

HCMGA

SEED COMMITTEE

EST. 2017



SEED LIBRARIES

- CCPL - Carmel Clay Public Library
Opened March 4, 2018
 - HEPL – Hamilton East Public Library
Opened March 2019 by Kathy Sassemann
 - LFSL – Little Free Seed Library Opened
March 2021 at the Fairgrounds
 - Open seasonally: March through
October
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Carmel Clay Public Library



Hamilton East Public Library



Carmel
Farmer's
Market
Victory
Garden Seed
Bundles





LFSL – Little Free Seed Library

- Contains seed donated by Master Gardeners & seed companies.
- QR Code contains resources on seed starting, succession planting among many other topics.

Built by Seed Committee Chair
Dennis Bean
Local Artist Madeline O'Hara

First Annual Seed Swap
January 27, 2018
(4th Saturday in
January)

Speakers
Seed Vendors
Merchant Vendors
Free Seed
Seed Saving Demonstrations
Local Food Vendors
Raffle Prizes
Kids Korner

Buy, Sell, Trade

Save the Date:
January 27, 2018

CENTRAL INDIANA SEED SWAP





BEST Choices

Your Own Saved Seed
Locally Grown Seeds
Open-Pollinated
Non-Hybrid
Heirloom
Organic
Certified Naturally Grown
Wild-crafted

Whenever possible, source your seeds first from the area where you live. Seed libraries, seed exchanges and local seed companies that actually grow the seeds they sell are ideal choices.

Support genetically diverse, sustainable, small scale, bio-regional agriculture.

GOOD Alternatives

Regionally Grown Seeds
Open-Pollinated
Non-Hybrid
Heirloom
Organic
Certified Naturally Grown
Wild-crafted
Organic Hybrid Seeds

If the diversity you seek is not found locally, source your seeds from regional seed companies and seed exchanges outside your area. Look first to regions with similar climates and similar latitudes. Look for companies dedicated to genetic diversity.

AVOID

Industrial (F1) Hybrid Seeds
Treated Seeds
GMO Seeds*
"Big-Box" Seed Rack Seeds
Industrially-Produced, "One-Size-Fits-All" Seeds from large corporate seed companies.

What about GMO?

GMO (genetically-modified organisms) seeds have been lab-engineered to contain genes from other life forms.

Central Indiana

**SEED
SWAP**

A close-up, slightly angled view of a green calendar page. The numbers 11 through 26 are visible in a grid pattern. A white, torn-edge cutout is positioned on the right side of the page, containing the text:

**What are you doing today
that will still be around in
2,000 years?**

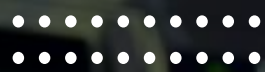
SEED SAVERS
EXCHANGE
6th Annual
Seed School -
August 2018

Sue Gregg, Shelli Broadbent,
Jennifer Lambert, Jo Moreau

Decorah, IOWA

SEED SAVERS EXCHANGE
VISITORS





We learned this and more about seed saving

- Open Pollinated vs Hybrid
- How to avoid cross-pollination
- Isolation Distances
- Hand pollination
- Dry seed processing
 - Screens and winnowing
- Fleshy seed processing
- Short & long-term storage of saved seed

August 2018

Hands-on Seed Saving Education



October 2019



Join the SEED
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for these
exciting
events and
sign up
Today!

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