

SEED BLESSING & ANCESTRAL AGREEMENT

These seeds are shared freely in the hope that through this exchange, we will support health for our communities, continue cultural traditions and farming lifeways, and help protect Earth's incredible diversity of seeds.

In receiving these seeds, I commit to honoring Indigenous Nations, Pueblo communities, and other land-based Peoples who have protected and passed on these seeds, and their stories, for countless generations. I commit to acting with care, respect and reverence as a guardian of these seed teachers - and promise that I will never sell, commodify, or exploit them in any way, as seeds are a gift from Earth that give life. I commit to planting, tending and harvesting these seeds in the best way that I can, and to returning seeds back to the library in the future when I am able. I recognize that in choosing to care for these seeds, I take on a responsibility to use my voice to speak for the health of seeds, waters, and land - and to protect against any attempts to steal, degrade, commodify, or harm this precious heritage.

*** When taking seeds from the library, all community members are asked to sign this agreement. ***



Mural by Alejandro López, Roger Montoya, Arlene Jackson & community members

HAVE QUESTIONS?

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

*WANT TO DONATE OR GET INVOLVED
IN CARING FOR THE SEED LIBRARY?*

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The Española Healing Foods Seed Library was designed and launched by an incredible group of youth seed protectors: Alex, Amos, Amera, Brooke, Cameron, Cruz, Chasity, Luis, Lauren, Monroe, Mitchell, Melaki, and Santana.

The project came into being through the vision of Beata Tsosie-Peña (Tewa Women United) and Sherry Aragon (Española Library, Director & Head Librarian) - with project coordination by Emily Arasim. Seed library logo design by Sherry Aragon.



The Española Healing Foods Seed Library is a space for community to come together to receive and share seeds - which we can grow, save, and protect as a source of food, medicine, health and wellbeing.

All of the seeds in the library are given freely, but we know that seeds are a precious gift.

Seeds are life - and are at the heart of our memory, histories, cultures, and traditions as Peoples of these lands in New Mexico.

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