

The Sustainable Oakland Green Team's

OAKLAND SEED BANK



BORROW



GROW



SAVE



RETURN



WHAT IS A SEED BANK

Seed banks provide a healthy source of native seed should something happen to natural sources. There are national seed banks dedicated to preserving a population's wild species and community seed banks, which store native and heirloom seeds.

Oakland's Seed Bank will have seeds from both local native plants collected and donated, as well as seeds from Bakers Creek, Botanical Interests, High Mowing and Hudson Valley Seed Company. Using native and heirloom seeds provides diversity in types of plants and a higher tolerance to seasonal conditions producing a greater success rate.



HOW IT WORKS

Oakland Residents with a valid Library BCCLS Card, may "check out" seed packets. While there is no "due date" for return, participants will still register when checking out to ensure fair distribution of the limited quantity of available seeds.

*Keep the seed envelopes to "Save Seeds" from your harvest! You do not need to donate seeds to take seeds out. Though we do encourage saving some seeds to donate back to the Seed Bank!



HOW DO I SELECT SEEDS

The Oakland library has an "album" of the available seeds (*at the front circulation desk*) and each available option is numbered. Find the number and register on the sign out sheet.

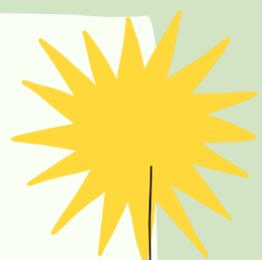
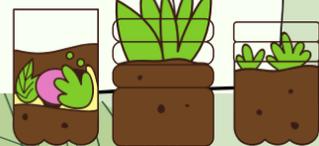
*Maximum (3) seed packets per resident and (10) packets for Garden Plot holders.



GROW YOUR SEEDS

Bring your seeds home, plant, water, fertilize, tend and GROW!
Upon Harvest, enjoy the fruits of your labor!

*Remember to SAVE THE SEEDS!



RETURN & BANK SEEDS

Take the seeds from the healthiest most productive plants. Rinse the seeds, once they are gel-free, it's the time to dry them. Either store in the original seed envelope or mark another envelope with the seed information and drop off at the library.

*Note hybrid varieties will not produce the same plant



Questions?

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