Dear Donor, Sponsor, or Community Member,

We believe Clevelander's deserve a healthier, more resilient food system now and for generations to come. Accessing fresh produce can be challenging for many Ohio families, particularly those living in low-income neighborhoods and rural areas. In recent years, people are reclaiming seed as a public resource and communities across the country have found a new home for continuing the age-old tradition of seed saving and seed sharing - Seed Libraries.

The Seed Libraries of the Cleveland Seed Bank are places where community members can access a selection of 24 organically grown, open-pollinated vegetable seeds, available free of charge at sponsored library branches.

There are a number of reasons we provide Seed Libraries:

- **Steward of Biodiversity.** In the last century or so, the world has lost 75% of its edible plant varieties. That might be hard to perceive when many of us have enough food on our plates, yet this loss in biodiversity threatens our food security.

- **Promote active, healthy lifestyles.** One in five Ohioans is food insecure, meaning they do not know from where their next meal will come and lack access to enough food for an active, healthy lifestyle. Seed Libraries offer access to free seeds, which hold in them the opportunity to grow food, connect with the soil, and feed a "can-do" attitude.

- **Hands-On Learning.** Growing food from seed is both empowering and educational. Seed Libraries offer an experience whose reward goes beyond the bounty of a garden harvest. Seeds teach us and open the door to share learning with others.
SPONSOR A LIBRARY

Each of our libraries requires annual sponsorship in order to remain stocked with a selection of 24 organic, open-pollinated vegetable, herb, and edible flower seeds that can be saved year after year. We currently have interested library branches across 6 public library systems and the opportunity to host over a dozen Seed Libraries spanning Cuyahoga, Lake, and Lorain Counties.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?
We value our relationships with our sponsors and making sure our partners are happy is a top priority. As a potential sponsor, you make a promise to help our community and in return, we promise to deliver a sponsorship package that meets the needs of your company.

SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS
- Logo placement on each seed packet distributed at your sponsored library location
- Logo placement on our website and promotional materials for the program
- Recognition in our annual report, related press releases and seed saving workshops
- Tags on related social media posts (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)

HOW TO BECOME A SPONSOR
Your support means that hundreds of patrons will have access to organic seeds to grow their own food. Contact us at info@clevelandseedbank.org and share your interest in becoming a sponsor, and visit our website to view a list of Seed Library locations that need your support.

If your organization or company is able to help with this valuable community project, you will be a partner in our solution to the planet’s ecological resilience and adaptability as we are confronted with climate change, corporate seed production and a general loss of farming knowledge.
SPONSORSHIP

For $1,000 a library branch will receive a Seed Library with 480 individual seed packets of 24 different varieties of vegetable, herb, and flower seeds, one mid-season packet refill, and one seed saving workshop for the community hosted by the branch.

Only 20% of our library branch partners have the means to cover the expense of a Seed Library themselves, leaving the rest of the libraries in our network unable to afford this program for their patrons. They need your help to provide this seed-sharing opportunity at their library.

When you donate, you are contributing more than funding support for the program. You are ensuring a viable food and seed supply for generations to come!

CORPORATE SPONSOR - $1,000
Demonstrate your support for the community you serve and become a corporate sponsor of the Seed Library Program. Your company’s logo will be placed on individual seed packets at your chosen library branch and on brochures, handouts, social media posts, and our website.

LIBRARY SPONSOR - $1,000
To make arrangements for programming in your community and to financially support the program in your branch, contact the Cleveland Seed Bank today. Your branch has the option to place your logo on individual seed packets unless otherwise specified.

INDIVIDUAL SPONSOR - $1,000
Are you an individual or community group who wants to support a Seed Library at a branch in Northeast Ohio? Reach out to us about sponsorship!

Contact the Cleveland Seed Bank to start a conversation about sponsorship today!