

# Capital City Farmers Market

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Thank you for considering the Capital City Farmers Market! The market experienced 16% growth last season for a total of \$496,110 in sales between May and October. This year we also added a Winter Farmers Market, which has been going very well. We are looking forward to another great season!

In an attempt to streamline the process for the growing number of market seasons we are managing, a **single application to cover the Regular Season Market, the Thanksgiving Market, and our new Winter Market. This will be the only application you will fill out for the entire year.** Your market letter this season will give your acceptance status for all markets. Payment for the Thanksgiving Market and the Winter Market will be due 6 weeks prior to the individual market start dates and will confirm your participation in these markets. At this time, if you are unable to participate, you can withdraw your application without penalty.

**The regular deadline for returning applications is January 31<sup>st</sup>.** Applications received after this date will be considered for any spaces not yet filled and/or put on the substitute list to fill-in for cancellations throughout the year.

**Please make sure to review:**

- Ø the application
- Ø market rules and policies, bylaws, and an explanation of how the point system works
- Ø maps of the markets

At the regular season market, the single space size is 10 linear feet, and double spaces, 20 ft, can also be requested. Please consider how much space you actually need. We want the market to look full and abundant. If you cannot fill 20 feet, please consider requesting 15 feet instead. Like wise, 5 feet instead of 10. This will not only make our market more attractive to customers, it will also allow us to include a greater diversity of vendors. We will do our best to accommodate everyone. **Be aware that most new vendors do not get their choice of spots at the market. Indicating what area of the market you prefer or needs you have is very helpful.**

**Please remember to include your \$10 new applicant fee.** This is a one-time, non-refundable fee. **Do not** include a membership fee. If your application is accepted, you may pay your membership at that time.

***PLAN FOR NEW MARKET SITE DEVELOPED AT ANNUAL MEETING!!!***

The farmers market membership approved a plan for moving the market to a new location as early as 2009. The plan states that the market board should pursue moving to State Street in front of the Capitol as a first choice. State Street, between Main and Elm would be a back-up option. Also, the market will continue discussion with the City of Montpelier about developing the Confluence Park and Transportation Center as a permanent home for the market.

Thanks for your support and cooperation! Buy Local!

Jessie Schmidt, market manager