



# Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor 2024 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.

**2024 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 May 28, 2024 to October 8, 2024**, running from **4:30 pm to 6:30 pm**. The market takes place in the parking lot at 136 Broadway, adjacent to the Corridor's headquarters. 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 1.5 hours 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 [aclark@michiganstreetbuffalo.org](mailto:aclark@michiganstreetbuffalo.org) or (716)322-1002 ext 102.

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## Contact Information:

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Farm/Vendor Name	Contact Name
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Address	Town/City	Zip Code
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Phone Number	Email
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Website

## Product Information:

1.) Please list which crops (fruits/vegetables) you plan on offering.

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2.) Other products you plan to offer (such as grains, dairy, eggs, jams and jellies, meats, processed foods, prepared foods, juices, coffee, tea, honey, plants, flowers, baked goods):

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3.) Do you grow/make all the products that you offer?

- Yes  
 No

**Schedule:** Mrs. Frances Nash's Garden Basket runs from May 28, 2024 - October 8, 2024. Please indicate when you plan to start coming to the market and when you are likely to finish.

- I plan to attend the market for the full season.  
 I plan to attend the market for part of the season (please specify time in the next  
 question).  
 I plan to attend the market for part of the season as indicated in my response below (add times you will be available to join the market). \_\_\_\_\_
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**Certificates/Licenses:** I can provide the following certificates and licenses

- Sales Tax Certificate
- 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.
- All appropriate permits as required for items being sold (ex. health permits, 20c Exemptions, farm winery permits, nurse license, dairy and meat permits, etc.)

**Payment Types:** Please check the types of payments you will accept

- Cash
- Check
- Credit Card

**Nutrition Programs:** Please check the following programs you would be willing to accept payment from. More information about these programs can be found at <https://agriculture.ny.gov/consumer-benefits-farmers-markets>

- WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program
- Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program
- NYS Wireless EBT Programs (SNAP EBT)
- FreshConnect Checks Program

**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.

- I choose to accept these coupons and get reimbursed for their value.
- I choose not to accept these coupons.

**Signature:** By signing this agreement below we, the applicant, agree to attend Mrs. Frances Nash's Garden Basket with the terms outlined above.

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Name

Title

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Signature

Date

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**For Office Use Only:** Return of a completed form signifies acceptance to Mrs. Frances Nash's Garden Basket.

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Name of Corridor Staff Accepting Application

Title

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Signature

Date