



## Seed to Salad: Ordering Seeds

### When ordering seeds, consider:

- Ordering from a larger mail order company means access to a wide array of varieties and lets you purchase seed in larger quantities (by the ounce, or pound) rather than by the packet. This can lead to significant savings.
- If others in your community are planning gardening projects, you might want to put in an order together. The side benefit is the communication and learning about each others' efforts that can take place as you plan your order together.
- Call seed companies to ask about a donation or discount. Many seed companies are willing to donate or discount last year's seeds. Remember to send a thank you – perhaps at the beginning of the season, and again when you have photos to share. That might go a long way toward another donation in the future, too.
- Ask for a donation from a community member or parent. Seed is a tangible, affordable item that someone may be willing to purchase for you. Be sure to acknowledge the donor at a celebration and again, always send a thank you note.