

# HOW IT WORKS

## Borrowing Seeds

- The first time you use the Little Seed Library, fill out a Membership Form.
- Choose 3 or fewer packets of seeds to take home.
- Use the Member Seed Record sheet to record which seeds you are checking out, and file that in the binder-- the next time you use the library you can find your Record Sheet and add seeds you are checking out or donating.
- Take your seeds and planting instructions and enjoy!
- If you'd like to save seeds from the plants you grow, please see the guidelines below for Returning/ Donating seeds.

## Returning/Donating Seeds:

- *The first time you use the Little Seed Library, fill out a Membership Form.*
- *Fill out the Donation Form, attach it to your sealed seed envelope or other container and drop in in the Seed Donation Box.*
- *Use the Member Seed Record sheet to record which seeds you are checking out, and file that in the binder-- the next time you use the library you can find your Record Sheet and add seeds you are borrowing or donating.*
- *Please make sure seeds are dry and clean.*
- *Only return seeds from plants you know how to save properly.*
- *Label your seeds properly and provide as much information on the seed donation form as possible.*
- *Questions, Comments, Concerns? Let us know at [gordonbranch@jmrl.org](mailto:gordonbranch@jmrl.org).*

## The Safe Seed Promise

Agriculture and seeds provide the basis upon which our lives depend. We must protect this foundation as a safe and genetically stable source for future generations. For the benefit of all farmers, gardeners and consumers who want an alternative, I promise that I do not knowingly buy, grow, share or trade genetically engineered ("GMO") seeds or plants.

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## Little Seed Library's Purpose:

JMRL's Little Seed Library empowers the community by connecting people with growing, harvesting and seed saving traditions, as well as nurturing a shared joy of gardening.

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