

A community gathering place where good things are happening!

### Who We Are

The market is operated by Northbrook Farmers Market Association, an all volunteer nonprofit, tax-exempt organization incorporated in the State of Illinois.

## **Our Mission**

To support local farmers and artisans by providing an economic outlet, and to serve the Northbrook community by making available for purchase fresh, high-quality produce and other locally made goods for the benefit of all.

## **Our Goal**

To educate residents on the benefits of buying local, eating healthy, and living green, as well as supporting local farming families and entrepreneurs.

## **Our History**

The market was started by a group of volunteers interested in serving the community by bringing the many joys and benefits of a farmers market to the village. We opened on June 24, 2009, in the parking lot of Our Lady of the Brook Catholic Church. The market has since moved to a more convenient downtown location, and has become a mid-week community gathering place where good things are happening.

Today the market is an integral part of the urban-farm link. We offer direct interaction between growers and suburbanites. We are helping to build healthy relationships to our food, land, farmers and community.

### More Than a Market

We partner with local groups and institutions to do good for our community. A few examples:

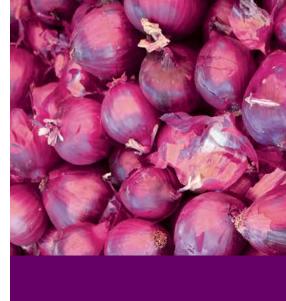
- Collect food and dry goods for the food pantry.
- Provide community service hours for young people in the police social services program.
- Raise money and awareness for local charities through fun events.
- Educate youngsters about nutrition and where their food comes from.
- Promote Earth stewardship.
- Make it feasible for our low-income neighbors to shop for the freshest produce through our SNAP (formerly food stamps) double-value program.

## **How It All Works**

Because we are a volunteer-operated market, and we never charge fees to participate in programs and events, we depend on the generosity of local businesses and institutions to help fund all that we do. We are sincerely grateful to those who have donated over the years. Please keep us in mind for next season!

If you would like to join our Farmers
Market team—by volunteering or
through sponsorship—contact us at
NorthbrookFarmersMarket@gmail.com.
Donations are 100% tax deductible.

Eat Fresh. Shop Local. Save the Earth.



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