

Join us:

National Gleaning Day 2011

*Uniting local communities, farms and school lunch programs
across the nation for a day of harvesting healthy food for kids!*



Gleaners big and small join National Gleaning Day.



Volunteers celebrate their harvest with the Marin Organic Glean Team.

Glean (verb): to gather produce or grain left in the field by farmers

Build a movement to glean in your community:

On National Gleaning Day, let's unite across the nation in this growing movement for food justice and holistic resource management. Consider this simple, empowering and adaptable solution. Mobilize your local community to celebrate gleaning initiatives for school lunches, food pantries, and senior centers everywhere, creating a food system where everyone and everything thrives!

Join gleaners across the nation on Monday, September 12th, 2011:

1. **Invite your community and local farms** to sponsor a gleaning on Monday, September 12th, 2011. PTAs, church groups, non-profits, and after-school programs alike are encouraged to participate. There are several ways to help - from harvesting, to delivering the harvest, to community outreach.
2. **Connect the dots** between local school food services and farms. Ask a Food Service Director what they most need. Ask a farmer if you can glean the extras after they've harvested for markets.
3. **Celebrate your choice** to source an ingredient locally for school lunch with a special event. Educate your kids about where this food was grown. Invite students to harvest with their own hands. Label the food in the cafeteria line with a name and picture of the farmer. It's your celebration, so make it your own!



To register as a National Gleaning Partner: www.NationalGleaningDay.org

Together, we can do this!