



# Saint Louis County

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Workshop to focus on successful gardening in northern Minnesota**

With the harsh winter we have endured so far, here is a sure sign that spring is coming! St. Louis County Extension is presenting a workshop “Successful Gardening in Northern Minnesota” On Thursday, March 6, the workshop will be offered twice – at Embarrass Town Hall from 1 to 4 p.m., and at the Ely Public Works Facility from 6 to 9 p.m.

Growing vegetables in northern Minnesota involves some unique challenges due to the short season and cool temperatures. However, it can be an extremely rewarding experience. This program will address some of those issues including vegetable variety selection and growing techniques that work in our northern climate. Specific information will be given on asparagus and tomato production.

Workshop presenters include Kendall Dykhuis, St. Louis County Agronomist; and Bob Olen, St. Louis County Horticulturist. Both program speakers have years of experience researching and growing vegetables in St. Louis County.

Registration is \$18 per person. Attendees will receive the newly updated publication, Vegetable Varieties for Northern Minnesota, as well as other helpful program materials. Handouts and light refreshments are also included in the registration fee.

Pre-registration by February 27 is encouraged. To download a registration brochure or learn more about the workshop, visit [stlouiscountymn.gov/ext](http://stlouiscountymn.gov/ext) and click the Garden and Lawn link; or call the St. Louis County Extension Office in Virginia at (218) 749-7120, or Duluth at (218) 733-2870.

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