



Dear Farmers' Market Prospective Vendor:

The Stickney Township Farmers' Market Committee would like to invite you to be a vendor at our first Farmers' Market this season. The Stickney Township Farmers' Market mission is to improve the health of our residents while providing a venue where local farmers, producers, crafters and artisans can come together to provide a variety of fresh produce and related products directly to our residents and visitors. We have a committee working hard to bring this initiative to our community and we are hoping you could be a part of this inaugural season.

The Farmers' Market will be held every Wednesday from 2pm-7pm beginning the third week of June through the second week of October. A market schedule is attached. The market will be located in the Stickney Township building parking lot at 5635 State Road in Burbank, Illinois.

The Stickney Township building parking lot is an ideal location for a Farmers' Market. It has over 50 employees at this site and provides a variety of services to thousands of residents each year. The Stickney Public Health District building is conveniently located on State Road serving as a main traffic thoroughfare. The City of Burbank is home to approximately 29,000 residents and share borders with the cities of Oak Lawn, Bridgeview, Bedford Park and Chicago. It is expected that market attendance will be high given the large number of potential market consumers and the convenient and highly visible location of the market.

In an effort to bring high quality produce to our community and support our local farmers, we are asking all products sold at the market must be from the five-state region of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin. All products sold by a specific vendor must be grown by that vendor. Purchasing from a wholesaler is not allowed under any circumstances.

Vendors that are interested in selling at the Stickney Township Farmers' Market are encouraged to complete and submit the attached application. The fee for each 17' x 17' (2 parking stalls) space is a \$175.00 deposit for the entire market season. Market vendors that participate in at least 15 of the 18 market days will be refunded \$50.00 for their participation and commitment to the market and our community. After the \$50.00 refund, your total space rental fee is only \$125.00 or \$6.94 per market day per market space.

Vendors that will be sampling products at the market, selling potentially hazardous foods that require refrigeration such as cheese, dairy, fish, meats, eggs and/or packaging breads and/or baked goods on-site may also need to complete and submit a Farmers' Market/Seasonal Food Permit Application and pay an additional permit fee. Please make checks payable to Stickney Township. Please mail completed application, fees, and all supporting paperwork to: Stickney Township Farmers' Market, 5635 State Road, Burbank, IL 60459.

For more information about the Stickney Township Farmers' Market please visit www.stickneypublichealthdistrict.org. Please contact Patricia Kulikauskas or Tom Viste by phone at 708-424-9200 or by email at pkulikauskas@stickneypublichealthdistrict.org or tviste@stickneypublichealthdistrict.org if you have questions. We hope you are interested in participating in our market and look forward to seeing you on June 17, 2015 at our Farmers' Market opening day.

Sincerely,

Patricia Kulikauskas
Emergency Response Coordinator
Stickney Public Health District

Tom Viste
Environmental Health Supervisor
Stickney Public Health District

Farmers' Market Season Schedule

The Farmers' Market will be held every Wednesday from 2pm-7pm beginning the third week of June through the second week of October. In an effort to encourage more market participation, the Stickney Township Farmers' Market will also introduce a market theme for each week. Local businesses, government and community partners will help with organizing activities and information.

Market #	Market Date	Market Theme/Focus
1	June 17, 2015	Opening Day- Welcome Party
2	June 24, 2015	Kick Start to Summer
3	July 01, 2015	Stars and Stripes-Happy 4 th of July
4	July 08, 2015	Fun in the Sun and UV Safety
5	July 15, 2015	Fitness is Fun
6	July 22, 2015	Keep Healthy and Get Vaccinated
7	July 29, 2015	Fire Up the Grill
8	August 05, 2015	Eat Your Veggies
9	August 12, 2015	Reduce, Reuse and Recycle
10	August 19, 2015	Back to School – What's in your Lunchbox?
11	August 26, 2015	30 Minute Healthy Meals
12	September 02, 2015	The Great Outdoors
13	September 09, 2015	Emergency Preparedness
14	September 16, 2015	The Mind, Body and Spirit
15	September 23, 2015	Health and Fitness at Every Age
16	September 30, 2015	Fall in the Season-Scarecrow Fest
17	October 07, 2015	Fire Safety and Prevention
18	October 14, 2015	Trick or Treat