



2016 MARKET SEASON

Saturdays June 4th – September 24th
8:00am – 12:00pm

3849 HWY 42 –Downtown @ the
Train Viewing Platform

Welcome Vendors to the 2016 Locust Grove Farmers Market!

The Locust Grove Farmers Market was commissioned to provide local growers an outlet to showcase and market their products; publicize the importance of locally grown products; provide opportunities for presentations and demonstrations related to agriculture, gardening, food safety and preparation; and allow citizens of Locust Grove and the surrounding areas the opportunity to buy healthy, locally grown products to enhance their quality of life.

Below is the application for the Locust Grove Farmers Market. Please complete Sections I & II. Section III is for our office use. We will contact you after we receive your application and go over the information with you. After the application is approved, you will receive a signed copy that will serve as your vendor permit for the 2016 Market Season. If you have any questions, please call Anna Williams at 770-692-2320. You may mail the application to: City of Locust Grove; ATTN: Farmers Market; PO Box 900; Locust Grove GA 30248.

SECTION I: Vendor Information

Vendor/Farm/Company Name: _____

Season Permit: _____ YES _____ NO

Booth Size Needed: _____

Please provide a brief description of all products to be sold:

SECTION II: Contact Information

Main Contact: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Alternate Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

I hereby certify that I have read and agree to abide by the rules of the market set forth in the application and agree to hold harmless from any liabilities The City of Locust Grove, Locust Grove DDA, or Main Street Locust Grove of Georgia, Incorporated and its employees and volunteers.

SECTION III: OFFICE USE

Date of Application Received: _____

Contact Information Verified: _____

Approved: _____ YES _____ NO

If approved, Vendor Permit ID#: _____ Signature: _____

2016 FARMERS MARKET RULES & GUIDELINES

Rules & Regulations for Vegetable, Plant, and Food Vendors:

- Vendors shall be local farmers and gardeners. Home baked goods and agricultural related bath and beauty products are allowed. Entertainment, demonstrations, and presentations shall be allowed with prior approval.
- Products offered at the Market should be the highest quality within the rules and regulations established by the Georgia Department of Agriculture such as, but not limited to: cleanliness, spoilage and product damage.
- Sign-in, payment to vend and set up shall be completed by opening time for the Market (8:00 am). First time vendors will be required to gain Market approval and a vendor permit to sell before opening time.
- Priority for booth spaces will be given to vendors holding a season permit. Only vendors with a season permit can begin to set up prior to 8am. After 8am daily vendors can begin to set up. All booth spaces are on a first come basis.
- **There is no fee for a booth.** A standard booth space will be 10 feet by 10 feet. Additional space should be pre-approved by the Market.
- The Market will be held rain or shine.
- Vendors are responsible for their own messes. Any refuse must be disposed of by the vendor. If refuse is not properly disposed of, the vendor will be subject to a fine of \$25.00.
- Pricing of goods is enforced by the Georgia Department of Agriculture and shall be done by volume or by piece (such as \$3.00 for a pumpkin, or \$4.00 for a quart of blueberries and not by weight).
- Behavior of vendors to consumers will be in a professional manner that fosters a sense of market community and camaraderie. Verbal or physical threats, foul language or gestures are grounds for immediate ejection from the Market and possible permanent expulsion.
- NO SALES SHALL TAKE PLACE BEFORE 8:00AM.
- Vendors should park at areas designated for vendor parking. Vendors are not allowed to vend from vehicles unless otherwise approved in advance of market day on a case by case / need basis.

Additional Information:

- Restroom facilities are not available at this time.
- Vendors are encouraged to hand out information about their farms/gardens or organizations.
- Bill changing will not be available.
- Electricity will not be available at this time.
- Tents, tables and chairs are the responsibility of the vendor.
- There is no guarantee that any vendor will be an exclusive seller of any product. Exclusivity cannot be promised. For certain products only a limited number of vendors will be allowed.

Licensing & Permits:

Proper permits and licenses will be solicited from the county extension and/or Georgia Department of Agriculture. Permits include, but are not limited to the following:

- Processed food permits are available through the Georgia Department of Agriculture and pertain to any food that has been packaged. Proper labeling must accompany packaging.
- Live plant growers license or live plant dealers license available through the Georgia Department of Agriculture. Pre-cut plants and flowers are exempt from the license, while plants and flowers with roots systems must have been in the possession of the dealer for 60 days prior to the sale and proper licensing must be in hand. (This is a State governance, not a local decision).
- To be able to sell dairy, meat or preserved food such as vegetables, salsa, pickles you must have the following attached to your application: Food Handler Permit # (required to serve food), GADA Food Processor's License # (for preserved foods), and Health Dept. Approved Kitchen #, Kitchen address (for processed or preserved foods). Other permits applicable to your business. Attach copies of the following certificates if they apply – CNG Certificate, Egg Candling License, Dairy, Plant License, and Mobile Meat License. Include example of product label demonstrating Dept. of Ag approval.
- Locust Grove Farmers Market permits shall be the signed and approved returned copy of the application and shall be in hand of the vendor at all times during Market