

Hello Neighbour!!

Can not help but notice your great fruit tree. I don't know if you use the fruit yourself or have picking arrangements. I thought you may or may not be aware of the info below as an option.

For more info you can either: Email info@fruitshare.ca or call in Winnipeg: 204-272-8520.

Fruit Share!

Fruit Share is a volunteer-led organization dedicated to picking, sharing and enjoying fresh fruit growing in backyards throughout Manitoba.

How Does It Work?

Fruit Share connects **fruit owners** with surplus fruit with **volunteer** fruit pickers. These volunteers pick the fruit and share it between the fruit owners, the volunteers and **community groups**.

Our Goals

While minimizing food waste is a major goal of the project, Fruit Share is also about fostering a sense of community and being conscientious about sustainable, local food systems. In short our goals are to:

- minimize food waste
- foster a strong sense of community
- promote local food production
- share resources
- share knowledge of food preservation and preparation
- share knowledge of fruit tree maintenance

How is Fruit Share Funded?

Fruit Share is primarily fueled by volunteers. We have been fortunate to receive funding from some great **partners and funders** that believe in our efforts and want to help us get a solid start.

See over for more info.....

Fruit Owners

Thank you for sharing your fruit with us!

Our commitment to you is to post your harvest request with our volunteers. Whether your fruit is harvested is up to our volunteers' availability.

The Process

Step 1 – Registering Your Fruit

Register your fruit with Fruit Share anytime of year. This registration let's us know your basic fruit information. Once we get your registration, we'll send you a welcome email that includes a link to your specific Harvest Request Form.

Step 2 – Requesting a Harvest

One or two weeks before your fruit is actually ready, we ask that you fill in your Harvest Request form with the specific details including date and time for when you would prefer volunteers harvest your fruit.

Remember, most of our volunteers have day jobs, so evenings or weekends work best for them!

Step 3 – Sending the Notice of Picks to Volunteers

Once we receive your Harvest Request, we compile it with all the other requests we receive in a given week. We then send out a Notice of Picks to all our volunteers. Based on date, type of fruit and general location (shown by Postal Code) volunteers select which picks work for them.

Step 4 – Sending the Confirmation of Pick

After the volunteers select their picks, Fruit Share sends a confirmation notice to you and the volunteer pickers. This email includes contact information so that you and the confirmed volunteers (usually 2-5) can finalize any details and ensure the pick happens as planned.

You will also be notified if there are no volunteers signed up to pick your fruit.

Step 5 – Providing Post Harvest Information

After the pick, volunteers will be asked to complete a Post Harvest Information Form that provides feedback on the pick. This will include how much fruit was picked and where it was donated. This step is also your opportunity to provide any feedback you have about the process to Fruit Share.