



Northern Virginia

GROWING COMMUNITIES WORKSHOP

Join the **American Community Gardening Association (ACGA)** and Virginia Cooperative Extension for an in-depth, hands-on workshop based on the ACGA's curriculum for leadership development, "Growing Communities: Community Building and Organizational Development through Community Gardening." Learn proven strategies that community organizers use to develop dynamic leaders and strong communities. You will learn the principles and practices of community building, and how to pass these techniques on to others in your community by conducting your own workshops.

This two-day workshop will cover these topics: **Community Organizing, Leadership Development, Grassroots Fundraising Basics, Asset-Based Community Development, Communications Planning, Coalition Building.**

Participants receive the "Growing Communities Curriculum," a 352 page resource workbook, which includes curriculum materials that walk the reader through the process of conducting training workshops. The Curriculum addresses Diversity, Meeting Facilitation and Group Decision-Making, Developing a Board of Directors, and Grassroots Fundraising - Specific Strategies.

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| Who: | Gardeners, leaders, educators, volunteers, supporters of community gardening and greening, master gardeners, and others seeking to use community gardening to meet their program objectives and create healthy communities |
| What: | Two-day leadership workshop on community building, leadership, and organizational development through community gardening |
| When: | Must attend both Friday Oct. 1 8:30 am-5:00 pm and Saturday October 2- 9:00-5:00 |
| Where: | Fairlington Community Center , 3308 S Stafford St. Arlington VA. 22206 |
| Cost: | \$ 75.00 per individual. Includes ACGA membership, <i>Growing Communities Curriculum</i> (\$35 value), 2 days of workshop and lunch! (<i>Attendance on both days required</i>) |

Deadline for Workshop registration is September 10th 2010
Deadline to request financial assistance is September 1st.

CONTACT:

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REGISTRATION FORM GROWING COMMUNITIES WORKSHOP

Registration is \$ 75 for the two-day workshop. Spaced is limited to 48 participants
 Location: [Fairlington Community Center 3308 S Stafford St. Arlington Va. 22206](#)
Registration includes a copy of Growing Communities Curriculum, a \$35 value.
Advance registration is required . No refunds.

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| Name | |
| Organization | |
| Street Address | |
| City/State/Zip | |
| Phone | Fax |
| Email | |

Yes! I would like to attend.

Yes I would like to attend but I need financial assistance. Send both your scholarship application and your registration form to "Growing Communities" ex013mg@vt.edu

No, I cannot attend. **BUT, I would like to purchase the *Growing Communities Curriculum* for \$35.**

Payment Options:

Pay by Credit card [Growing Communities Workshop Registration and payment form.](#)

Pay by check. Make payable to ACGA. Mail check with registration form to:



American Community Gardening Association
 c/o FPC, 1777 East Columbus, OH 43203



TRANSPORTATION, FOOD, & LODGING INFORMATION

Lunch will be provided on both days
 No-host group dinner at a local restaurant on Friday evening
 Registrants make own transport and lodging arrangements. Registrants will receive a packet of local hotels and transportation options by return email.

Questions? ACGA Treasurer: Betsy Johnson at betsy@bgjohnson.com or [877-275-2242](tel:877-275-2242).
 Virginia Cooperative Extension Agent: Kirsten Conrad Buhls ex013mg@vt.edu or [703-228-6414](tel:703-228-6414)

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