



SEED BORROWING PROCEDURE

- 1. Fill out a registration form.
- 2. Choose your seeds. You may borrow as many packets as you think you will use this season.
- 3. Please remember the **Community Seed Connection** is not intended to be your complete source of seeds for your entire garden.
- 4. Take seeds from any category, even if you are a new gardener or a new seed-saver.
- 5. Record your choices on the back of your registration form and give it to the front desk.
- 6. Grow your plants! If you have any questions during the growing season, look at the many resources in this binder. You can take pictures of them with your phone or make photocopies black and white copies are 10 cents each and color copies are 25 cents. They will also be available on our website. www.chesterspringslibrary.org

SEED RETURN PROCEDURE

- 1. Harvest your seeds. Resources for seed saving are in the binder and online resources are listed in the bibliography located in the binder.
- 2. Be sure to dry seeds thoroughly and store them in a cool, dry, dark place.
- 3. Save some seeds for yourself and return some seeds from your harvest to the library in a sealed paper envelope with as much information as you can. Example plant name, variety, and year of harvest
- 4. Record this information on the back of your registration form.
- 5. Returning seeds is not required, but it will keep our **Community Seed Connection** sustainable. Please try to return more seeds than you borrowed, and only return seed that you are confident was not cross-pollinated. Resources are available in the binder.
- 6. If you cannot return seeds, please consider donating 1 or 2 packs of open-pollinated, non-GMO, non-hybrid seeds. Check the seed packet for this information.

Thank you for participating and happy gardening!