Budget



Why Budget?



The better you understand what you've done in the past...

the better you can plan for the future

Important terminologies in BUDGETING

Income – Expenses – Savings

Profit OR Loss

✓ Good Habits

- ✓ Separate farm and home budgets
- ✓ Pay your farm for vegetables you take home as if you are paying at market
- ✓ Write down expenses as soon as you make purchases
- ✓ Write down income as soon as you are paid
- ✓ Pay yourself for your time working
- √ Keep receipts
- ✓ SAVE for next year

Farm Income

What are some possible ways to earn income farming?





Market



Wholesale



Home Food



CSA



You sold five bunches of greens to a restaurant for \$10.





The date is May 22nd

You bring home vegetables for your family. You would have paid \$32 in the store for them.





The date is May 18th

Farm Expenses

Car and Truck



Rent/Lease



Seeds & Plants





Supplies





Labor



axes



(Savings)







Transportation

Miles Driven (for your <u>farm</u>)

X

\$0.56

Total Mileage Expense



Rent/Lease:



You paid your land lease for the year. The total was \$350.00





The date is February 2nd

Seeds & Seedlings





Seedlings

Seeds

You bought tomato and daikon seeds for your farm. Your total was \$6.00.



Seeds



The date is April 3rd

You bought some seedling starts for your farm. Your total was \$55.50





The date is May 12th

Supplies



Compost



Fertilizer



Pesticides



Mulch



Stakes



Row Cover

Other

You bought row cover for your bok choy. The total was \$100.50





The date is April 16th

You bought compost for \$120.25.





The date is April 22nd

Labor (not for taxes!)



What is your time worth?

How much (if anything) do you need to pay yourself for working at the farm?



Labor (not for taxes!)

What is your time worth to you?

But also remember....

"The time you enjoy wasting is NOT WASTED."



You spent 5 hours on your farm the April 22nd.

You spent 3 hours on your farm April 27th.





Savings (not for taxes!)



Savings for Home



Savings for Farm

You know you will have farm expenses next spring, before you can sell anything. You decide to save \$90 out of your first check to help cover them.





The date is September 10th



Questions?