



Incubator Farming at Spaces of Opportunity

The lack of affordable land close to markets in urban areas is a large barrier for people interested in agriculture. Spaces provides $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1 acre plots of land with a preference to farmers with limited resources who are part of the south Phoenix community.

The incubator farm is central to Spaces efforts to create a neighborhood food hub, offer a weekly farmers market and create a viable market of customers through Our Harvest/Nuestra Cosecha subscriptions. Our version of community supported agriculture (CSA) is a cooperative agreement between farmers agreeing to grow without chemicals, primarily market produce in South Phoenix, and work together with mentor farmers.



U.S. farm workers work an average of 42 hours per week and earn an average of \$7.25 per hour with an average annual income between \$10,000 to \$12,500 dollars. One of the goals of Spaces of Opportunity is to give small farmers access to land and secure them a living wage.

If you are interested in farming at Spaces, please contact the Farming Coordinator, John Wann, at info@orchardlearningcenter.org. For more information, review the [Farmer Manual](#) and [Farm Incubator Application](#).