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THE DINNER GARDEN PROVIDES FREE SEEDS TO FAMILY AND COMMUNITY GARDENERS
They seek to end hunger by teaching people to garden.

Before there was a “First Garden” at The White House, there was The Dinner Garden. Holly Hirshberg started The Dinner Garden (www.dinnergarden.org) with a simple premise and it's catching on like wildfire. Holly started this non-profit organization to provide seeds, gardening supplies, and gardening advice for FREE to anyone who wants to start a garden. She doesn't even request a stamp!

Holly came up with the idea for The Dinner Garden while trying to think of a way to give people free food and lessen their dependence on food banks. There is no qualification process to receive seeds or supplies from The Dinner Garden. Holly feels that no one should have to justify their need. She says that she is happy to have all people gardening. The only request The Dinner Garden has is if you grow something you aren't going to eat, give it to someone who will.

In these difficult economic times, The Dinner Garden is creating a community of gardeners, both beginner and experienced, who pull together to feed their families and communities. Since beginning her mission in January 2009, Holly has distributed seed packs to over 3000 people all over the United States. She has provided the seeds for numerous community gardens. The Dinner Garden works with businesses and social service agencies all over the country to distribute seeds to anyone who wants them.

Holly has a small but dedicated group of volunteers who work tirelessly to spread the word about The Dinner Garden. Many of The Dinner Garden volunteers are disabled, and some are even homebound. As the mother of two adopted, special needs kids, Holly envisioned The Dinner Garden as a way to provide job training to people with special needs, while also fighting hunger. She hoped to give people an opportunity to get involved in a project that is making a real, positive difference in the world.

The response to The Dinner Garden has been overwhelming. They now have families, community centers, churches, and food banks as clients in eighteen states, from California to Maine, and Texas to North Dakota. They have established seed distribution partners in Utah, Montana, Minnesota, and Indiana. Donations have poured in from individuals and companies from all over the country. Everyday, The Dinner Garden grows. By the Spring 2010 growing season, Holly hopes to have Dinner Garden seeds sprouting in gardens in every state. She says, “Not too long ago, we were a nation of farmers. In these tough times, a return to those roots will help us strengthen ourselves as a community, feeding our families with healthful, delicious fruits and vegetables grown in our own yards.”

About The Dinner Garden Corporation

The Dinner Garden, (<http://www.dinnergarden.org>), based in San Antonio, Texas, provides seeds, gardening supplies, and gardening advice free of charge to all people in the United States of America. They assist those in need in establishing food security for their families. Their goal is for people to plant home, neighborhood, and container gardens, so they can use the vegetables they grow for food and income.

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If you would like additional information about The Dinner Garden, or to schedule an interview with Holly Hirshberg, please call Sean Hirshberg at 210-979-1251 or email Sean at sean@dinnergarden.org.