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SET THE TABLE FROM YOUR GARDEN

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Renee's Garden Seed Donations Make a Difference

Every year, Renee's Garden donates seeds to a wide variety of organizations and educational programs worldwide that strive to improve social, economic and health conditions, and promote sustainable organic gardening. We also encourage retailers to donate unsold Renee's Garden seeds to local non-profit organizations at the end of the season. We are pleased to share just a few of their successful outcomes.

Center for Environment Technology and Rural Development, Uganda



"CETRUD was founded with the purpose of addressing poverty, environment, and health issues by providing appropriate technology and relevant development services to poor communities and is based in the Rwenzori region of Uganda. Through donated seeds, CETRUD has been able to distribute seeds to many farmers and schools to establish their own gardens. We shall continue this program so that many families can have their own gardens, therefore improve their nutrition and income."
- Godfrey D. Kasozi, Director

HWES School, Jonesboro, Arkansas



"The HWES School is in Northeast Arkansas in an area that is relatively poor and rural with about 70% of the students coming from low income families. Starting with three Bermuda grass infested courtyards and an abandoned former cafeteria, we now have a greenhouse, three outdoor classrooms with over 20 raised beds, an outdoor kitchen area and a classroom sized kitchen. The past 5 years have seen a huge change in children's palate for fresh produce. The difference has been the children having ownership in the planting, watering, pampering and harvesting of THEIR garden."
-Melinda Smith - Program Administrator

Denver Urban Gardens, Denver, CO



"Our Free Seeds & Transplants Program is an annual distribution of vegetable seeds and plants to low-income families, fixed-income seniors, and school and community gardens throughout Metro Denver. The number of participants in this program grows each year, so your donation means a great deal to our community."
-Jessica Romer
Community Initiatives Coordinator

Project Purpose Garden, Pottstown, PA



"Our community garden is operated with the families of Rolling Hills, a low-income housing development, who work in the garden and receive a share of the produce. Daily care is completed by at-risk high school students. Through Project Garden they experience the benefits of serving their community and learn and enjoy the art of gardening."
-Rachel Kratz, Ass't. Director

Seeds of Hope, Honduras

"This photo is from a marketplace in Honduras showing women who are selling fresh vegetables they produced. Family garden projects using your seeds were initiated by Peace Corps volunteers in several communities before the Peace Corps pulled out due to security concerns. This project was by the Rotary Club of Tegucigalpa."
-Paul Hansen, Outreach Coordinator

Yara Community Garden, Moose Jaw, SK, Canada

"We were able to grown thousands of pounds of fresh, pesticide-free produce which fed over 500 people. Seniors mentored new gardeners, newcomers to Canada found a home to grow culturally appropriate food, our community-minded events brought together the neighborhood and we succeeded in feeding hungry families."

-Sarah Varey, Project Coordinator



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Our **Fundraising Program for Schools and Non-Profits** continued to grow this past year with participating organizations including the **Great Sunflower Project, Master Gardener** groups and numerous school garden projects.

[Time to Order Onion Plants](#)

The very best way to get a head start on bulb onions' long growing season is to begin with pre-started plants. Onions grown this way can get ahead of the weeds and bulb up and keep much better than store-bought "sets."

This spring, we're pleased to offer top quality onion plants painstakingly grown, harvested and shipped to you directly from Dixondale onion ranch in Texas. These fine family farmers have been producing onion transplants since 1913 and are widely recognized experts in onion culture.

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