

# Riverdale Park Farmers Market

## Overview

**Riverdale Park Farmers Market Mission statement:** The Riverdale Park (RP) Farmers Market provides a community gathering place where residents of all incomes may purchase nutritious, high--- quality, affordable produce while encouraging local business growth.

The RP Farmers Market is a source for local high-quality organic and conventionally grown fresh vegetables and fruits, award winning honey, European style baked goods, pasture fed meat, bedding plants, artisan breads, handmade soaps, pottery, jams and jellies, fruit syrups, fresh cut flowers, and talented local artisans and musicians of all sorts. The market is a "producers only" market, which means that everything is locally grown or made.

The RP Farmers Market happens every Thursday year-round from 3PM to 7PM at Riverdale Park Town Center at the intersection of Queensbury Road and Lafayette Road. During the Spring and Summer months, the market meets outdoors, while during the late Fall and Winter the market uses indoor space nearby.

## Key Features

- Producers---only
- All year around
- Evening hours
- Urban city farm --- affiliation with Eco city farms
- Entertainment --- high---quality musicians
- Location --- 2 metro stops/MARC station
- Promotes local businesses – One local business per week is offered a slot at the Market to offer services or goods that the market doesn't offer.
- Provides WIC, SNAP and Maryland Money Market\* benefits to qualified persons
- Value---community gathering, wellness, nutrition, culture, family atmosphere, promotes sustainable living

**\*Maryland Market Money is a state-wide currency distributed to participants in federal nutrition benefits programs** [the Farmers Market Nutrition Program ([FMNP](#)), the Women, Infant, and Children Fruit & Vegetable Check Program ([WIC FVC](#)), and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ([SNAP](#)), formerly known as Food Stamps)] **who use their benefits at participating farmers markets.** The currency comes in the form of dollar-value tokens and vouchers distributed each week at participating markets. These tokens and vouchers can be spent on any SNAP-eligible foods at any participating market in Maryland, helping to increase customers' food budgets for purchasing fresh, healthy, local foods at farmers markets while also directly supporting local growers and producers. The Riverdale Park Farmers Market has participated in this program continuously since 2014.

**What you'll find at the RP Market on a typical Thursday:** ***May and June:*** Early crops, bedding plants, strawberries, flowers, baked goods, eggs, jams, and honey. ***July, August, and September:*** Tomatoes, corn, potatoes, watermelon, cantaloupe, peas, cabbage, turnips, assorted berries, baked goods, eggs, honey, and peaches. ***September and October:*** Late summer crops plus apples, pumpkins, peppers, gourds, cider, mums, baked goods, and eggs.

## Market Manager

The Market Manager, Jim Coleman, is a resident of Riverdale Park and has managed the market for ten years. Although he's paid for only a part-time position, Jim's service has made the market the Riverdale Park "go to" destination on Thursdays. Every week during market hours, Jim processes Maryland Market Money Program transactions.



## Town Government Support

The Town of Riverdale Park supports market operations by:

- Providing tables, chairs, tents, trash cans, barricades, and signs
- Providing staff to set up signs and barricades on market days
- Providing a grant of \$3000 per year to the Maryland Farmers Market Association, who match the funds that enable the Maryland Market Money program for qualified persons.
- Providing a monetary grant of \$10,800 per year for operating expenses (not to include employee wages or expenses)

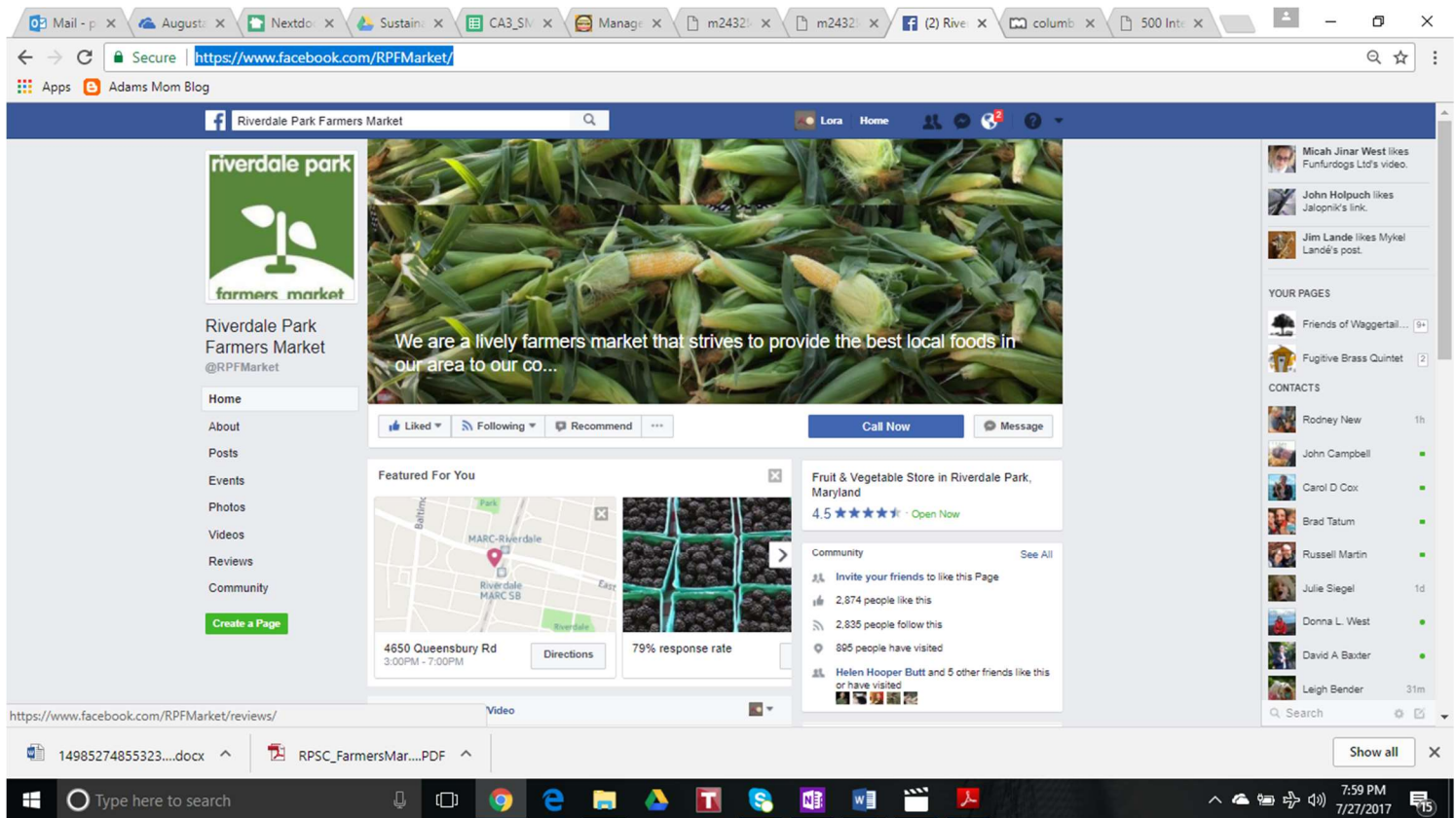
## Operating Expenses Summary

The 2017 budget for the Market lists revenue of approximately \$29,000, comprised of annual vendor commitments, program grants and Winter market revenue. Total 2017 Market expenses resulting from operating costs and variable expenses total approximately \$30,000. With a 2017 opening balance of over \$3,000, the RP Market anticipates a closing balance for 2017 at just under \$2000.

## Promotion

Here are some of the outreach channels for the market.

- The Riverdale Park Farmers Market is promoted on social media at <https://www.facebook.com/RPFMarket/> and also through an email ListServ. To subscribe, visit <http://riverdale-park.org/mailman/listinfo/rpfarmersmarket> or, via email, send a message with subject or body 'help' to [rpfarmersmarket-request@riverdale-park.org](mailto:rpfarmersmarket-request@riverdale-park.org)



- The RP Market is a member of the Maryland Farmers Market Association (<http://www.marylandfma.org/>) The Maryland Farmers Market Association (MDFMA) was founded in 2012 to connect people with Maryland farmers markets and to provide resources and coordinated services to market managers, farmers and consumers alike. A statewide nonprofit, the MDFMA operates programs to provide access to healthy local food for all and improve the quality of and transparency at Maryland farmers markets.

The screenshot shows the website [www.marylandfma.org/members/member-highlight/](http://www.marylandfma.org/members/member-highlight/). The header includes the Maryland Farmers Market Association logo, a site search bar, and navigation links: About Us, Events, Marketplace, Volunteer, and Contact. The main navigation bar features links for Resources, Members, Blog, Programs, and Donate.

On the left sidebar, under the "MEMBERS" section, there are links for Membership Levels, Member Services, Farmers Market Member Listing (highlighted), and Apply for Membership. Below this are buttons for "FOR FOOD LOVERS", "FOR FARMERS", and "FOR MARKET MANAGERS". Further down is an email sign-up section titled "GET EMAIL UPDATES!" with a text input field and a "SIGN UP" button. At the bottom of the sidebar is a "FROM THE BLOG" section with links to "Get FED! is here!", "GetFED! with tomatoes", and "A Bicycle Built for Food (or, Bike to Market Day is Back!)", followed by a "MORE BLOG POSTS" link.

The main content area is titled "FARMERS MARKET MEMBER LISTING" and features a large image of green leafy vegetables. Below the image is a list of member markets, including:
 

- HAMPDEN FARMERS MARKET
- HOLLYWOOD FARMERS MARKET AND DOWNTOWN COLLEGE
- PARK FARMERS MARKET
- HOWARD COUNTY FARMERS MARKETS
- HYATTSVILLE FARMERS MARKET
- KEMP MILL FARMERS MARKET / CO-OP
- KENT ISLAND FARMERS MARKET
- MAGOTHY FARMERS MARKET AT BIG VANILLA
- MARVA HARVEST
- MONTPELIER FARMS LLC
- PIGTOWN COMMUNITY FARMERS MARKET
- PINEY ORCHARD FARMERS MARKET
- PORT TOWNS FARMERS MARKET
- RIVERDALE PARK FARMERS MARKET
- ROCKVILLE FARMERS MARKET
- SOFTWINE / KEMP MILL FARMERS MARKET & CO-OP
- STATE CENTER COMMUNITY FARMERS MARKET
- TAKOMA PARK FARMERS MARKET
- THE SPOON AND BOWL
- VILLAGE FARMERS MARKET
- YMCA OF FREDERICK COUNTY FARMERS MARKET

 The list is dated "as of March 25, 2015" and includes contact information: "P.O. Box 6356" and "INFO@MARYLANDFMA.ORG". A red arrow points to the "RIVERDALE PARK FARMERS MARKET" entry in the list.

The footer contains social media links for Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Google+, a "GET EMAIL UPDATES" button, a site search bar, and a "GO" button. Navigation links for Resources, Members, Programs, and About Us are also present.

- The RP Market advertises in the Hyattsville Life and Times

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**ANNIVERSARY PARADE**

(Far left) Hyattsville residents show off their derby cars at the 131st anniversary parade. COURTESY OF TOYIN AKINWANDE

Caroline Gregory (left) and Sarah Field (right) dance to music performed by Vybe Band. COURTESY OF GUILLAUME PIERRE-LOUIS

**Church of God and Saints of Christ**  
 4203 Farragut Street, Hyattsville, Maryland  
 Pastor: Evangelist Samuel Wade

Time of Services:  
 Beginning of the Sabbath: 7:30pm - 9:30pm  
 Sabbath Service (Saturday) 11:00am to Sunset

*Psalm 71:4-5*  
 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand  
 of the wicked, out of the hand of the  
 unrighteous and cruel man. For thou art my hope,  
 O Lord God: thou art my trust from my youth.

**riverdale park farmers market**

**Come over on THURSDAYS, 3-7 PM**  
 to enjoy our new vendors and great local music for free.

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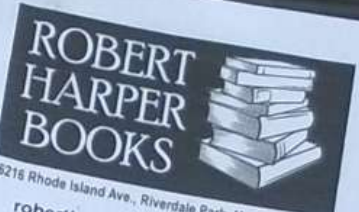
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## RP Farmers Market in Pictures







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 AUGUST 2017

<p><u>Tuesdays and Wednesdays in August</u></p> <p><b>BUY ONE GET ONE FREE</b>          (white-stickered books only)</p> <p>Mention this ad at checkout.</p> <p>Hours TUE-WED 11-5          THURS-SAT 11-7</p>	<p><b>Children's Storytime</b>          with Miss Nancy from PGCMCL  <b>Every Thursday at 4:00 pm</b>  <b>FREE!</b>          Fruit snack included</p>
<p><b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b>          \$15 Cover unless otherwise noted          Coffee, tea, and refreshments served</p> <p>Sat., July 29 – <b>Tool Shed</b> 8 - 10 pm          Sat., Aug. 5 – <b>Jesse Magenta &amp; Friends</b>          7:30 - 10:30 pm          Thur., Aug. 17 and 31 – <b>LuLaRoe Clothing Popup</b>          5 - 6 pm          Sat., Aug. 19 – <b>Third Saturday Readings</b> 2-4 pm          Sat Aug 19 – <b>Car Pool Party</b> 8-10 PM          Thur., Aug. 24 – <b>Jeff Smith &amp; Friends</b> 8 - 10 pm</p> <p>Please go to  <a href="http://www.facebook.com/robertharperbooks/events">www.facebook.com/robertharperbooks/events</a>          to learn more about each artist.          Call 301-927-1963 to reserve a seat.</p>	<p>September events must be scheduled by August 15th to be in our next newsletter.</p> <p>Email us to add your name to the distribution list.          .....          Support our business partners:</p> <p><b>Apollo Hair Salon</b>          6214 Rhode Island Ave.          Mon, 11-7          Tue.-Thurs. 10-7          Fri. 10-7:30          Sat. 9-8          Sun 10-5          First-time Customers 10% off          301-605-3999</p>
<p><b>RPAC (Riverdale Park Arts Council)</b>  <b>Music Series at</b>  <b>Riverdale Town Center Market</b>          7:00 pm</p> <p>Sat., Aug. 2 – <b>Marcellino Jazz Trio</b>          Sat., Aug. 9 – <b>Morales Flute &amp; Clarinet Duo</b></p> <p>Beer, Wine &amp; Great Music!</p>	<p><b>CONSIGNMENTS AND DONATIONS WELCOME</b></p> <p><b>THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!</b>  <b>WE MEET AMAZON'S PRICE!</b></p>









# 2016 Riverdale Park Farmers Market Guidelines



- 1) This is a "producers only" market.
- 2) This is a "local only" market. Products must be from the Chesapeake Bay watershed region, preferably within a 150-mile radius from Washington, DC.
- 3) **Vendor visits:** It is a policy of the market to conduct regular visitations to the production locations of all vendors. Each participant in the market may be asked to take part in one or more visitations of fellow vendors.
- 4) **Vendor certification:** All vendors at the market will, by applying, agree to allow inspection of their farms and production facilities as a means of assuring compliance with the "producer only" and "local only" rules, and thereby establishing their vendor certification:
  - a) New vendors will be inspected prior to joining the market.
  - b) Continuing vendors will be re-inspected every 3 years.
  - c) Vendors with certification from other area markets will be accepted as certified by Riverdale Park markets when deemed appropriate.
- 5) **Vendor fees:** This category is now covered on the application. Each vendor is expected to report all WIC & SNAP transactions.
- 6) **Compliance:** Vendors agree to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local governmental laws and regulations.
- 7) **Permits:** It is the vendors' responsibility to secure all required state, county or municipal permits.
- 8) **Insurance:** The overall market will be covered by a general liability insurance policy. Farmers and food vendors are required to carry their own general liability insurance for market operations. Product liability insurance for farmers and food vendors is strongly recommended. Other vendors are strongly encouraged to get general liability insurance for market operations.
- 9) **Scales** used at the market must be registered with and inspected by the Maryland Department of Agriculture's Weights and Measures Section prior to their use at the market.
- 10) All vendors using more than one 10x10 tent must submit a copy of the **fire retardant certification from the canopy manufacturer** attached to their application for the market, as a condition of the County temporary U & O application.
- 11) **Unexcused absences** have a serious negative effect on consumers' opinion of the market. Unexcused absences are any absence that is discretionary. Therefore, unexcused absences will **incur the minimum fee in effect for the season.**
- 12) **Timely notice:** To facilitate orderly daily layout of the market(s), vendors are requested to notify the Market Coordinator **48 hours in advance** when they plan to begin participation in a given market. They are also asked to notify the Market Coordinator when they plan to discontinue participation for the season.
- 13) The Market Advisory Board may, at its discretion, bar certain non-fresh produce items for sale at the market. See the stipulation section for further explanation of the items covered.
- 14) **CSA's:** Vendors approved to sell at the RPFM may:
  - a) include in their CSA distributions any food they grow or items from other farmers at the market.
- 15) **Use of agricultural terms.**
  - a) Use of the word "organic" in any form by vendors on signs, cards, price listings, etc., is restricted to the following vendors:
    - i) Those who are certified under provisions of the Maryland Department of Agriculture's Organic Certification Program. A grower from states other than Maryland who are certified by a recognized certification program accepted by USDA. In such cases,

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growers will be required to show written proof of such certification for the current season.

- ii) Use of the terms "transitional", "Certified Naturally Grown", "Grown using GAP", and "Grown with Integrated Pest Management" must be documented and verifiable also.
- 16) **WIC Coupon Program**: Vendors participating in the WIC Coupon Program have the following requirements:
  - a) The WIC sign must be displayed at the vendor's stand.
  - b) The vendor must be properly signed into the program for the market involved prior to accepting coupons.
  - c) The vendor agrees to report on all WIC transactions conducted on a weekly basis.
- 17) All vendors need to provide **receipts for all seed purchases**.
- 18) All vendors need to provide a **copy of the deed to the property that crops are grown on for the season**.
- 19) **Nursery stock** offered for sale must be from operations in compliance with the Maryland Department of Agriculture's nursery inspection and certification program.
- 20) **Eggs**: Anyone wishing to sell eggs at the market must be **in compliance with the Maryland Egg Law's Egg Inspection Program and supply the packer registration number on the application form for the market**.
- 21) **Leased ground**: Producers are permitted to lease ground for the production of items to be sold at market. All leased ground must be disclosed on their seasonal application prior to opening of the market. Information to be provided in this disclosure shall include the following: descriptive address of the leased ground; name and address of the lessor; description of the size of the leased ground; and the crops to be produced on it. The lease must be in writing and made available to the Market Advisory Board upon request.
- 22) Management of the market reserves the right to **remove any spoiled or off-condition product from sale**.
- 23) **Crop Loss/Disaster**: In the event of a vendor suffering a total crop loss due to weather, fire, insects, plant disease or vandalism and thus is prevented from taking part in the market, no fill-in supply arrangements will be permitted such as through leasing crops already in production, etc. The vendor will not be penalized as to loss of seniority and will be permitted to return to the market the next season. If the crop loss occurs prior to the vendor's normal participation time, any dues paid for the season will be returned to the grower. If a grower suffers total crop loss during his or her active participation at market and thus is forced to drop out of the market, season dues already paid will be rebated to them on a pro rata basis.
- 24) **Market Coordinator and Market Advisory Board**: Each market will have a designated "Market Coordinator" whose duty is to oversee orderly operation at the market and see that market rules are being observed. The Market Coordinator has the authority to direct vendors to comply with provisions of the market rules.
  - a) Appeals of decisions of the Market Coordinator are to be directed to the market advisor and/or Market Advisory Board (see: Market Stipulations).
  - b) The market may have a "Market Advisory Board" (see: Stipulations). This group works with market sponsors to develop and maintain policies to ensure an orderly and successful market.
- 25) **Booth Appearance**:
  - a) Vendors are required to maintain their stands in a neat and orderly fashion including **maintaining clean and fully operable canopies each week**, and all vendors will be held responsible for removing all dirt and debris from their stall area at the end of each

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market day.

- b) **Canopies:** are preferred for vendors. **It is the responsibility of the vendor to secure their canopies.**
  - c) **Signs:** Vendors are required to have a sign at their stand each week identifying their farm or firm and listing the town of the operation. The sign must be legible with lettering at least three inches high.
  - d) **Price Posting:** All prices must be posted in writing in 2 inch letters at the market, be legible, orderly, and visible to customers at all times.
  - e) **Safety:** All vendors are required to operate their stands in a safe manner so that customers do not trip or fall over produce, tables, boxes, etc. or slip on liquid spills, etc. Vendors are required to make immediate safety changes when directed to do so by the Market Coordinator or the Market Advisory Board.
- 26) **Market Hours:** The market will adopt stated and posted operating hours at the beginning of each season (see: Market Stipulations). The Market Coordinator and/or the Market Advisory Board must approve any departure from these listed hours in advance.
- 27) Vendors who pay market fees prior to market opening day will qualify for **assigned spaces** whenever possible. Rules governing assigned space policy are as follows:
- a) It is in everyone's interest to have a neatly laid out and compact market operation.
  - b) Day-to-day layout of the market will be at the discretion of the Market Coordinator.
  - c) In the event a seasonal vendor is not coming to market on a given day, the Market Coordinator should be notified in writing **three days before the market session** so the space can be allocated to other vendors for the market day if needed.
- 28) Vendors wishing to use their reserved spaces at a market must arrive no later than **30** minutes before market opening. After that time, the Market Coordinator may, at his discretion, assign that space for the day to someone else.
- 29) **Weather.** Each market day will take place as scheduled unless **severe weather** prevents the market from opening. Every effort will be made to inform both vendors and customers of any and all cancellations of market hours.
- 30) **Fulfilling Produce Market Demands:** First priority for filling new or replacement product lines at the market will be from existing farmers (assuming the farmers produce the products on their farms), followed by those farmers on the waiting list. Replacement market slots will be filled by product line. Participating farmers in the market will bring forward any and all concerns regarding product lines to board members (including three farmers) who will vote on each proposal to fill market niches made available by someone dropping out of the market or to fulfill market demands.
- 31) **Fulfilling Vendor Market Demands:** First priority for filling new or replacement product lines at the market will be from existing vendors (assuming the vendors produce the products at their place of business), followed by those vendors on the waiting list. Replacement market slots will be filled by product line. Participating vendors in the market will bring forward any and all concerns regarding product lines to board members (including three farmers) who will vote on each proposal to fill market niches made available by someone dropping out of the market or to fulfill market demands.
- 32) **Complaints:** In the case of a complaint about alleged violations of the producers' only rule, the market's policy is as follows: All complaints must be in writing and signed by the complainant. The complaint is to be given to the Market coordinator who will then bring it to the attention of the Market Advisory Board. A written report of the inspection, signed by all members of the inspection committee will be promptly given to the Market Advisory Board for action. Such inspections will take place as soon as possible following the complaint. The

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inspection committee is required to notify the subject of the complaint and to make arrangements with that party for the inspection. Any vendor refusing to allow an inspection shall forfeit the right to participate in the market for the remainder of the season. No market dues will be refunded in such cases.

- a) **Market Schedule:** All vendors need to fill out a schedule for their appearances at the market. Once returned, any discrepancies with the current schedule must be cleared with the Market coordinator.
- 33) Watermen, aquaculture producers and certified organic growers are encouraged to sell their catch/product at the market.
- 34) **Temporary Acquisition Agreements:** - At the request of the Market Coordinator and under the circumstances of a temporary nature within a season when a particular necessary and requested farm product is unavailable or in high demand, a vote will be taken to consider acquiring the farm based product in question until such time as a permanent farm based producer can be found to sell the product that's needed at the market. Once the permanent farm is established as a market vendors, the temporary acquisition agreement will be null and void. In every case, all other market rules that govern products sold at the market will be enforced.
- 35) **Surveys:** Businesses and consumer/customer surveys will be conducted from time to time. Vendors agree to cooperate in such surveys.
- 36) **Alcohol:** Alcohol purchased at the market will only be available for sale through local producers or permitted local value added producers. Once properly permitted, samples may be available to producer customers and their prospects only. Any consumed alcohol and its inherent liabilities are automatically transferred from the seller to the consumer as part of their transaction.
- 37) **Waiting List:** The market will have a waiting list policy as follows: All new applicants to the market will be placed on a markers waiting list if they are not admitted immediately to the market. This list will be kept in writing with copies available from the Market Coordinator. Name, address, telephone number and brief description of their product line will note each person on the list. The date they were placed on the list will be included in their listing. Prior to each new market season each person on the waiting list will be asked if he or she wishes to remain on it.
- 38) **Stipulations:** Any addition or omission by a vendor to his/her product line must be provided in writing to the Market Coordinator one week before the proposed date of sale~ Any additions and omissions of product must be approved by the Market Coordinator.

**2017 Riverdale Park Farmers Market Application**  
**Operating address: 4650 Queensbury Road, Riverdale Park, MD 20737**  
**Mailing Address: 4911 Somerset Road, Riverdale Park, MD 20737**

I/We apply for membership in the Riverdale Park Farmers Market.

My space for this year will be: 10x10\_\_\_; 10x20\_\_\_;10x30\_\_\_. Configurations must be coordinated with the market manager.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pay my fees on a Week-to-week basis @ \$25/wk. for the month of April 2017. The new fee structure starting on the first Thursday in May will be a minimum of \$28/week or 6% of sales for farmers or 8% of sales for non-farm vendors (currently with no maximum). I also accept that payment will be due the next week. If a vendor chooses to take a week off from the market (when the vendor or a relative is not sick, the space fee will be due the next week as though the vendor was present. If a vendor does not pay the following week, an additional \$10 will be due weekly as long as the vendor is in arrears.

Signature is proof of agreement to all terms both in the application and guidelines documents.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ -

PLEASE PRINT (Applicable to all businesses)

Principal Business

Owner(s):\_\_\_\_\_

Company Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Farm or Business (if different)

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Sales Tax Number (for non-food items): \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby promise to obtain general liability insurance for my business, add Riverdale Park Farmers Market to insured parties and furnish an insurance certificate two weeks prior to the season opening date. Initial Here x\_\_\_\_\_ .

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I understand that all operations are subject to a visit by the Market Coordinator at least once every three years for the purpose of compliance with good practices determined by a nationally recognized governing authority. Initial Here x\_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby promise to obtain all necessary permits and licenses, and comply with all state, county, municipal, and federal regulations on my products and their sale. Initial Here x\_\_\_\_\_.

I plan to attend every week: Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

I plan to be at the market on the following dates:

\_\_\_\_\_.

I plan to be absent from the market on the following dates :

\_\_\_\_\_.

This information is correct to the best of my knowledge and I will comply with all rules and market guidelines.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**FARM PROFILE (if applicable)**

I expect that I will have products for sale beginning \_\_\_\_\_, and ending \_\_\_\_\_.

I will pay my fees on a: Week-to-week basis \_\_\_\_\_ My 2017 growing will be done on \_\_\_\_\_ number of acres.

I have irrigation capacity \_\_\_\_\_.

I have greenhouse capacity \_\_\_\_\_.

I use hot houses \_\_\_\_\_.

I lease ground: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If so, please detail on an attached sheet.

I consider my fruit and vegetable growing operation to be:

Conventional \_\_\_\_\_ IPM \_\_\_\_\_ Limited organic \_\_\_\_\_ Full organic \_\_\_\_\_

I have applied for organic certification: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ I am certified: Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
No \_\_\_\_\_

Other certifications I've acquired or other professional associations I belong to:

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If certified, by which agency or organization \_\_\_\_\_

The information contained above is correct to the best of my knowledge and I will comply with all market rules and guidelines.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

**VENDOR (Non-farmer) Profile**

If I sell prepared food products, I will **make every effort to obtain my food products from family farms within 150 miles of the operating location with good environmental, employment and farming practices.** If I make crafts, I will **make every effort to obtain my raw materials from manufacturers within 150 miles of the operating location with good environmental and employment practices.**

I sell (brief description)

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All non-farm vendors are

I comply with all state, county, municipal, and federal regulations on my products and their sale: Initial Here: \_\_\_\_\_ .

My products are sourced through:

This is how I process my products for sale:

Market products you will have available:

Apples		Corn:		Leeks		Potatoes:	
Apricots		-Sweet		Lettuce:		-Red	
Asparagus		-W/y		-Head		-Sweet	
Arugala		-Indian		-Leaf		-White	
Baked goods		Crepes		Mixed meats		Pottery	
Beans:		Cucumbers		Melons:		Pumpkins	
-Lima		Eggplant		-Cantaloupe		Radishes	
-Black		Eggs		-Watermelon		Rhubarb	
-String		Flowers (cut)		-Other		Rutabagas	

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-Butter		Flowers (roots)		Mushrooms		Salad mix	
Beets		Figs		Nectarines		Scallions	
Berries:		Garlic		Nuts		Sorbet	
-Blueberries		Ginger products		Okra		Soaps/lotions	
-Raspberries		Grapes		Onions		Squash:	
-Strawberries		Greens:		Oriental vegetables		-Patty pan	
Broccoli		-Beet		Peaches		-Yellow	
Brussels Sprouts		-Chard		Pears		-Winter	
Cabbage:		-Collards		Peas:		-Zucchini	
-Head		-Endive		-English		Syrups (fruit)	
-Chinese		-Kale		-Field		Tomatoes:	
Candles		-Lambs Quarters		-Snow		-Cherry	
Carrots		-Mustard		-Sugar snap		-Plum	
Cauliflower		-Rape		Peppers:		-Regular	
Cheese		-Spinach		-Hot		-Heirloom	
Cherries		Turnip		-Sweet		Turnips	
Cider		Herbs		Plants:		Vinegars:	
Coffee beans		Honey		-Flower		-Herbal	
		Jams/jellies		-Vegetable		-Fruit	
		Jewelry		-Herb		-Other	
		Kohlrabi		Plums			

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Blades Orchard		King Mushrooms
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King Mushrooms		Musachio Produce?
Musachio Produce?		Jack Creek Plants
Jack Creek Plants		Red Chimney Farm
Red Chimney Farm		Baraja's Produce
Baraja's Produce		Victory Chapel Family Farm
Victory Chapel Family Farm		Elk Run Vineyard
Zeke's Coffee Company		Zeke's Coffee Company
Dimitri		Dimitri
Stone Hearth Bakery		Stone Hearth Bakery
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Roy & RT's Garden		Roy & RT's Garden
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## Today's Topics:

1. Weekly Specials - Thursday, June 15 - Sweet Cherries,  
Blueberries & Br?l?e (Riverdale Park Farmers Market)

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Tomorrow : June 15, 2017 3 - 7PM

@: [6204 Rhode Island Avenue, Riverdale Park, MD](#) (next to Riverdale

MARC station) Get your great blueberries, sweet cherries, green beans, bell  
peppers, potatoes, chinese cabbage, spinach, kale, arugula, sugar snap  
peas, some microgreens and other crops while they last. Spring onions,  
apples, fresh and hard cider, apple sauce, pastured meats, raw milk  
cheeses, fresh goat cheese, exotic mushrooms, free range hen eggs (limited

supply), and more while we enjoy the changing seasons. Don't miss it!  
Evening hours are fun at the market! We look forward to seeing you every  
[Thursday from 3 to 7PM at the Riverdale Park Town Center, rain or shine.](#)  
WEATHER: High 84, intermittent clouds and breezy.

Tomorrow's lineup includes the following vendors:

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Old Smokey's BBQ

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Twin Valley Distillers

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Simple Pleasures Ice Cafe

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Prince George's Master Gardeners - MG Walter Kiamitt will present on  
Composting @430PM

Music Acts: Brulee - 5 to 7PM.

Kid fun: Sidewalk Chalk

Feature News:

McCleaf's Orchard will start their sweet cherry season this week!

ECO City Farms <<https://business.facebook.com/ECOCityFarms/?fref=mentions>>  
is back!

After a short hiatus from our CSA program and the Riverdale Farmers Market, ECO City Farms is back and better than ever! With the help of our wonderful friends, volunteers, and interns, a massive overhaul of both our Edmonston and Bladensburg farms is now complete. In three short months the staff at ECO have applied over eight hundred wheelbarrows of compost (more than doubling the growing space at the Edmonston farm), built a new mobile greenhouse for our Bladensburg farm, renovated our kitchen and processing facility, and have nearly completed the construction of our on-site classroom/community center. We look forward to being back at our local market and seeing all of our friends and neighbors this Thursday!

Groff's Content Farm offers great quality sustainably raised beef, pork,  
chicken and lamb

and is featuring Meatball Marinara and Spaetzle on their prepared meal menu.

Jack Creek Plants is making their first appearance of the season..

Dimitri's Olive Oil is back this week.

Maryland Market Money is back with a maximum \$5 per week match on WIC Fruit and Vegetable Checks & SNAP purchases.

We are offering a new option for local businesspeople that complement our food options. One local business per week will be offered a slot at the farmers market to offer services and goods that the market doesn't offer for \$28 per week. We suggest once a month attendance. If you're interested, please contact us.

Prince Georges County Health Department will have WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program vouchers starting tomorrow.

Coming Attractions: Riverdale Park Police Department Chief's Community Advisory Committee (RPPD CCAC) is hosting "Coffee with a Cop" on June 29 from 5 to 7 PM. Red Chimney Farm may be coming back on a guest vendor basis.

Many new vendors will premiere this season.

We're outdoors from this Thursday through November with our neighbors, friends, and vendors. As always, it will trickle along until the weather stays warm for a while and more things come up from the ground. It's still an exciting time of year, even if it takes a while to get going.

Important Notices:

Food safety notice: Due to our county's health department regulations, dogs are no longer welcome at the farmers market. We love dogs but had too many incidents.

Important note about parking: only parallel parking is allowed on Maryland Ave (the road that passes under East-West Highway) -- please do not park in any other manner.

Got ideas for improvements? Talk to or email Jim Coleman and share your thoughts! We can do it: change begins in Riverdale Park!

Bring Your Own Bag! We are also interested in making sure folks know about us on Yelp and other sites. Shameless Promotion: Check us out on Twitter, Facebook, and now instagram!

Our favorite nationally known local food site, localharvest.org is always looking for more reviews of the market.

Send us your recipe with local ingredients and we'll put the best recipes in next week's newsletter and give you a \$10 Fruits & Veggies gift certificate from the market!

Facebook wants reviews of our market. Please tell your faves about our market! If you dislike something, please tell us, rpkmfarmmkt@gmail.com.

As one customer recently told us, "Riverdale Park is the fun market!" Each week we offer live music by award winning local artists, kids' entertainment, and a wide selection of fresh produce and specialty items sold directly by Maryland farmers. Held at our town center, 6204 Rhode Island Avenue, Riverdale Park, MD

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