear what previous Community Garden Workshop participants had to say:

what did you like most about the workshop?

- "The opportunity to network with like-minded folks and the vast amount of information"
- "I liked EVERYTHING! It was a very constructive learning environment."
- "Thank you for this great opportunity! It has been invaluable!"
- "It was one of the most informative things I've done in a while. It was definitely helpful to all skill levels, regardless of gardening experience. All questions were treated equally and respectfully which really helped the interactive learning experience."
- "Top notch workshop! Great staff who were very knowledgeable; very warm and welcoming people. Loved it!"
- "Thank you so much. Y'all did great work. Melanie, you saved the day by suggesting that we do soil test for lead. Joel, thank you for all your interpretation help. Appreciate you both and great resources on the email."

2012 Community Garden Start-Up Workshop

Instructors: Joel Houser, Melanie Mayo

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Time	Topics
8:00-8:15	Breakfast served (provided by Crabtree Farms)
8:15 – 8:45	Introductions & Project Discussion
8:45-9:00	VIDEO: Steps to Starting a Community Garden
9:00-9:30	Begin with community!
9:30-10:00	Land & Material Considerations (tools, materials, water, sun & soil)
10:00-10:10	VIDEO: Inspiring Community Garden Story
10:10-10:40	Organization & Problem-Solving
10:40-11:00	Community Garden BRAINSTORMING
11:00-11:10	Break
11:10-11:30	Fundraising, Donations & Security
11:30-11:40	VIDEO: Composting
11:40-12:15	Planning the Garden: Beds/Plots, Water Catchement, Composting
12:15-1:30	Lunch Break
1:30-2:45	Vegetable Gardening 101
2:45-3:30	Raised Bed Construction
3:30-4:00	Get a hands-on look at growing spring vegetables at Crabtree
4:00-4:30	Question & Answer /Discussion
4:30-5:00	Information Exchange and Wrap-Up