

## WYOMING'S SEED LIBRARIES

Find Wyoming's other seed libraries at the locations and web addresses listed below:

### Gillette

Campbell County Extension Office  
f @northeastwyomingseedlibrary

### Lander

Fremont County Library  
wrf2p.com/seed-library

### Casper

Winter Memorial Presbyterian Church  
wyomingfoodforthoughtproject.org

### Torrington

Eastern Wyoming College  
ewc.wy.edu/library

### Cheyenne

Laramie County Library  
lclsonline.org/seed-library

### Laramie

Albany County Library  
f @highplainsseedlibrary

## ONLINE RESOURCES

### Community Seed Network

National seed network and resources  
communityseednetwork.org

### Rocky Mountain Seed Alliance

Western region seed directory and resources  
rockymountainseeds.org

### University of Wyoming Extension

Wyoming-based gardening information  
uwoyo.edu/barnbackyard/resources/gardening

## THANKS TO OUR SUPPORTERS & SEED DONORS



## VISIT US

Sheridan County Seed Library  
335 W Alger St,  
Sheridan, WY 82801

## CONTACT US

Sheridan County Fulmer Public Library  
sheridanwyolibrary.org  
(307) 674-8585  
scfpl@sheridanwyolibrary.org

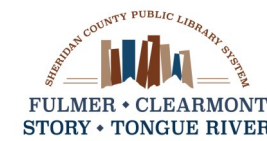
Powder River Basin Resource Council  
powderriverbasin.org  
(307) 672-5809  
info@powderriverbasin.org  
f @powderriverbasinresourcecouncil

## SHERIDAN COUNTY SEED LIBRARY



**WE ARE A FREE, SEED-LENDING PROGRAM** at Sheridan County Fulmer Public Library, sponsored by Powder River Basin Resource Council.

**OUR MISSION** is to support a thriving community of gardeners and seed savers, provide information and education about sustainable gardening, and cultivate a culture of sharing.



f @sheridancountyseedlibrary

## TO CHECK-OUT SEEDS

The Sheridan County Seed Library is a collection of open-pollinated and heirloom seeds you can “borrow” to use in your garden.

- 1) Fill out a Membership Form located in the white binder at the information counter. Use this form each time to check-out seeds.
- 2) Find the seed kiosk in the south hall of the Sheridan County Fulmer Public Library, near the periodicals and gardening books.
- 3) Seeds are organized by name and type (fruit & vegetables, herbs, and flowers).
- 4) Individuals may check-out up to 5 seed packets per month and organizations may check-out up to 20 seed packets per month.



## TO RETURN SEEDS

There is no obligation to save and return seeds if you are new to seed saving. As you grow as a gardener and a seed saver, we hope that you will consider sharing seeds from some of your plants with the seed library. We are happy to accept donations of your open-pollinated, heirloom, or non-hybrid seeds in any quantity.

- 1) Make sure seeds are dry and clean by removing as much chaff as possible.
- 2) If you are a beginning seed-saver, please only return seeds from the “easy” category. Return seeds from the “advanced” category only if you have taken steps to prevent cross-pollination, such as hand-pollinating.
- 3) Place enough seeds in the envelopes provided to grow an appropriate population.
- 4) Fill out a seed donation form and deposit your items into the donation basket. The more information you provide the better!

## WHY SAVE SEEDS?

Humans have relied on seed saving for over 10,000 years. Saving seeds helps to preserve biodiversity, makes local seed stock more genetically diverse, resilient, and adapted to Wyoming’s growing conditions, and creates a vibrant gardening community. By saving seeds, you are carrying on a deeply held agricultural tradition, vital to the food that we eat, cultures we maintain, and knowledge we pass on.

Start by saving seeds that are labeled “easy.” You’ll have more fun and better success. You can learn the basics of seed saving through the many handouts at the seed library, books, workshops, or other local seed savers.

## PLANTING

Each seed packet has enough for a small garden. The average last frost date in Sheridan is May 31, and the average first fall frost date is September 17. See plant-specific information for suggestions on how and when to plant various seeds, and, remember that weather in Wyoming is hardly average! You may consider starting some seeds indoors, using fabric row covers, and other season-extenders such as cold frames, high-tunnels, or a greenhouse.



There are many informational handouts available at the seed library, local and online resources, and the Sheridan County Fulmer Public Library houses many gardening books to aid you—start browsing at call number 635.

The town of Sheridan also has seven community gardens plus the Sheridan Food Forest to enable gardeners without backyard gardens.