

Dear friend,

You are cordially invited to participate in another great year at the BUTLER CITY FARMERS MARKET! Over the last several years, we have experienced a significant growth in the number of customers, sales, and vendors. The Market has become an important part of our community and a significant presence on social media. On many weekends the Market was **filled to capacity** with vendors and we welcomed new vendors and products to our Market community. Evidence of its popularity is the "Extended Market" schedule with vendors continuing business beyond the end of October closing date into the first three weeks of November with limited hours. We are sure we will continue to grow in 2025.

WE ARE EXCITED AND PLEASED THAT DURING THIS SUMMER, THE MARKET WILL UNDERGO AN EXTENSIVE RENOVATION WITH A NEW ROOF, EXTERIOR PAINTING, CONCRETE WORK, AN EXPANDED OUTDOOR VENDOR AREA, LANDCAPING AND THE ADDITION OF BATHROOM FACILITIES. We will do everything we can to minimize any inconvenience and ask your assistance as part of the Farmers Market family in helping us cope with the work that will be going on.

There are several new procedures in place for this year's market and these are also reflected in the "Vendor Standards" included with these materials.

- In an effort to provide a diverse lineup of goods for our customers, we are structuring the schedule this year with preset dates. Especially, as we work through this for the first time, we ask for your cooperation and promise flexibility in helping you plan your summer schedule with us. Contact the Market Manager if you have any questions or need any assistance in filling out the application and setting your schedule.
- This is especially important this year as we cope with the incredible improvements and upgrades that will be part of the Market renovations that will take place throughout the summer.
- It bears repeating that, if you have a pop-up canopy available to you, we can be much more flexible and fair in working around conflicts in scheduling.
- YOU MUST PAY IN ADVANCE IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION FEES AND TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PLACEMENT INSIDE THE MARKET BUILDING. Contact me if you have any problems.
- We have carefully explained in the **Vendor Standards** HOW space is assigned at the Market. Please review this as you plan your summer with us.



OPENING DAY FOR THE MARKET WILL BE MAY  $24^{TH}$  and the Market will continue through November  $1^{st}$ , each Saturday from 8:30AM until 12:30PM.

WE WILL ONCE AGAIN OFFER THE EXTENDED MARKET SCHEDULE. YOU'LL BE CONTACTED ABOUT YOUR INVOLVEMENT AFTER THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON.

Enclosed with this letter are the necessary applications and information that you'll need to reserve your space at the market. These applications are also available on the BUTLER DOWNTOWN website.

YOU MUST FILL OUT THE APPLICATION <u>COMPLETELY AND LEGIBLY</u> AND RETURN IT WITH YOUR PAYMENT. Applications that have not been filled out fully and correctly will be returned to you and must be resubmitted.

Return your application and payment to:
Butler Downtown/City Farmers' Market c/o Bob Dandoy, Mngr.
431 North McKean Street Butler, PA 16001

Checks should be made out to "Butler Downtown".

FOR ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS AND MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT BOB DANDOY AT BDANDOY@ZBZOOM.NET OR (724) 282 - 1362.

Bob Dandoy, Market Manager