



# BED-STUY farm share

Your Local Community Supported Agriculture Project

## 2011 Membership Agreement Form

### ***It's Easy to Join!***

#### **Sign up online**

Fill out our online application and pay by credit card at [www.bedstuyfarmshare.org](http://www.bedstuyfarmshare.org)

OR

#### **Sign up by mail, using this form**

1. Read & sign the **member commitment**
2. Choose your **farm products**
3. Select a pick-up **date & location**
4. Pick a **payment plan**
5. **Sign & send in** with your first payment or deposit

**Primary Member (the member under whose name the share will be listed at pickup)**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred contact method  **Phone**  **Email**

**Share Partners (members who may also pick up the share)**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email/Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email/Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

### ***More about you***

#### **1. How did you learn of Bed-Stuy Farm Share?**

- announcement at a meeting/event
- flyer on street or at local establishment
- newspaper or blog article
- email or internet
- a friend or neighbor
- other: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. How long have you lived in Bed-Stuy?** \_\_\_\_\_  
Years

**3. How many people participating in your share?**

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults    \_\_\_\_\_ Children

#### **4. What is your race and/or ethnicity? [check all that apply for the Primary Member]:**

- Black/African-American
- Latino/a
- West Indian or Caribbean
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- South Asian
- Middle Eastern
- White/European descent
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## **1. Member Commitment**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, commit to membership in the Bed-Stuy Farm Share for the 2011 harvest season. As a member, I commit myself to supporting the farm with timely payments and a total of at least **4 hours volunteer time per household** to be completed by the end of October 2011. If I am unable to complete my volunteer hours I will pay an additional fee of \$10 for each missed hour. In addition, I commit myself to pick up my weekly or bi-weekly delivery at my chosen distribution site location and time period during the harvest period (22 weeks June – October). I understand that if I do not pick up my share it will be donated. I do not expect my share to be saved and I understand that there will be no refund for missed pick-ups. One aspect of the Bed-Stuy Farm Share is that members support their farmer by sharing in the inherent risks of agriculture (poor weather, drought, disease, early frost, crop failure and so on) and rewards (the bounty of a good season). Farmers purposely plan for such contingencies, and use growing techniques that protect the harvest, minimize risk to members, and optimize rewards; growing a wide variety of crops that thrive in different types of conditions; cover cropping, crop rotation, and irrigation. On the whole, members will get a wide variety of certified naturally grown vegetables, generally 5-10 seasonal vegetables per week. I understand shares will vary in size and weight depending on the time of the season and that there is no guarantee of the exact amount or type of produce I will receive.

Please check one option below:

## 2. FARM PRODUCTS Choose what you want to receive in your share.

**Vegetables** Our vegetables are certified naturally grown and delivered **at least 22 weeks** starting in June. Share cost is based on **household income**. Members with incomes above \$24,000/year pay more to subsidize shares for those with incomes below \$24,000/year. All members receive the same size share. When calculating income, we include wages, social security, parental support, public assistance, student loans, unemployment benefits, and retirement benefits of all the members of the household together. For example, if there are two members in your household and they each make 15,000 a year than the household income is above \$24,000. **We have a limited number of shares for lower-income households**, for which we prioritize people on fixed income and/or with public benefits, such as food stamps, SSI, unemployment and those living in public or subsidized housing. *If you are not paying for your share at the highest rate, please include proof of income with your application, or contact us if applying online.*

**Full Vegetable Share** pickup each week of the season

- \$575 household income above \$24,000 / year
- \$475 household income below \$24,000 / year

**Half Vegetable Share** pickup every other week

- \$325 household income above \$24,000 / year
- \$250 household income below \$24,000 / year

**Fruit** The fruit share season lasts **20 weeks** and begins in July. Please check one:

**Full Fruit Share**

- \$230 pickup each week of the season

**Half Fruit Share**

- \$125 pickup every other week

**Eggs** Our eggs are free-range and hormone-free. The season lasts **22 weeks** and starts in June. Please check one:

**Full Egg Share**

- \$100 1 dozen eggs pickup each week of the season

**Half Egg Share**

- \$50 1 dozen eggs, pickup every other week

## 3. PICK-UP LOCATION & TIME

We have two options for pickup. **You must choose ONE option.** Please note that you will be required to pick up your share only at the location you have chosen. If you are unable to make it to your pick-up site, we cannot hold your share for a different day. Please check one:

- Saturdays, 10am – 12pm at the YMCA, Bedford-Stuyvesant Branch** (1121 Bedford Avenue at Monroe St.)
- Wednesdays, 4pm – 8pm at 497 Quincy Street** (between Throop & Marcus Garvey Blvd.)
- Wednesdays, 6pm – 8pm at Tin City 366 Lewis Ave** (between Macon and Halsey)

## 4. PAYMENT PLAN

### Total Payment

Please calculate your total payment. Make checks or money order payable to Bed-Stuy CSA.

**Vegetable Price:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fruit Price:** + \_\_\_\_\_

**Egg Price:** + \_\_\_\_\_

**Administration Fee:** +\$25

**TOTAL: =** \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Options

Please choose a payment plan.

You can also pay online at [www.bedstuyfarmshare.org](http://www.bedstuyfarmshare.org).)

Full Payment enclosed (check or money order). This enables the farmers to be paid right away and cuts down on the work done by our volunteers. If you are able to, please choose this option.

I will pay in 2 or 3 installments. My first payment of at least 30% of my total share price is enclosed along with 1-2 post-dated checks. All checks are dated on or before June 1, 2011.

I will pay with food stamps. I have enclosed a deposit of \$20 to hold my place. I understand that my payment will be deducted from my EBT card in installments on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month starting on June 15<sup>th</sup>. This means that my total share price will be paid in 5 installments of the same amount throughout the season (June – October).

*If you are unable to pay according to these plans, or have any questions, please call us to set up an alternative payment plan.*

## 5. SIGNATURE

Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Bed-Stuy Farm Share: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Due to a limited number of shares available, this contract does not guarantee membership until both the member and the Bed-Stuy Farm Share have signed it. If there are no longer shares available, your payment will be returned.

You can now pay online with a credit card at [www.bedstuyfarmshare.org](http://www.bedstuyfarmshare.org).

You can also return this form, with payment to: **Bed-Stuy Farm Share, 497 Quincy Street, Brooklyn, NY 11221**

To contact us, email [bedstuycsa@gmail.com](mailto:bedstuycsa@gmail.com) or call (646) 389-1793.