

## Congratulations on the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Local Food Resource Hubs!

### What did the Hubs accomplish this year?

- We built our network to 618 members, including 65 community gardens.
- Developed a strong group of leaders at each Hub (thank you Hubs leaders!).
- We braved the rain and thunder to have two excellent seed and seedling distributions for each Hub. We distributed over 13,000 seed packets and over 15,000 seedlings!
- Over 30 Hubs members spent an evening together eating, talking, and packing extra seeds.
- The community came together in all three Hubs to celebrate the season at Summer Celebration potlucks.
- 50 people participated in “Taking Root,” a six-part beginner gardening class. Taking Root was held at 3 different community garden sites across Minneapolis.
- Almost 50 Hubs members attending free canning classes.
- Hubs leaders, the City of Minneapolis, and Gardening Matters worked together to develop the Stewardship Council, which will be launched tonight!
- We created a tool to measure how much food the Hubs grew this season.
- Began work to establish Hubs tool-lending libraries.
- Started a Local Food Resource Hubs Facebook group to help everyone stay connected. Please join!



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