

# CRABTREE FARMS



## COMMUNITY GARDEN WORKSHARE PROGRAM

The Work Share program gives individuals a chance to “pay” their fees for a Community Garden plot by working on the farm.

A Community Garden plot requires 24 hours of volunteering to cover the \$80 fee.

This work is considered volunteer time. You may volunteer anytime during the 2007 Season, May-November, to complete your Work Share hours.

### **Scheduling your Work Share Hours**

Work Share volunteering must be scheduled with the volunteer coordinator, Sarah Malone. Volunteers work with staff on the farm, and the staff must prepare when volunteers are coming. Randomly showing up to volunteer is not acceptable.

### **Volunteering Options**

There are many volunteering opportunities available throughout the season: Urban Farm activities such as planting and harvesting, greenhouse work, office work, special events help, skilled labor and plant sale help. We can find volunteer work that suits you.

### **Volunteer Email**

You will receive a monthly volunteer email highlighting specific volunteering opportunities that you can sign-up for. Any volunteer activity counts towards your Work Share hours. This email is also a friendly reminder of your commitment to volunteer.

### **Tracking your Work Share Hours**

To track your hours, please sign-in and sign out every time you volunteer. At the volunteer desk is a “Sign-In” notebook with a special section for Work Share volunteers. You will have your own page to log your hours. We suggest completing at least half of your Work Share hours by August 15<sup>th</sup>, which is halfway through the season.

### **Uncompleted Work Share Hours**

A deposit of the full fee is required to participate in workshare. Once your hours are completed, you will be refunded the deposit. This way if you are unable to complete your Work Share commitment, you have already paid for your program fees.

Work Share volunteers can expect to be treated fairly and respectfully, and to have a great time on the farm. We ask that you review our **Volunteer Manual** to understand what is expected of you.

To volunteer for your WORKSHARE hours, contact Sarah Malone  
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