

Fresh Picks

BURSTING WITH NEW LIFE 🌱

Our greenhouse is bursting with new life, thanks to the dedication of our Core Crew and students from the CR School District, Marion High School, and PrairieWood transitional programs. Brandee Gehl, Marion Transition Center Coordinator/Teacher, shared her appreciation for our collaboration in providing valuable work experience for their students. We're grateful for these partnerships and the opportunity to grow together!



More than 9,000 seeds were planted and are in various stages of germination readying for our spring sales event.



Plant Sale

May 3, 2025 | 9 am – 1 pm
2630 Otis Road SE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52403

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CONGRATULATIONS -- Phil Phister KCRG - Nine Who Care



Phil Phister, a Master Gardener since 2007, has dedicated countless hours to establishing the Marion greenhouse at Lowe Park. With a passion for vegetable gardening, he has grown and harvested thousands of pounds of fresh produce, all donated to food pantries in Marion.

Beyond his own work, Phil has mentored many in the community, including fellow Master Gardeners, generously donating over 200 hours each year to share his expertise. His dedication earned him Marion's Community Impact Award in 2023, and now he has been recognized as one of "Nine Who Care."

At GROW, Phil has been instrumental in helping establish our greenhouse, guiding plant selection, seed germination, and agricultural programs. We are honored to have him as a valued member of our Grounds Committee and grateful for the knowledge and passion he brings to our mission.



Grow: Growing Real Opportunities for Work

GROW is a non-profit that empowers individuals living with challenges by providing valuable employment skills through meaningful work in horticulture.

Visit GrowWithKazimour.org to learn more about us, or consider volunteering this spring.