

**Prince George – Norwich Meadows Farm CSA
Membership Registration/Agreement Form 2014**

Note: If registering for an EBT share, please contact CSA Coordinators Rachel or Natalie at csa@commonground.org for the appropriate form and payment options.

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Membership Commitment

I, _____, commit to membership in the Prince George – Norwich Meadows Farm CSA for the 2014 harvest season. By filling out and signing this form, I acknowledge that I become a partner for the growing season with Norwich Meadows Farm. In addition, I commit myself to pick up my weekly or bi-weekly delivery of produce at The Prince George located at 14 East 28th Street. **I understand that my share will not be saved until the next day if I cannot pick it up at distribution- however I can send a friend or family member in my stead. If my share is not picked up, it will either be donated to City Harvest or to the Prince George tenant farmer’s market and no refund will be made.** I also understand that if I choose to forfeit my share I will not receive a refund for the total cost of my share including other products. I understand that I am expected to give a minimum of four (4) hours of volunteer time to the CSA over the course of the growing season (June – November), and that completion of these hours will impact my standing for future participation in this CSA.

The CSA Share

As a member of the CSA, I will choose to receive either a weekly single share, a double share, or a bi-weekly share (if I receive EBT). The shares will vary in size and weight depending on the time of the season. 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 from a good season) involved in farming. CSA farmers purposely plan for such contingencies, and use growing techniques that protect the harvest, minimize risk to members, and optimize the rewards. On the whole, members will get a wide variety of vegetables in plentiful amounts.

I understand this principle and agree that there is no guarantee on the *exact* amount or type of produce I will receive in my share. By participating in the CSA, I am supporting the local farmer as well as more equitable food distribution and I am helping to create a more environmentally just, economically fair, and healthy society.

Donations

The Prince George is a low-income and supportive housing unit, and one of the core goals of our CSA is to increase the availability of healthy affordable produce to low-income populations. With this in mind, one of the services we offer is a Farmer’s Market for the tenants of the Prince George. We buy shares from the Farm and sell the produce to tenants of the Prince George at discounted prices for tenants who may be unable to buy a CSA share. We are hoping to buy a minimum of four shares for the 2014 Season, and are seeking donations from our members to do so. Please consider donating any amount to the Prince George Farmers Market. Checks can be made payable to Common Ground Community II and should be a separate check from the check for a share.

Share Cost

Please return this form completed & with payment to:
Rachel Boeglin, The Prince George-CSA, 14 East 28 Street, NY, NY 10016.
All checks/money orders should be made out to “Common Ground Community II.”
Please direct questions to csa@commonground.org or 212.471.0857
Check us out on the web at www.commonground.org/csa.

This season, we are requesting early registration and payment in order to provide Norwich Meadows Farm its necessary funds as soon as possible. Share cost is based on **household** income. Prices will vary according to the income bracket each member fits into. Members making over \$40,000 pay more in order to subsidize shares for those who fit into the lower income bracket. Based on past seasons, more than half of all members paid the amount of the Level A category. We are using a two-tiered system in order to create smoother accounting, and to allow for an increased amount of subsidized shares. All members receive the same size share. **If you do not pay in full by April 25th, a \$10 late fee will be owed.**

PAYMENT OPTIONS

1 Full payment: enclosed (check or money order) made out to **Common Ground Community II.**

2 Payment Plan: I will make three equal payments beginning in January thru March. Make (check or money order) out to **Common Ground Community II.**

SINGLE SHARE by April 25th:

Payment Plan Breakdown & Due Dates

<i>Please check income level</i>	<i>Share Price*</i>	April 4th	April 25th
___ Income Level A is above \$40,000 a year	\$430	\$215	\$215
___ Income Level B is below \$40,000 a year	\$350	\$175	\$175

DOUBLE SHARE by April 25th:

Payment Plan Breakdown & Due Dates

<i>Please check income level</i>	<i>Share Price*</i>	April 4th	April 25th
___ Income Level A is above \$40,000 a year	\$860	\$430	\$430
___ Income Level B is below \$40,000 a year	\$700	\$350	\$350

Donation:

___ **Yes**, I would like to make a donation of \$ _____. Please make a separate check or money order to Common Ground Community II.

Are you a past member? _____

How did you learn about this CSA? _____

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

CSA Coordinator Signature: _____ Date: _____

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