

Walnut Grove Vocational Farm & Prairie

A DeKalb County Community Gardens Program



DEKALB COUNTY
**COMMUNITY
GARDENS**

Responding to COVID-19

DCCG is on the frontline of the current COVID-19 public health crisis.

DCCG takes the health & safety of staff, clients, volunteers and supporters seriously. We are vigilantly keeping up with cleaning & sanitizing all areas of operations and keeping strict social distancing practices. Food insecurity in our community has jumped with the impacts of the current health crisis.

Our response:

- Increased our mobile food pantries to meet the 120% increase.
- Collaborated with VAC & Elder Care Services to deliver groceries to homebound seniors.
- Ramped up services at our newly opened Genoa Area Community Food Hub. This past March, the Hub served a total of 93 families for the month compared to 33 families for the entire month of March last year.
- Engaged our WGVF participants via social media.

DCCG appreciates your support from the bottom of our hearts. Your continued commitment to ensuring no one goes hungry—especially in these crucial times—is so valued.

We are in this together. Be safe. Stay healthy. — DeKalb County Community Gardens

Walnut Grove Vocational Farm

33600 Pearl Street
Kirkland, IL 60146
779.212.9543

(1.5 miles north of Kirkland off Rt. 72)

Hours

April 28 - May 31, 2020

Tuesday - Saturday

10:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Sunday

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Mondays

Closed

June 1 - June 27, 2020

Tuesday - Saturday

10 am - 5 pm

Sundays & Mondays

Closed

Walnut Grove Vocational Farm

We kicked off our growing season; staff, participants and volunteers worked hard to foster our seedlings to market. Participants learned how to fill pots, sow seeds and transplant. There were many new and exciting varieties planted. Presently, we are proceeding normally with plans to open WGVF on April 28, 2020 for plant sales. Social distancing will be followed in the greenhouse.

New Services at WGVF

In January, The Gracie Center merged with DCCG. We now offer life skills along with horticulture/agriculture training. For more information contact Julie Craig at jcraig@dekalbgardens.org.

Order Your Plants Online

Order your flower and vegetable plants online at www.dekalbgardens.org, click the **Shop** button. Pick up at Walnut Grove Vocational Farm, 33600 Pearl Street Kirkland, or have them delivered to your doorstep.



GIVE DeKalb County: May 7

Why should you participate in Give DeKalb County 2020?

On May 7, 2020 donors of all ages and various interests have the opportunity to express their generosity through **Give DeKalb County**, a 24-hour fundraising event.

This day of giving builds community, encourages philanthropy, connects donors to nonprofits, promotes collaboration, and raises awareness of the non-profit sector in DeKalb County.

A bonus pool of funds raised from Community Partners allows every donation to make an even greater impact!

Donate on Thursday, May 7, at
www.givedekalbcounty.org or mail
your donation to DCCF, 475 DeKalb
Avenue Sycamore, IL 60178.



Reserve a Box of Hope

Help support the work of DCCG by donating a **Box of Hope for a local individual or family in need or purchasing one for you and your family.**

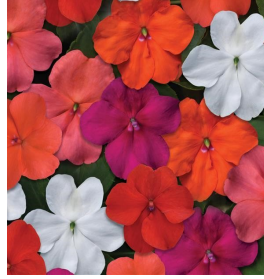
Every Box of Hope (CSA) is filled with fresh vegetables grown and processed by the WGVF crew using sustainable methods. The 5/8 bushel boxes are filled weekly with various vegetables such as lettuce, carrots, broccoli, radishes, peppers, tomatoes, squash, garlic, herbs, or beets. Available weekly, biweekly, or monthly; limited subscriptions. Order yours today at www.dekalbgardens.org, then click **Shop** button!

Grow a Row For DCCG

Would you like to grow a row for DCCG?

Would you like to share your harvest with those in need? Fresh vegetables will be accepted for distribution at our Genoa Area Community Food Hub and Grow Mobile. Bring your veggies to the Genoa Hub, 415 W. Main St., Genoa June through October on Mondays from 9:00 - 11:30 AM or to the Grow Mobile warehouse (2280 Bethany Road, DeKalb) on Mondays 9:00 - 11:00AM or Thursdays 10:00 AM - 12 :00 PM.

New Varieties



Impatiens Beacon Series

Height: 15 to 20 inches
Space: 12 to 14 inches
This new Impatiens offers high resistance to downy mildew. We are growing Bright Red, Mix and Violet in flats. A must have for those shady locations.

Petunia Jelly Roll

Height: 8 to 10 inches
Space: 16 to 20 inches
This beauty will look great in hanging baskets or mixed containers. The fuchsia and cream colored flowers attract hummingbirds.



Perennials

Achillea	Buddleia	Heuchera	Polemonium
Alchemilla	Calamintha	Hosta	Pulmonaria
Allium	Geranium	Leucanthemum	Salvia
Aster	Geum	Nepeta	Sedum
Baptisia	Grass	Penstemon	Sempervivum
Brunnera	Helenium	Phlox	Stachys

Annuals

Acalypha	Echeveria	Nasturtium
Alternanthera	Euphorbia	Nemesia
Angelonia	Fuchsia	Nierembergia
Antirrhinum	Gazania	Oplismenus
Argyranthemum	Geranium	Pansy
Artemisia	Gomphrena	Pennisetum
Bacopa	Gypsophila	Penta
Begonia	Hedera	Petchoa
Bidens	Heliotrope	Petunia
Bracteantha	Hypoestes	Phlox
Caladium	Impatiens	Portulaca
Calibrachoa	Ipomoea	Rudbeckia
Catharanthus	Lantana	Salvia
Celosia	Lobelia	Scaevola
Cleome	Lobularia	Spikes
Coleus	Lotus Vine	Spilanthes
Coreopsis	Lysimachia	Streptocarpella
Cuphea	Mangave	Strobilanthes
Cyperus	Marigold	Thunbergia
Dianthus	Mecardonia	Torenia
Dichondra	Melampodium	Verbena
Dorotheanthus	Mimosa	Vinca Vine
Dracaena	Morning Glory	Zinnia

DCCG's Grow Mobile

DCCG's Grow Mobile is our mobile food pantry & education center. It was established to help our Food Needs program in the summer of 2017. DCCG has distributed over 400,000 pounds of food since it started. Thus far in 2020 the Grow Mobile has served 6,831 individuals. To receive Grow Mobile text alerts text @a34cg4 to 81010.

May Grow Mobile Schedule:

- Friday, May 1 | 3:00 - 5:00 PM
University Village, 722 N. Annie Glidden Rd., DeKalb
- Tuesday, May 5 | 4:00 - 6:00 PM
Clinton Twp. Cmty Cntr, 160 W. Lincoln Hwy. Waterman
- Saturday, May 9 | 8:00 - 10:00 AM
Kingston Friendship Center, 120 Main Street, Kingston
- Saturday, May 16 | 9:30 - 11:30 AM
Federated Church, 612 W. State St. Sycamore
- Tuesday May 19 | 4:00 - 6:00 PM
University Village, 722 N. Annie Glidden Rd., DeKalb
- Tuesday, May 26 | 4:00 - 6:00 PM
St. Paul the Apostle Parish, 340 W. Arnold St., Sandwich

Vegetables & Herb Plants

WGVP has over 70 different varieties of tomato plants, including 30+ heirloom varieties. Plants can be purchased at 33600 Pearl Street, Kirkland or online at www.dekalbgardens.org click on the **Shop** button.

Vegetable & Fruits

Bok Choy

Broccoli

Brussel Sprouts

Cabbage

Famosa
Golden Acre
Late Flat Dutch
Ruby Perfection

Cantaloupe

Cauliflower

Collards

Cucumbers

Bush Pickling
Marketmore
Salad Bush Hybrid
Spacemaster
Straight Eight

Eggplant

Black Beauty
Rosa Bianca
Shikou

Kale

Scarlet Red
Winterbor

Kohlrabi

Leeks

Lettuces

Buttercrunch
Romaine

Okra

Peppers (*Heirloom)

Anaheim*
Baron (Red Beauty)
Better Belle
Bhut Jolokia
Big Bertha
California Wonder*
Carmen
Carolina Reaper
Cayenne
Chablis
Cherry Hot
Cherry Sweet (Pick)
Chichimeca
Chocolate Beauty
Corno di Toro*
Cubanelle*
Early Sunation
Garden Salsa
Giant Marconi
Golden Caliwonder*
Gypsy
Habanero*

Hungarian Hot Wax*

Hungarian Sweet

Wax*

Italico Jalapeno*

King Arthur

Large Cayenne

Mariachi

Melrose

Mexibell

Orange Blaze

Poblano (Ancho)*

Purple Beauty

Revolution

Scotch Bonnet

Serrano*

Shishito

Super Chili

Sweetie Pie

Tabasco*

Thai Hot*

Trinidad Scorpion Moruga

Pumpkins

Jack-Be-Little

Squash

Acorn

Butterbaby

Butternut

Delicata

Spaghetti

Yellow Crookneck

Zucchini

Swiss Chard

Tomatillos

Tomatoes (*Heirloom)

Abraham Lincoln

Amish Paste*

Aunt Ruby's German

Green*

Beefmaster

Beefsteak*

Better Boy

Big Beef

Big Boy

Big Italian Plum*

Big Mama

Big Rainbow*

Black Brandywine

Black Cherry

Black from Tula*

Black Krim*

Blondkopfchen*

Bloody Butcher

Brandywine*

Bush Champion

Bush Early Girl

Bush Goliath

Campbells 33*

Celebrity

Champion

Cherokee Chocolate

Cherokee Purple*

Chocolate Cherry

Delicious*

Early Girl

Fourth of July

Fruit Punch Cherry

Giant Oxheart*

Golden Jubilee*

Green Grape*

Green Zebra*

Genuwine

Hillbilly*

Indigo Blue Beauty

Italian Ice

Jelly Bean Red

Jelly Bean Yellow

Jersey Giant Paste

Jet Star

Jolly

Julia Child*

Juliet

Kelloggs Breakfast*

Lemon Boy

Marglobe*

Nebraska Wedding*

Park's Whopper

Paul Robeson*

Pineapple*

Pink Girl

Red Pear*

Red Profusion

Roma

Rutgers

San Marzano*

Sheboygan*

Sugary

Sugar Lump

Sungold

Sunsugar

Super Fantastic

Supersonic

Supersteak

Super Sweet 100

Super Tasty

Sweet n' Neat Scarlet

Tiny Tim

Wins All*

Wisconsin 55*

Yellow Pear*

Watermelon

Sugar Baby

Herbs

Basil

Cinnamon

Lemon

Lime

Pesto Perpetuo

Purple Ruffles

Red Rubin

Siam Queen

Spicy Globe

Sweet

Borage

Chamomile

Chives

Common

Garlic

Cilantro

Dill

Fennel

Hyssop

Lavender

Lemon Balm

Lemon Grass

Lemon Verbena

Lovage

Marjoram

Mint

Chocolate

Mojito

Peppermint

Spearmint

Oregano

Greek

Italian

Parsley

Curled

Plain

Rosemary

Arp

Spice Island

Sage

Common

Pineapple

Savory, Summer

Tarragon, French

Stevia

Thyme

English

Lemon

Spicy Orange

Water Cress

Present this voucher for

One Free

Tiny Tim Tomato Plant

Valid May 2, 2020 - May 31, 2020

Limit one coupon per customer.

While supplies last.



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Upcoming Events

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April 28

GIVE DeKalb County
County-wide online giving day
www.givedekalbcounty.org
May 7

GACFH – Dinner at the Hub
A pay-as-you-can meal
May 27

Fall Open House at WGVF
September 19

Harvest Dinner at Tapa La Luna
September 20

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Scout Road	
Kirkland	Wolf Road Pearl Street Route 72 Kingston 4 miles →

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