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Snohomish County Now Accepting Applications for the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program

Program Helps Low-Income Seniors Access Fresh Produce from Local Farmers

SNOHOMISH COUNTY, Wash., April 25, 2023 – Snohomish County is now accepting applications for the 2023 [Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program](#) (SFMNP). SFMNP provides eligible low-income seniors with a free \$80 benefit card to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables at participating farmers markets, farm stores, and farm stands. Benefit cards will be mailed to eligible applicants on a first-come, first-served basis up to available funding. Applications must be received by June 6, 2023.

“The Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program provides low-income seniors better access to fresh, nutritious, unprocessed, locally grown fruits, vegetables, and herbs from local participating growers. It's a win-win by making it easier to add fresh fruits and vegetables for healthier diet while also supporting local farmers and community-supported agriculture programs,” said Cole Caplan, Contracts and Administration Supervisor, Long-Term Care & Aging Unit in the Human Services Department.

Anyone interested can find eligibility information and applications [on this website](#). Applications are available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Ukrainian, Vietnamese, Tagalog, and Korean. Residents can call the Snohomish County Aging & Disability Resource Network (ADRN) at 425-513-1900 for additional languages, and ADRN is also available to answer any questions about the program and help with the application.

The Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program helped 2,000 low-income seniors access fresh produce from local farms in 2022. SFMNP is a vital resource for vulnerable older adults, and it also expands the use of local farmers markets, farm stands, and community-supported agriculture programs.

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Snohomish County Human Services Department helps all persons meet their basic needs and develop their potential by providing timely, effective human services and building community.

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