

## Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor 2025 Farmers Market Agreement

**History:** In the 1940s, Mrs. Frances Nash cultivated a thriving vegetable garden at 36 Potter Street, providing the neighborhood and friends with fresh, organic produce. In 2022, the Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor initiated a project, supported by generous sponsors, to supply fresh produce to nearby residents and workers. Every Tuesday from June to October, the Corridor distributed 30 free CSA shares, revealing a strong demand for healthy food options in the community. Participants expressed a desire for a local farmers market or grocery store. In response, we launched a full farmers market in 2023, welcoming five weekly vendors from June to October to provide affordable food options for the community.

**2025 Market Operators:** The **Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor Commission** (The Corridor), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, partners with **Buffalo Go Green** to operate a farmers market named Mrs. Frances Nash's Garden Basket. The Corridor assigns a dedicated market manager responsible for ensuring the market's smooth operations There is no fee to join the market. Vendors must submit the vendor agreement, found below, and receive a signed copy back from the market manager to begin selling at the market.

**Schedule**: The Farmers Market is scheduled every **Tuesday from June 3rd to October 14th, 2025**, running from **4:30 pm to 6:30 pm**. The market takes place at 119 Broadway and Elm. The market operates in all weather conditions. However, vendors should communicate with the market manager if severe weather threatens the safety of staff or visitors.

## **Market Day Logistics:**

- Vendors may arrive up to 1 hour before the market starts to begin setup and must stay through the end of the market hours.
- All tables, chairs, and tents must be brought and set up by the start of the market's opening by the vendor.
   Vendors may leave early only under extenuating circumstances and with the permission of the market manager.
- Vendors must notify the market manager no later than 4 hours before market time if they will be absent from the market.

Payment Methods: The Corridor encourages all vendors to accept as many payment methods as possible, including: Cash, Credit Cards, SNAP, EBT, Double Up Food Bucks, Farmers Market Nutrition Program Checks, Fresh Connect Checks, and Mrs. Frances Nash's Garden Basket Coupons. Mrs. Frances Nash's Garden Basket Coupons are sponsored by the Corridor. Vendors that choose to accept these coupons are asked to submit them to the Market Manager for reimbursement at the close of each market day. Checks are issued every two weeks for the collected coupons.

**Contact Information:** Any questions related to this agreement or the market in general should be directed to Audrey Clark at <a href="mailto:aclark@michiganstreetbuffalo.org">aclark@michiganstreetbuffalo.org</a> or (716)322-1002 ext 102.

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## **Contact Information:**

Farm/Vendor Name	Contact Name	
Address	Town/City	Zip Code
Phone Number	Email	
Website		
Product Information:  1.) Please list which crops (fruits/vegetables) you	ou plan on offering.	
2.) Other products you plan to offer (such a processed foods, prepared foods, juices, coffee		•
3.) Do you grow/make all the products that you ☐ Yes ☐ No	offer?	
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Certificates/Licenses: I can provide	e the following certificates and licenses	
☐ Sales Tax Certificate		
<ul> <li>Ability to provide general liability coverage in the amount of \$1 million dollars and name the MSAAHCC as additional insured. A current certificate must remain on file with the market</li> <li>All appropriate permits as required for items being sold (ex. health permits, 20c Exemption farm winery permits, nursey license, dairy and meat permits, etc.)</li> </ul>		
☐ Cash		
☐ Check		
☐ Credit Card		
•	the following programs you would be willing to accept payment from. More an be found at https://agriculture.ny.gov/consumer-benefits-farmers-markets	
☐ WIC Farmers Market	Nutrition Program	
☐ Senior Farmers Mark	et Nutrition Program	
☐ NYS Wireless EBT Pi	rograms (SNAP EBT)	
☐ FreshConnect Check	s Program	
Market Manager for reimbursement the collected coupons.   ☐ I choose to accept the ☐ I choose not to accept	ent below we, the applicant, agree to attend Mrs. Frances Nash's Garden	
Name	Title	
Signature	Date	
For Office Use Only: Return of a co	ompleted form signifies acceptance to Mrs. Frances Nash's Garden Basket.	
Name of Corridor Staff Accepting Application	Title	

Date

Signature