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CLEVELAND SEED BANK HOSTS ANNUAL WINTER SEED SWAP

Local growers across bioregion to gather at annual Seed Swap event Saturday January 26th.

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CLEVELAND, OH. Saturday, January 26th, 2019 — The Cleveland Seed Bank will host their 5th Annual Winter Seed Swap from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Saturday January 26th at St. Patrick’s Parish Hall in Ohio City. This event is held each year on the last Saturday of January in conjunction with National Seed Swap Day. Participation is open to the public, but pre-registration is required.

All viable flower, herb, and vegetable seeds may be swapped, and no seeds are required to participate. Supplies will be provided so that everyone can leave with seeds. Guests are also encouraged to share bulbs, tubers, garlic, kombucha scoby, kefir grains, yogurt cultures, and sourdough starters.

“Seed swaps are the perfect opportunity to build community relationships by connecting people with their fellow neighbors. From soil to plate – seed saving helps our community to reclaim our seed and build stronger local food systems for generations to come.” Chris Kennedy, Co-Founder of the Cleveland Seed Bank.

The FREE annual Winter Seed Swap will be from 2 to 4 at St. Patrick’s Parish Hall at 3606 Bridge Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44113. Coffee will be provided by Passenger’s Café, food catered by Spice Kitchen & Bar, and music from Cold City Sol. They are also hosting a non-perishable food drive to benefit The Metanoia Project.

New this year, the Cleveland Seed Bank invites participants to consider joining their alliance of seed savers and becoming a paid member. People who sign up will be able to enter the Seed Swap one hour before the crowd and enjoy priority access to heirloom seeds while networking with other seed bank members! Registration and membership details are here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/5th-annual-winter-seed-swap-tickets-52677049473>

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About the Cleveland Seed Bank, The Cleveland Seed Bank (CSB) is a nonprofit organization in Northeast Ohio that facilitates, educates and is building a community network of local seed savers. CSB was formed to address a fundamental gap in our local food system: a regional, diverse, and community-stewarded seed supply. We partner with 4 different public library systems to host 10 Seed Libraries which span 3 counties in Greater Cleveland. The Cleveland Seed Bank has grown into the largest organization of seed savers in the state of Ohio. Learn more at: <http://www.clevelandseedbank.org>