

2023 Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program

The annual Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) is available to eligible seniors across Allegheny County. Any eligible senior may receive one set of vouchers to be spent at participating farmers markets. One set of vouchers is worth \$50.00 (issued as five vouchers worth \$10.00 each). SFMNP documents are available in Russian, Cantonese, Mandarin, Nepali, Spanish and Braille at senior community centers.

The vouchers may be used through November 30th to purchase produce that is **grown in Pennsylvania or purchased directly from a Pennsylvania farmer**. Examples of Pennsylvania produce are apples, beans, berries, carrots, grapes, melons, spinach and tomatoes. Consumers must spend the entire \$10.00 voucher; change will not be given. Lost or stolen vouchers will not be replaced.

Eligible seniors who are unable to get to a senior center may designate a proxy to pick up their vouchers. An individual can be a proxy for up to four (4) eligible seniors. Proxy forms must be completed in full, signed by both the senior and the Proxy and presented at time of voucher distribution. Incomplete or unsigned forms cannot be accepted. Proxy forms are available at:

- participating senior centers,
- the Allegheny County Area Agency on Aging (AAA) website
<https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Human-Services/Programs-Services/Basic-Needs/Senior-Farmers-Market-Nutrition-Program.aspx>

Eligibility:

- Allegheny County resident
- 60 years of age or older (by December 31, 2023)
- Meet the income guidelines (self-reported):
 - One person household: At or below \$26,973
 - Two-person household: At or below \$36,482*
- Older adults living in a residential facility that provides meals are not eligible to receive vouchers



Distribution Day: Thursday, June 22, 2023

Please be prepared – most distribution sites will have a line to receive vouchers. Additional voucher distribution dates will be scheduled throughout the summer based on voucher supply and demand. Locations, dates, and information can be found at the above website or by calling the SeniorLine at 412-350-5460 or by texting “farmer” to 987987.

