



BRR ALLIANCE INC.
Building Bridges to a Brilliant Future

Garden Patch

GrassRoots Gardens Application for New Gardens being accepted !

GrassRoots Gardens is accepting applications for more community gardens. If anyone is interested please contact us at info@brralliance.org. We will be happy to assist any groups of willing individuals work through the process. We would like nothing more than to have one or two more gardens in our neighborhood this year.

BRRAlliance WebSite goes live!

Please check out the community garden section of the BRRAlliance.org website. We hope to have this be a big part of the gardening scene in the Black Rock, Riverside, Grant Amherst and West Hertel Neighborhoods. We will be posting our old newsletters and information on this website on a regular basis. Please make us one of your favorites.

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Sunflowers do not just come in yellow anymore. The varieties are just beautiful

Newsletter Spotlight

GrassRootsGardens are accepting applications if you are interested in a community garden please contact us.

Saving your Tomato, Beans, Peas and Pepper Seeds Through the Winter



All our garden residents go indoors for the winter.

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THANKS TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA EXTENSION

Saving tomato seeds is easy. Allow fruits to ripen fully and scoop out the seeds, along with the gel surrounding them, before you eat or cook the tomatoes. Put the seeds and gel in a glass jar with some water. Stir or swirl the mixture twice a day. The seeds should sink to the bottom within five days. Pour off the liquid, rinse the seeds and spread them out to dry on paper towels.

Saving pepper seeds is even easier. Allow some fruits to stay on the plants until they become fully ripe and start to wrinkle. Remove the seeds from the peppers and spread them out to dry.

Save pea and bean seeds by allowing the pods to ripen on the plants until they're dry and starting to turn brown, with the seeds rattling inside. This may be as long as a month after you would normally harvest the peas or beans to eat. Strip the pods from the plants and spread them out to dry indoors. They should dry at least two weeks before shelling, or you can leave the seeds in the pods until planting time.