

# 2018 Urban Farm CSA Agreement

### Please read this agreement carefully before signing up for our CSA Program.

This Community Supported Agriculture ("CSA") Agreement ("Agreement") governs the terms and conditions of the relationship between Grow It Green Morristown ("the Farmer") and the CSA Member ("Member".)

### I. Terms of the Agreement

The terms of the Agreement between Member and Farmer are contained within this agreement. The Member receives a full share or half share of produce for 5 months. Shares will be distributed on Thursdays from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm and Saturdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, June through the end of October.

## II. Philosophy of this CSA

Community Supported Agriculture is a relationship beyond a simple exchange of non-certified organic produce for cash. It is based on mutual respect between CSA members and the farm community. It is very important that Members be mindful of the following:

- A) The Farmer relies on income from the CSA to operate the farm.
- B) The Farmer plants and tends crops for months before the Member sees them in their shares. Each share represents the work and attention to detail of dozens of people to seed, transplant, weed, grow and harvest your prepaid shares.

#### **III. Farmer Responsibilities**

In accordance with the above described philosophy, the Farmer works dutifully and in good faith to bring the Member the freshest produce possible.

# IV. Member Responsibilities

To receive the freshest produce possible from the Farmer and with recognition that your share will be available to you as agreed upon, it is important that the Member pick up their share on their appointed day and time.

## **V. Abandoned Shares**

It is our policy that any abandoned shares will be donated by 9:00 am the following Tuesday, unless members have contacted us and received confirmation to pick up at another time.

#### VI. Vacation Hold

A) When members cannot pick up a share, we encourage them to gift their share to their family or friends. This is a great way for members to share the CSA experience. Please explain to your family or friends how to pick up your share, the day and time of pick up. Members may also notify the farm if they would prefer to donate their week's share. Please notify the CSA coordinator via email at Farmershaun@growitgreenmorristown.org.

#### VII. Risk

As stated above in Paragraph II, one aspect of a CSA is that Members support their Farmer. To do so, the Members share in the inherent risks of agriculture (poor weather, drought, disease, early frost, crop failure and so on) and rewards (the bounty from a good season). Farmer purposefully plans for such contingencies and use growing techniques that protect the harvest, minimize risk to members and optimize the rewards: growing a wide variety of crops, cover cropping, crop rotation and irrigation.

In the extremely unlikely event that severe weather, disease/insect damage, or other natural disaster results in a level of crop destruction that prevents the farm from continuing its weekly distributions, Farmer will notify member immediately via e-mail and will communicate via e-mail frequently with the Member to ensure that the Member is apprised of any potential disruption to their service. Member assumes the risk should Farmer be unable to provide a portion of the Member's shares due to any inherent risk of farming.

HAZARDS ON THE FARM: I understand that although Grow It Green Morristown strives to make the site safe for visitors, there may be hazards. Hazards include uneven ground, sharp objects, farm equipment, etc. I agree not to hold the farmland owners, the farmers, or Grow It Green Morristown liable for any injury that might occur at the farm.

### VIII. Communication

Please reach us by email at <a href="mailto:farmershaun@growitgreenmorristown.org">farmershaun@growitgreenmorristown.org</a>, or by phone 973-936-9180.

Please retain a copy of this document for future reference.