Seed St. Louis Network Garden Resources



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Quick Resource Guide

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Program Services

Garden Expansion

garden@seedstl.org | ext. 104

Seed St. Louis Network Gardens may request discounted garden supplies through our Spring and Fall Expansion Grants; items include raised beds, soil, compost, garden tools, picnic tables, compost bins, and orchard plants (at a 25% cost-share; scholarships are available.) Gardens are eligible to apply for an expansion once every two years. To be eligible, you must also complete the annual survey that we send out to all network gardens. Spring applications: mid-November to early-January. Fall applications: mid-May to late-June. Products and amounts awarded will vary based on demand and budget restrictions.

Orchard Expansion _____

orchard@seedstl.org | ext. 108

Seed St. Louis Network Gardens and Orchards are eligible to request food-producing trees, shrubs, canes, and vines. Applications are available at the same time as garden expansions.

Consultation & Support Request _____

Community Garden | education@seedstl.org | ext. 108 School Garden | school@seedstl.org | ext. 114

If your school or community garden would benefit from a consultation, please call or email to schedule an appointment. We are available to help you accomplish your garden and community goals.

Adult Education Services

Gardening Classes _

Community Garden | education@seedstl.org | ext. 108 - School Garden | school@seedstl.org | ext. 114

Current Classes: seedstl.org/classes | Recorded Classes: youtube.com/SeedStLouis

Seed St. Louis offers classes on various garden, education, and orchard-related topics throughout the year. These vary between virtual and in-person classes. Additional classes are conducted at St. Louis County Libraries throughout the year. All classes are free and open to the public. Further information is available in our newsletter, social media, and website.

School & Youth Garden Services

On-Site Gardening Classes

Community Garden | education@seedstl.org | ext. 108 - School Garden | school@seedstl.org | ext. 114 Seed St. Louis Network Gardens may request a garden-based class/lesson to be taught at your program site. Based upon availability.

Seed to STEM Curriculum

school@seedstl.org | ext. 114 | seedstl.org/seed-to-stem-curriculum/

Seed St. Louis offers a "Seed to STEM" curriculum for grades K-5. This program emphasizes life science topics and builds connections between nature, food, and the school community. Curriculum aligns with NGSS and MySci Lessons; lesson plans and accompanying journal pages are available online.

On-Site Professional Development ___

school@seedstl.org | ext. 114 | seedstl.org/invite-an-educator-to-your-school/

Seed St. Louis offers free professional development workshops for educators of school and youth programs. There is a minimum requirement of ten participants to schedule.

School Garden Contests _____

school@seedstl.org | ext. 114 | seedstl.org/school-contests/

Seed St. Louis annually hosts two contests for the youth & school gardens in our network. The contests include the "First Peas to the Table Contest" and the "Sweet Potato Challenge." Participants will receive free pea seeds, sweet potato slips, and a contest sign when they enroll. Additional sweet potato slips and pea seeds will be available for purchase. The pea contest registration opens in January, and the sweet potato contest registration begins in March. The exact contest dates and details will be announced via social media and email newsletter.

Garden Resources

Seedling Plants

Community Garden | outreach@seedstl.org | ext. 110 - School Garden | school@seedstl.org | ext. 114 Seed St. Louis offers reduced-cost seedlings in the spring, summer, and fall. School gardens are eligible to receive a limited number of free seedlings. The online pre-order process information typically opens in mid-January for the spring and summer sales and in July for the fall sale. The exact dates will be sent via email to garden leaders. School & Youth Gardens will receive a discount code by email to use to secure a limited number of free seedlings.

Seed Packets

Community Garden | outreach@seedstl.org | ext. 110 | <u>seedstl.square.site</u> School Garden | school@seedstl.org | ext. 114

Seed St. Louis sells seed packets at discounted prices through our online store. Vegetable, herb, and flower seed packets are available for \$0.25. We also offer a specially selected variety of seeds that have been tested and grow well in our climate for \$1.50. Youth gardens are eligible to receive a limited number of free seed packets annually.

Seed St. Louis Store

outreach@seedstl.org | ext. 110 | seedstl.square.site

The Seed St. Louis store sells recommended Seed St. Louis products, including organic sprays, powders, traps, insect netting, row covers, Build-A-Beds, and select seeds. The store is open 24/7 online. All orders are for in-person pickup only.

Orchard Supplies _____

orchard@seedstl.org | ext. 108

Limb spreaders and trunk wraps are available for Giving Grove Orchards to care for their trees, free of charge for pickup. Those from the general public can purchase them through our online store.

Garden Resources Continued

Compost & Mulch

Compost and wood mulch are available for free pick-up to any city resident, courtesy of St. Louis City's Forestry Division, at the following locations:

- · Bell & Vandeventer, Ward 18 Next to the Gateway Greening Demonstration Garden
- · 9th & Barton, Ward 7
- · Geyer & Ohio, Ward 6 On Geyer, west of Ohio
- · Chippewa & Oregon, Ward 20 NE corner
- · Park & Dolman, Ward 6 On Dolman, south of Park
- · Carondelet Park, Ward 13 East end of the park off Holly Hills and west of the YMCA
- · Hickory Park, Ward 2 Conduit Drive

St. Louis City's Forestry Division will deliver compost, mulch, and tree stumps to St. Louis City school gardens. To schedule a delivery for your school garden, please call (314) 613-7200 or contact the Forestry Division at (314) 613-7100.

Other Garden Supplies _

5-gallon buckets: Food-grade buckets are often available through the bakery department at your local grocery store, and most will give them away for free. One store we are aware of is Straub's; call ahead to reserve buckets. Phone: (314) 725-2121, Address: 8282 Forsyth Blvd, Clayton, MO 63105

Burlap Sacks - Free, used burlap coffee sacks for weed suppression are available from Ronnoco Coffee Company on Fridays at noon at their dock. Phone: (314) 371-5050, Address: 318 S. Boyle Ave, St. Louis, MO, 63110

Networking & Other Resources

Master Gardeners and Individual Volunteers

volunteer@seedstl.org | ext. 118 | seedstl.org/volunteer

Are you a Master Gardener (or a gardening pro) looking to make a difference in the community while earning your hours? Allow us to partner you up with one of our network community gardens or school gardens that are in need of some extra support. Get signed up as an ongoing volunteer and see how much you can help us grow.

Volunteer Groups

volunteer@seedstl.org | ext. 118 | seedstl.org/volunteer

Seed St. Louis works with corporations, universities, and other groups looking for community volunteer opportunities. Group sizes range from just a few people to 50+ people. We partner these groups with gardens in our network. If your garden is interested in hosting a volunteer group, a leader from your garden must attend a Garden Leader Training. The Garden Leader Training reviews volunteer management and Seed St. Louis policies. Visit our Volunteer page on the website to schedule a Garden Leader Training session or request a volunteer group for your garden.

Meet-ups, Networking Events, & Happy Hours _____

volunteer@seedstl.org | ext. 118

Meet fellow gardeners, share resources, swap garden materials, and tour other community and school gardens. These events range from volunteering in a local garden to sharing gardening stories over a happy hour at a brewery. Specific dates and locations will be announced via social media and email newsletters.

Support Seed St. Louis or Host a Fundraiser

development@seedstl.org | ext. 103 | seedstl.org/support-us/

Seed St. Louis has been connecting people to the land, to their food, and to each other since 1984. This is only possible because of generous donors who believe in our mission. To make an online donation, visit our website. Call or email if you are interested in donating in-kind gardening products or services. If you are interested in hosting a fundraising event that benefits Seed St. Louis, call for more details.