

# SEED Instructions

*Ashtabula County Community Seed Library*

**Please only take seed you expect to plant this year.**

**Here are empty envelopes and pens.**

**Portion out your own seed – please do not take all of one seed** (unless there's only a few left)

## **Please donate seed!**

Our little community seed library is quite popular! Please contribute to this shared community resource, and donate seed to the library! We will take *any* seed.

**→ Donations are taken at the front desk.**



### **Save Your Seeds!**

We highly encourage you to save the seed of your garden plants this year, and donate some of that seed back to the library. Part of our purpose is to build up locally resilient plant genetics!

If you don't know how to save seed, it's easy to learn! There are books, websites, and handouts. Ask a librarian for direction. AND, Red Beet Row, an education farm in Jefferson, teaches hands-on seed-saving classes. See website for online seed saving information, classes, and the Seed Library webpage: [www.redbeetrow.com](http://www.redbeetrow.com)



### **About the Seed Library:**

Local gardening volunteers manage the Seed Library. We offer vegetable, herb, and flower seeds to the public in an attempt to: 1. make fresh food more available, and 2. build up a local community seed stock. Anyone is welcome to take seeds out from the library and plant them at home. Take as much seed as you think you will use. You don't need to register. Just take seeds.

#### How seeds are cataloged on the shelf

1. "Herbs & Flowers" are grouped separate. The rest are common vegetable families: "Squash Family," "Carrot Family," etc. Seeds that are not in these families are found under "Misc."
2. Within each family, the seeds are alphabetical by Common Name. All "Peppers" are together, all "Kales" are together, etc.

### **Join our Contact List!**

Get updates from seed library volunteers. Join us – get involved – help us keep up the seed library! Talk to the front desk.

