

## St. Peter's Fellowship Farm 2011 Lead Gardener Contract Description

**Work Experience:** 2-3 years of varied vegetable gardening experience, preferably with 1 year in Southeast Alaska. This includes planning, cultivating, harvesting, composting and preparing vegetables for sale or preservation as well as putting the garden to rest for the season.

### **Contract Requirements:**

- Develop garden plan that includes succession planting in conjunction with the SPFF coordinators
- Conduct basic soil testing and amend the soil to improve soil quality using available resources i.e., seaweed, bone meal, etc in conjunction with the SPFF coordinators and volunteer work parties
- Cultivate plant starts using seeds & seed starter provided by the SLFN and make recommendations for SPFF seed start kits to be distributed at the **Let's Grow Sitka** event on **March 21, 2011**
- Use organic gardening practices
- Plan and direct 3 spring planting parties in May 2011 in conjunction with the SPFF coordinators
- Direct 75% of the garden work parties during the months of June, July and August plus the first half of September\*.
- Plan and oversee the harvest of the garden for the first five 2011 Farmers Markets (**July 16, July 30, August 13, August 27 and September 10**)
- Develop a method for quantifying the amount of vegetables harvested from SPFF and implement it
- Maintain the composting and watering system
- Direct any questions or concerns to the SPFF coordinators

**Compensation:** A total of \$1,500 paid in 3 installments (**mid-May, mid-July and mid-September**) plus \$200 bonus at the end of the Farmers Market season *AND* 5% of the SPFF.

If interested in the SPFF lead gardener contract, email a resume that includes 2 local references that can speak to your gardening ability and a letter of interest by February 5<sup>th</sup> to [3akharts@acsalaska.net](mailto:3akharts@acsalaska.net). *Direct questions to Lisa Sadleir-Hart at 747-5985 or Doug Osborne at 747-3752.*

\*Work parties were held on *Wednesdays from 4:30-6pm* and on non-Farmers Market Saturdays from 2-3:30pm in 2010, but can be changed.