

ABOUT THE SHARES

Common Ground shares are filled with fresh vegetables, herbs, and occasionally fresh cut flowers. To avoid competition with local Vermont farms, our shares are only sold to the UVM community.

The **Regular** share will feed 2-3 people, depending on their vegetable consumption habits. Our season begins in June and runs till mid September.

If you don't want a share but would like to support Common Ground, you can **donate a share to a local food shelf** or to the **student farm**.



Benefits of having a Common Ground Share

Support hands-on farming for students

Receive healthy, fresh, and locally grown produce

Support organic agriculture

Create a positive relationship between UVM and Burlington via local hunger relief organizations

Experience new vegetable varieties as well as old favorites

Pick-Your-Own vegetable opportunities

2007 shares will be picked up by shareholders at the UVM Hort. Farm. The farm is located on Green Mt. Drive/IDX Drive, off of Shelburne Road in South Burlington (behind GE Healthcare, the old IDX)

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COMMON GROUND

Student-Run
Educational Farm



2007 Shareholders Brochure

Questions? Contact the farm manager:

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ABOUT COMMON GROUND

Common Ground is a non-profit club dedicated to farming. We are recognized by UVM's SGA and consist of students eager to learn about sustainable farming practices. Currently we follow a CSA (community supported agriculture) model.

During the school year and summer, students...

- Learn how to grow organic vegetables on a commercial scale.
- Become familiar with different vegetables, crop scheduling, harvesting, working as a team, and distributing produce to CSA members.
- Support their community by donating food to organizations like Chittenden County Emergency Food Shelf.
- Show appreciation for Common Ground supporters by providing nutritious, fresh produce to share holders.

Harvest Schedule

This is our tentative harvest schedule: availability and harvest dates may vary due to weather changes and other unforeseen events.

June

Many varieties of lettuce and salad greens, radishes, scallions, sugar-snap peas, spinach, and collards. Ornamental bedding plants may also be available.

July

Salad greens, baby beets, swiss chard, cucumbers, summer squash, scallions, broccoli, beans, herbs, flowers, zucchini

August

Along with some of the July produce comes tomatoes, melons, sweet corn, potatoes, cabbage, sweet peppers, flowers, onions, eggplant, kale, hot peppers

September

Winter squash, onions, potatoes, carrots, beets, turnips, and carving pumpkins



Sign-up Form

Name

Address

Phone

Membership Status (choose one):

- Regular Share (14 weeks) - \$250
- Donation of Share to local food shelf - \$250
- Donation of \$_____ to support our farm

Total enclosed \$_____

Share Pick Up:

- All shares are to be picked up **at the farm**.
- Pick up day: Wednesdays, 12pm – 6pm

Membership Contract:

In exchange for my membership fee, the common Ground Student-Run Education Farm will act in good faith to provide me with one half bag of fresh produce for the time period specified by my membership option. I understand that crop selection and quantities are estimates and that the actual harvest may vary from expectations.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please detach and return with payment to:

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