



How to Setup a Sharing cart

- Think about where would be good places to have a cart i.e. Cafes, gift or Eco shops, schools, churches, community centres, health centres, wherever there is some foot traffic and isn't likely the cart will be vandalised.
- Approach whoever is in charge. It may be useful to print off some Grow Free information from the files section to give to them. Look out for a cart, baby change tables are good but you can use anything really, old BBQ trolleys, tray mobiles, etc. Look on Gumtree, swap, buy and sell sites, dump shops etc. Paint and decorate it so that it's weather proof, eye catching and recognisable as a Grow Free cart. Let us know on here when it's up and running so it can be added to the map and we can help you stock it.
- We usually have a sign on each cart, and there is a template for this sign in the Files section, under Grow Free Sign. This has a bit of info for passersby to find out what the cart is about. This could be printed off and laminated, or painted on to some MDF or something similar in your own style.
- We also usually try and keep a small stack of pamphlets on the carts too which are under Grow Free Flyer in the Files section.
- There's also the Logo (Grow Free in Files) and Seed packets too in the Files section.
- Generally with each cart, we organise someone to be "Cart Steward". Which is somebody who keeps a regular eye on the cart. A cart steward keeps it clean, clears off old/rotten fruit, makes sure that there are buckets on there to put leafy greens in some water, and keeps the pamphlets up to it too.
- Then begin sharing! It may be slow to begin with, but in time more and more people will find out about it via word of mouth, and will start sharing their seedlings, surplus veggies/fruit, eggs, preserves, baked goods, etc.