

TROY COMMUNITY FARM CSA

We have been growing certified organic food on Madison's northside since 2001, and we are proud to be the city's first urban farm. Our production focus is on intensive hand-scale techniques that make the most of limited urban spaces. We also emphasize reduced fossil fuel inputs by growing starts in our passive solar greenhouse, cultivating with wheel hoes and hand hoes, and using carefully managed cover crops, mulch, and crop rotations to improve soil productivity.

Troy Community Farm is the heart of Troy Gardens, a unique 26-acre development that includes restored prairie, woodlands, trails, and community gardens, as well as our 5-acre farm. Members are welcome to visit and walk through Troy Gardens at any time. A self-guided tour brochure is available at the kiosk at the front of the land.

MEMBERSHIP

All our members receive a weekly newsletter with stories from the farm, details on what is included in the share each week, and recipes. All members also have free access to our CSA garden for u-pick flowers and herbs throughout the season, whether or not they are picking up a share that week.

The best way to judge both the variety and quantity included in our shares is to take a look at them! We have a collection of [share photos](#) and newsletters from the past seven years on our website.

A **STANDARD SHARE** is a weekly selection of vegetables designed to feel plentiful but not overwhelming to households that enjoy eating fresh vegetables. Each share has between 6 and 8 different vegetables in the early season (about a grocery bag full) and between 8 and 12 in the later part (generally requires a second bag). Our standard season includes 21 weekly shares. \$580

An **EVERY OTHER WEEK SHARE** includes the same selection and quantity of vegetables as the standard share, except that members only pick it up every other week. The season runs for 20 weeks and includes 10 shares. \$350

An **EGG SHARE** is available through Keene Organics. Their free range and pastured brown eggs have a dedicated following in Madison. While the eggs themselves are not yet certified, the chickens are raised from certified organic pullets and are fed only on certified organic pasture and grains without any medications. See the [Keene Organics website](#) for more information. Choose a weekly or biweekly dozen. Weekly \$90 / Biweekly \$45



Pick your own flowers and herbs from the CSA garden



CSA share from 21 July 2011

A **FOOD-TO-SHARE** helps low income families eat healthy and enjoy the farm. These monies fund part of another family's share in Troy Community Farm. The suggested price of a Food-to-Share is \$100, though all contributions are welcome and fully tax-deductible (receipt will be provided.)

The **ASPARAGUS TO ZUCCHINI** cookbook is available to all members at a reduced price. This cookbook is especially useful to those who are new to CSA, as it provides storage and handling tips as well as easy-to-use recipes. It is organized according to vegetable and provides a wealth of information to anyone who enjoys eating fresh, seasonal vegetables. \$15

SHARE PICKUP

Most of our members pick up at **TROY GARDENS** (500 Troy Drive) on the Northside of Madison. We set up a market style display where our farmers are present to answer questions throughout the pickup. Members pack their own shares from the display and often have choices about which specific varieties or even which types of vegetables go into their shares. Pickups for 2012 start on Thursday 31 May and end on Thursday 18 October. The pickup time is 4:00 to 6:30 PM. If members miss that time slot, pre-packed shares are available on our farmer's porch right down the road from the farm from 7:00 PM on Thursday to 6:00 AM on Friday.



Members picking up shares at Troy Gardens

In 2012 we will also have **WESTSIDE** pickup on the corner of North Prospect and Chadboune Avenues. This pickup site will be a more traditional style where members pickup pre-packed shares from the porch of one of our members. This pickup will be on Friday afternoons from 3:00 to 7:00 PM starting on 1 June and ending on 19 October.

WHY JOIN TROY COMMUNITY FARM?



CSA harvest crew, 2011

- Fresh, Madison-grown, certified organic produce
- Weekly Urban Roots CSA newsletter with farm stories, cooking tips, and recipes
- CSA flower and herb garden where members can harvest flower bouquets and fresh herbs all summer long at no extra cost
- Farm stand-type display where members select and pack their own vegetables from the weekly harvest
- Contact with the farmers and others who help grow the food at every pick-up
- Ability to purchase extras at our farm stand, open during every pick-up
- Custom order crops for canning, freezing, and end-of-season storage, including honey from our own Troy Community Farm bees

PAYMENT ASSISTANCE

HMO REBATES on the cost of a CSA share are available from several health insurance companies as part of their wellness programs. Visit the Madison Area CSA Coalition's [health insurance rebate](#) page to learn more.

The Madison Area CSA Coalition's **PARTNER SHARES PROGRAM** and our **FOOD-TO-SHARE FUND** provide matching funds towards the costs of CSA shares for families who may not otherwise have access. To find out if your household qualifies for these programs, visit the CSA Coalition's [partner shares](#) page or contact Gini at 608-226-0300.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TROY COMMUNITY FARM CSA
CONTACT OUR FARMER:

Claire Strader, claire@troygardens.org, 608-442-6760

TROY COMMUNITY FARM 2012 CSA MEMBERSHIP FORM

MEMBER INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

If you are submitting an HMO rebate, circle your provider.
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Sharing a share? Please include information for your share partner. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

If you are submitting an HMO rebate, circle your provider.
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*Each member will receive an e-mail confirmation and receipt for their portion of the share.
If you are submitting a rebate, please keep a copy of this form and your e-mail receipt to send to your insurance provider.*

SHARE SELECTION

STANDARD SHARE \$ _____
Fresh, organic vegetables every week for 21 weeks. \$580

EVERY OTHER WEEK SHARE \$ _____
Fresh, organic vegetables every other week over 20 weeks for a total of 10 shares. \$350

EGG SHARE \$ _____
Our eggs come from Keene Organics. Choose a weekly or biweekly dozen. Weekly \$90 / Biweekly \$45

FOOD-TO-SHARE \$ _____
Purchasing Food-to-Share helps fund the cost of vegetable shares for those who might not otherwise have access. The suggested price of a Food-to-Share is \$100, though all contributions are welcome and fully tax-deductible (receipt will be provided.)

A TO Z COOKBOOK \$ _____
Your copy of the *Asparagus to Zucchini* cookbook will come with your first share. \$15

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

PICKUP SITE SELECTION

TROY GARDENS _____
Pack your own share from our on-site market style display. Our farmers are present at every pickup. Thursdays, 4:00 to 6:30 PM, 500 Troy Drive.

WESTSIDE _____
Pick up a pre-packed share at a fellow member's house. Fridays, 3:00 to 7:00 PM, on the corner of North Prospect and Chadbourne Avenues.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

FULL PAYMENT
Enclose a check for the total due.

EXTENDED PAYMENTS
Enclose 4 checks dated today's date, May 1, June 1, and July 1. Each check should be made out for 1/4 the total due.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Contact Claire to find out more about the Food-to-Share assistance fund.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
Troy Community Farm
3601 Memorial Drive, Suite #4
Madison, WI 53704