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Micro Greens CSA Program Winter 2016/17

Welcome to The Grove Micro Greens CSA Program where you get fresh, delicious, locally grown micro greens any time of the year! Micro greens are densely packed with vital nutrients and in our CSA, your greens are always ready for pick-up within 24 hours of harvest (and usually within 2-3 hours), for guaranteed, ultimate freshness. Our grow methods include all organic seed and grow medium. And our micro greens leftovers (stems and roots) go to help feed our beautiful chicken and duck egg layers. You're promoting a lovely system!

Why a CSA? It's the sustainable approach! CSA stands for Community Supported Agriculture and benefits both the farmer and the member. In our case, it allows us to know exactly how much of which varieties to grow, which greatly minimizes waste and gives us the funding up front to be able to purchase seed (which is a lot, when it comes to micro greens!). Members benefit from a regular batch of the greens they want, and at a lower cost, made possible only by this approach of stream-lined farm operations.

How does our CSA work? You agree to 12 consecutive weekly shares of micro greens and for 12 weeks your pre-chosen order will be either delivered to you or available for pick-up at any one of our various pick-up sites on either Tuesdays or Fridays – your choice.

In most CSA's, what you get in your weekly share is determined on the whim of the farm and the weather. In this CSA, we can all but guarantee we'll have your exact chosen varieties and volumes every week. If we cannot fill your share perfectly, you will get the option to substitute different varieties, or simply decline that week without wasting a share on greens you don't want. In this CSA, you're guaranteed to get what you want and what you pay for.

During your 12-week CSA period, you'll have the option to "pass" on 3 different weeks. We just ask that you let us know at least a week *in advance* if you'd like to use a "pass". If you'll be unable to collect your greens longer than a 3-week period, please let us know and we may be able to work something out.

Payments – We ask that all CSA share periods be paid in advance. At the moment, we do not have the ability to accept credit card payments, so cash or check please. If you're unable to pay the full amount up front, please talk to us and we may be able to set up a payment plan. Payments can be sent to: The Grove, HC 89 Box 8608, Talkeetna, AK 99676.

Harvest Day – Each harvest day you will be notified by email that your greens have been harvested and are being delivered or are ready for pick-up at your respective pick-up location.

Home Deliveries – Home deliveries are only available to Talkeetna residents on or within 1 mile of the Talkeetna Spur Rd. Greens are delivered between 3 and 4pm on Tuesdays and Fridays and may be delivered to your home, BUT:

- Members must either be home, or have a designated drop off "spot" (cooler, arctic entry, etc.) that will keep the greens at an acceptable temperature range until you get home.
- When members are not home and there is no viable place to keep the greens, they will simply be brought back to The Grove for pick-up at the member's convenience.

Pick-up at The Grove – The greens will be just inside the main front door at the top of the steps of the main cabin at The Grove, in the small refrigerator. The Grove is located at: 15528 E. Birch Creek Blvd. ½ mile down Birch Creek Blvd. on the right, directly across from Blair Hills Street.

Deliveries to Talkeeetna Elementary, Su Valley, Sunshine Clinic, and KTNA - Greens will be delivered to the staff lounge fridge at each respective school, KTNA, and to the front desk at the Sunshine Clinic (later to be dropped in the fridge in the staff lounge).

Other Deliveries – Although pick-ups at The Grove, the schools, and the clinic are preferred, other deliveries may be arranged under special circumstances. Please feel free to inquire if you are interested.



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Sunflower	\$1.25		
Kale	\$2.00		
Arugula	\$2.00		
Radish	\$2.00		
Pea	\$2.00		week minimum order for membership.
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<u>Please send form to:</u> The Grove, HC 89 Box 8608, Talkeetna, AK 99676 or TheGroveTKA@gmail.com. Checks can be made payable to "The Grove" and sent to the above mailing address.

Upon receiving this order form, I will return to you a CSA Agreement form which will confirm the pertinent information about your CSA share. You will begin getting greens as early as I can grow them (within a few weeks at most) and after payment has been received.

Thank you for you interest in fresh, nutrient-dense, leafy-green medicine and supporting the local food movement!