

A NOTE FROM The Producer

DEBORAH JORDAN

Welcome to our 14th year. I mark the start of the pandemic from when our dear old beagle, Spud, died. This year has been about both loss and reckoning and getting down to what is essential. Many realized that local food, farmers, and farmers markets are essential.

We continue this work of passion and purpose to support local food sovereignty where people regain control of their sources and create a just system for all. So here are some ingredients for food sovereignty (three of the R words from a virtual fall conference sponsored by Agraria, a regenerative farm in Yellow Springs): resilience, regeneration, and reciprocity. These 3 R's are a recipe for the future:

Resilience – is about springing back or maybe forward.
People are starting gardens; seed companies are selling out.

People are cooking more. Farmers Markets have adapted. Produce Perks, community orchards, and gleaning are making local food more available to all people. There are more creative forms of Community Supported Agriculture. My family gardens, belongs to a CSA and joined a soup club in our neighborhood. We all have a chance to re-emerge from this pandemic and live more sustainably.

Regeneration – Robert Rodale (more R's) coined the term "regenerative organic" to distinguish a kind of farming that goes beyond sustainable. There is more buzz around regeneration, probably because industrial, degenerative agriculture has exhausted the soil and contributed to climate disruption. My family practices regeneration on our 9/10th of an acre yard in Price Hill: no-till gardening with cover crops in the winter, planting natives, composting. A change to regenerative practices will help renew the soil, increase biodiversity, sequester carbon, and restore our hopes for a livable future.

Reciprocity –finally, but woven throughout, is the idea of giving back. The gift must keep on moving as Native people say.

Respecting and rebuilding our mutual exchange with all life - that's what makes a community stronger. We share and barter in my neighborhood. My family expresses gratitude daily for our food and natural sources.

The CORV team once again gives you this food guide as a way to connect with who and what are growing in the region - to build resilience, to highlight regeneration, and to encourage reciprocity. As always – and with gratitude -

Eat. Enjoy. Share.

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It's not just a job, it's a way of life - one of the last adventuresome trades.

- Marvin Barbian, The Barbian Farm, Campbell Co, KY



Rest in peace and integrity - Scott Richardson

Scott Richardson was an old order Mennonite living with his family at Sugartree Ridge Grassfed farm. In his words, written Nov. 30, 2020: "I am not a farmer. I am only a caretaker of cows and bees and horses (work & buggy) and soil microbes and my children and our soil and a thousand plus trees and a flock of chickens and a large pen of hogs. All that I try to do is conduct this menagerie orchestra so that everyone dances together to improve our little ecosystem." While coming home from a market with his horse and wagon, Scott and his horse were killed as the result of a car accident on Feb. 2nd, 2021. We miss him.

CORV'S MISSION

The Central Ohio River Valley (CORV) Local Food Guide covers SW Ohio, Northern Kentucky, and SE Indiana.

The CORV initiative is a grassroots effort to connect community members with local growers and fresh, healthy local food. It aims to promote self-sufficiency, sustainability, and the wise use of resources as we build a vibrant local food system.



WHAT'S SUSTAINABLE?

What's sustainable, or should we say regenerative?
The word "sustainability" can be slippery so some people are now using the word "regenerative."
Regenerative growing and grazing practices are those which are "rebuilding organic matter in the soil and restoring degraded soil biodiversity." Besides the ability to reverse climate change with carbon sequestration, regenerative agriculture improves the water cycle, restores ecosystem health, and therefore positively impacts our health. And don't we want our children's children to thrive?

We accept a range of growing practices to encourage conversation about sustainable/regenerative practices. Check out our key to Growing Practices on p. 14.



OUR LOCAL FOODSHED

Anything within a 50 mile radius of downtown Cincinnati is part of the Central Ohio River watershed. We include growers within a 100 mile radius who regularly sell within the 50 mile radius.

Ask your Restaurants, Artisan/Cottage producers, Farmers' Markets, and Grocery Stores to label local and name the source.

To know your food, know your farmer.



WHY DO YOU EAT LOCAL?

Freshness?

Flavor?

Nutrition?

Your health?

Your knowledge of growing practices?

Community connections?

Your connection to the land?

Farmers' working conditions & income?

Crop variety?

The local economy?

Our food security?

The health of the planet?

Because it is fun!?

Let us know what eating local means to you and any thoughts you have on the guide.

Visit us EatLocalCorv.org/Contact-Us



The global pandemic and year of domestic unrest has required many farmers and food professionals to innovate in an uncertain environment of shifting needs. CORV reached out to Dan Divelbiss, founding member of Waterfields, to hear how he's adapted. Dan Divelbiss founded Waterfields in 2013 with his business partners to grow specialty produce for chefs in Cincinnati.

CORV: How were you initially impacted when the pandemic hit?

DD: When restaurants closed dine-in services last March, Waterfields had to give away nearly \$100,000 in produce due to cancelled orders and then suspend operations. Uncertainty was high and our team was meeting constantly to decide when to relaunch. It was tough but when we decided to relaunch in summer,



we were all ready to go. Throughout this time, the managers and staff at Waterfields have been exceptional.

CORV: What did you do during the lull in operations?

DD: There was still plenty of work to do. In addition to making plans for the relaunch, I redesigned our greenhouse

automation to include web-based controls to enable remote and automatic controls based on weather conditions. Our greenhouse manager has since been able to use this system to improve product quality and yields. Additional expansion plans created during the "lull" have begun, and I'm excited about our new capabilities and products. Also, there was time for lots of conversations. In talking to a customer about a meal train we were setting up for a mutual friend, she commented that people in food service always have extra food. Remembering this, and feeling my own financial fragility at the onset of the shutdown, I started a soup club for my neighbors as a side endeavor. It was fun to create and connect with neighbors in this way. It also gave me an excuse to work with one of my friends, Marykate at Mustard Seed Farm CSA, to get a breadth of local veggies in our soups.

CORV: It sounded like the shutdown created space to experiment and innovate.

DD: Yes, some independent design opportunities came up as well. The Southern Ohio Chestnut Company (SOCC) contracted me to consult on and build the control head for the irrigation system at their new 25-acre orchard in Athens county. Working with a commercial perennial farm was a fascinating shift in perspective from the high-turn annual agriculture I had been doing. This in turn led to a design/build engagement with Rust Belt Riders in Cleveland for a compost watering system. And right now I'm preparing for another project with SOCC. This one includes surface water treatment, web-based controls and solar power. Very cool stuff.

CORV: Are there any words of resilience you would like to offer to our readers?

DD: The words from a mutual aid group meeting have stuck with me, "the safest place to store your food is in your neighbor's mouth." Share what you can, plant an extra row in your garden and be open to shifts and new challenges in the coming year.

If you would like to connect with Dan, find him on LinkedIn.



SYMBOLS TO WATCH FOR: Our Donors

FARMERS' MARKETS come in many flavors for many needs, from shop and go, to community hubs. Take your bags, your change, and your curiosity. If you have time, take a friend and look around. Shop early to avoid the crowd or late to possibly get a deal. We encourage markets to have vendors label where their produce is from (especially if not from their own operation) and how it's grown. This is about building relationships with each other and our food and land. (Check Growing Practices p. 14)

Fibonacci's Mt. Healthy

Accepts SNAP/Produce Perks/Credit Cards 11am - 2pm; May 2 - Nov 7 1st Sun. of month 1451 Compton Road, Cincinnati, OH 45231 FibBrew.com

Westside

10am - 3pm; May - Aug. 1st Saturday of the month 3719 Harrison Ave., Cheviot, OH 45211 Winter: Nov. 27

Harvest Home Park, 3961 North Bend Road WestSideMarketCincy.com

MULTIPLE DAYS

◆ Boone County

Accepts Credit Cards/WIC 10am - 5pm; May - Oct. daily 9am - 6pm; Memorial Day and Labor Day 1961 Burlington Pike

Adjacent to Boone County Extension Burlington, KY 41005

BooneCountyFarmersMarket.org

Farmer Produce Market of Cincinnati at Lunken Airport

11am - 6pm; Mon. - Fri. 9am - 5pm; Sat. - Sun. Late April to late fall Wilmer Ave. off of State Rt. 52 Cincinnati, OH 45226

★ Healthy Harvest Mobile Market

Accepts VISA/MC/EBT/FMNP/Produce Perks Mon. - Fri. Year Round Check website for regular locations and times in Cincinnati

★ Liberty Farm Market (and event space)

Accepts Credit Cards/EBT/WIC 10am - 6pm; Wed., Thurs., Sun. Beginning April 1; 10am-8pm; Fri-Sat. 5850 Princeton Rd. Liberty Township, OH 45011 LibertyFarmMarket.com

Nativity Church Tailgate Market

3:30pm - 7pm; June - Oct. Accepts VISA/MC/WIC 5935 Pandora (Pleasant Ridge) at Woodford and Ridge Cincinnati, OH 45213

Highland Heights

3pm - 6pm; June 15 - Oct. 26 Senior Citizen Activity Center, 3504 Alexandria Pk. Highland Heights, KY 41076 Find us on Facebook

Loveland

Accepts EBT/Produce Perks/Credit Cards 3pm - 6:30pm; May 4 - Oct. 26 205 Broadway St., Loveland, OH 45140 LovelandFM.com

Mt. Carmel-Ohio Valley Fruit & Vegetable Grower's

Association

Accept WIC, VISA/MC/Senior FM coupons 2pm - 5:30pm; July - Sept. St. Veronica Church 4473 Mt. Carmel Tobasco Rd. Mt. Carmel, OH 45244 MilfordFarmersMarket.com

Oxford-Uptown (see Sat. listing)

Accepts EBT/WIC 4pm - 7pm; May - Nov. corner of Locust & Wells Mills Drive. Oxford, OH 45056 OxfordFarmersMarket.com Find us on Facebook

Sayler Park

4pm - 7pm; June - Aug. Nelson Sayler Memorial Park 6600 Gracely Dr Cincinnati, OH 45233 Find us on Facebook

Batavia (see Sat. listing)

Accepts WIC 3:30pm - 6pm; July - Oct. Main St. at Depot Ave., Batavia, OH 45103 Find us on Facebook

Blue Ash

3:30pm - 7:00pm; May 13 - Sept. 30 Summit Park 4335 Glendale Milford Rd. Blue Ash, OH 45242 BlueAsh.com

* Fairfield

4pm - 7pm; Apr. 28 - Sept. 29 Winter: 4pm - 7pm Oct. - Apr. (1st and 3rd Wed.) Fairfield Community Arts Ctr. Fairfield, OH 45014 Fairfield-City.org/market Find us on Facebook

Farmers Markets



Accepts Credit Cards
3pm - 7pm; Jun. - Sept.
1080 Highland Ave. Ft. Thomas, KY 41075
Winter: 3pm - 6pm; Oct. 6 - Dec. 15
Spring: 3pm - 6pm; Mar. 31 - May
801 Cochran Avenue
Find us on Facebook

Milford-Ohio Valley Fruit and Vegetable Grower's Association (see Sat. listing)

Accepts WIC, VISA/MC/Senior FM Coupons 2pm - 6pm; July - Oct. Corner of Route 131 & Route 50 Garden Center lot Milford Shopping Center Milford, OH 45150 MilfordFarmersMarket.com

Northside

Accepts Credit Card, EBT/WIC, Produce
Perks, Senior FM Coupons
4pm - 7pm; May - Oct.
4pm - 6pm; Oct. - May
Behind North Presbyterian Church
4222 Hamilton Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45223
NorthsideFM.org
Find us on Facebook

THURSDAY

Centerville

3pm - 7m; May 13 - Oct. 14 892 S. Main St,. Centerville, OH 45458 CentervilleFarmersMarket.com Find us on Facebook

Dixie

Accepts WIC 2pm - 6pm; Apr. 29 - Oct. 28 Lot of Erlanger Baptist Church 116 Commonwealth Ave., Erlanger, KY 41018

Lebanon

3pm - 7pm; Mid May - Mid Oct. Corner of Sycamore and Main Streets parking lot Lebanon, OH 45036 LebanonOhioFarmersMarket.com

4pm - 7pm; May - Oct. 4pm - 6:30pm; Oct.

Find us on Facebook

Winter: 4pm - 6pm; Nov. - Dec. Pre-order; Jan. - April Madeira Presbyterian Church 8000 Miami Ave., Madeira, OH 45243 MadeiraFarmersMarket.com

FRIDAY

Alexandria-Campbell County

3pm - 6pm; June 18 - Oct. 29 Southern Lanes 7634 Alexandria Pike Alexandria, KY 41001 CCFarmersMarket.net

Brookville

Accepts EBT/WIC/Snap 3:30 - 7pm; June - Sept. South end of Main Street downtown Brookville, IN 47012 FoodandGrowers.org/our_programs

◆▼ ★ Lettuce Eat Well on Cincinnati's Westside

Accepts EBT/Produce Perks

Pre-order (only) pick up 4pm - 6pm; April - Nov. 4pm - 6pm; Nov. - April (1st and 3rd Fri.) Back of Cheviot Elementary School 4040 Harrison Ave. on Roswell Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45211

Northminster United Presbyterian Church - Tailgate Market

Accepts VISA/MC/WIC 3:30pm - 6:30pm; June - Oct. 703 Compton Road (Finneytown) Cincinnati, OH 45231

Reading

Accepts EBT/Produce Perks/Credit Cards 4:00 - 7pm; May 21- Sept.24 Corner of Reading and Vine, Reading, OH 45215 Find us on Facebook

SATURDAY

Anderson Township

9am - 12pm; May 15 - Oct. 9 St. Timothy Episcopal Church 8101 Beechmont Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45255 AndersonFarmersMarket.org Find us on Facebook

Batavia (see Wed. listing)

Accepts WIC

9am - 1pm; July - Oct.

Main St. at Depot Ave., Batavia, OH 45103

Find us on Facebook

Batesville

7:30am - 11am; May 1 - Oct. 31 Boehringer and Main Streets Batesville, IN 47006 Find us on Facebook

Clinton County

Accepts EBT, VISA/MC/WIC, Senior FM Coupons 8:30am -12pm; June - Sept. Mulberry St. between Main and Locust 69 N. South Street, Wilmington, OH 45177 ClintonCountyFarmersMarket.com Find us on Facebook

Covington

Accepts EBT, VISA/MC/WIC

9am - 1pm; May - Dec. 3rd and Court Street, Covington, KY 41011 Winter: 9am-1pm; thru April 24 Butlers Pantry Patio 50 East Rivercenter Blvd. Covington KY 41011 Find us on Facebook



The Produce Perks program is Ohio's nutrition incentive program, now serving all Ohioans receiving SNAP. The Produce Perks program provides a dollar for dollar match for SNAP customers when they utilize their SNAP/EBT benefits at participating locations. The program increases affordable access to healthy foods at over 100 farmers' markets, farm stands, mobile markets, CSA's and select grocery retailers statewide. Matching dollars are redeemable for fruits, vegetables, and edible plants. The program empowers consumers, supports local farmers, and sustains regional economies.

Visit ProducePerks.org to find a site near you.

Farmers Markets

Crestview Hills

9am - 1pm; May 8 - Aug. 28 Crestview Hills Town Center (Abuelo's parking lot) Crestview Hills, KY 41017 Find us on Facebook

*** Deerfield Twp.

9am - 12pm; May 1 - Oct. 30 Kingswood Park 4188 Irwin Simpson Rd Mason, OH 45040 **Winter:** 10am - 11am; Nov. - Apr.

3rd Saturday
Market Pavillion
DeerfieldFarmersMarket.com
Find us on Facebook

Delhi

9am - 12pm; May 29 - Aug. 28 Delhi Park 5125 Foley Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45238 Find us on Facebook

Diocesan Catholic Children's Home (DCCH)

10am - 2pm; May 8 - Oct. 30 75 Orphanage Rd., Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017

*** Findlay Market

(see Sun. listing)
Accepts EBT/WIC/Produce Perks
8am - 2pm; Year Round
1801 Race St., Cincinnati, OH 45202
Findlaymarket.org/assistancebenefits
Find us on Facebook

W Hamilton Historic

Accepts Snap 8am - 12pm; May 22 - Oct. 9 101 High St., Hamilton, OH 45013 Find us on Facebook

Independence

8:30am - 1pm; May 1 - Oct. 30 (Next to Courthouse) 5272 Madison Pik Independence, KY 41051 Find us on Facebook

Milford-Ohio Valley Fruit and Vegetable Grower's Association

(See Weds. listing)
Accepts WIC, VISA/MC/Senior FM Coupons
10am - 2pm; June - Oct.
Corner of Route 131 & Route 50
Garden Center lot Milford
Shopping Center Milford, OH 45150
MilfordFarmersMarket.com

⋘★ Montgomery

Accepts EBT/Produce Perks/Credit Cards
9am - 12:30pm; May - Oct.
9609 Montgomery Road
(Montgomery Elem. parking lot)
Montgomery, OH 45242
Winter: 9:30am - 11:30am; Nov. - Dec.
Montgomery Presbyterian Church
9494 ZigZag Road
MontgomeryFarmersMarket.org
Find us on Facebook

Newport-Campbell County

9am - 12pm; May23 - Oct. 31 (next to Pepper Pod Restaurant) 709 Monmouth St., Newport, KY 41071 Find us on Facebook

(see Tues. listing)
Accepts EBT/WIC
9am - 12pm; Year Round
corner of High and Main Streets
Oxford, OH 45056
OxfordFarmersMarket.com
Find us on Facebook

West Chester

9am - 1pm; May 22 - Sept. 25 The Square at Union Centre 9100 West Chester Towne Centre Dr. West Chester, OH 45069 Winter: 2pm - 4pm; Nov. - March. 1st and 3rd Sat. Mulhauser Barn 8558 Beckett Road West Chester, OH 45069 WestChesterOhioFarmersMarket.org Find us on Facebook

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If 10% of the population in our region shifted 10% of their purchases to local food, this would translate to an average of \$15/week per household and \$66 million dollars total in the local food economy.

- Michaela Oldfield, Greater Cincinnati Regional Food Policy Council, Green Umbrella

SUNDAY

** Findlay Market

(see Sat. listing)
Accepts EBT/WIC/Produce Perks
10am - 2pm; Year Round
1801 Race St. Cincinnati, OH 45202
FindlayMarket.org
Find us on Facebook

W Hyde Park

Accepts Credit Cards
9:30am - 1:00pm; May 16 - Oct. 31
and Harvest Celebration
6:30pm - 8:30pm; Nov. 24
Hyde Park Square on Erie Ave.
Cincinnati, OH. 45208
HydeParkFarmersMarket.com
Find us on Facebook

Mariemont

Accepts EBT/Credit cards 10am - 1:00pm; May 16 - Sept. 26 Mariemont Elementary School parking lot 6750 Wooster Pike., Mariemont, OH 45227 Find us on Facebook

₩ Winter Market of Hyde Park

Nov. - May; 10:00am - 1:30pm MadTree Brewing, 3301 Madison Rd. Cincinnati, OH. 45209 Find us on Facebook

A tisket, a tasket - take your reusable basket ... or bags

It is estimated that across the United States, over 100 billion plastic bags are used per year, with the average consumer using 300-500 bags. For the most part, these bags are short-lived or single-use, but can have a lifetime of hundreds of years when they end up in waterways and landfills. Plus much of the plastic does not really decompose, but rather continues to pollute by breaking down into microplastics. So be part of the solution - take your reusable basket or bags to market. Check out Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District for resources. hamiltoncountyrecycles.org



EAT SEASONALLY.

Use CORV's Harvest Guide to learn what produce is in season when. It's easy to get excited when the first strawberries or asparagus appear in the spring but wait a couple of weeks and you will be able to get more for your money. When supply is high during peak season, prices often go down. That is the time to buy larger quantities and preserve for future meals.

Learn how to preserve our local harvest by drying, freezing, pickling or canning. Look for classes and online resources offered by the OSU Extension, UK Extension, Civic Garden Center and others.

PLAN MEALS AROUND LOWER COST FOODS.

Produce that is easy to harvest and store tends to be less expensive per serving than more perishable items. For example, apples cost less per serving than berries. Lower cost veggies include cabbage, carrots, greens, potatoes, sweet potatoes and winter squash.

Cabbage is a great example of a low cost, nutrient dense vegetable that is in season for 6 months of the years and can be used in a variety of ways. A \$3.75 head of cabbage can be used in soups and stews, stir-fries and casseroles. Braise chopped cabbage with other greens and stir into mashed potatoes. Sliced raw and lightly dressed it makes an easy slaw. USDA's MyPlate. gov has plenty of low cost recipes to inspire you.

Protein foods are often the most expensive part of our plate so plan meals using plant proteins like beans or inexpensive animal proteins like eggs. Even though local eggs at a farmers market may cost more than the industrial eggs in the grocery store they are still a nutrition bargain and taste so much better.

KNOW YOUR MARKETS AND GROWERS.

Compare prices between markets and farmers. Browse your market before you buy and you'll get to know which farmers have lower prices. Find out who offers discounts for buying in bulk or for buying "ugly" (blemished) produce. If you shop at the end of market hours you might be able to get some good bargains from farmers who don't want to pack it up.

DON'T THROW YOUR MONEY AWAY.

Prevent food waste by planning your meals and using all parts of the food you buy. Vegetable scraps and peels can be used to make vegetable broth. Broccoli stalks can be shredded into a slaw. The green tops of radishes or beets are delicious sautéed with a little garlic and olive oil. Use leftover veggies to make an omelet or frittata. Keep track of what food you have to use. (see hamiltoncountyrecycles.org/residents/food_waste)

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF SNAP INCENTIVE PROGRAMS.

If you receive SNAP benefits check to see if your state has a fresh produce incentive program like Produce Perks in Ohio or Double Dollars in Kentucky. These programs vary but can help increase the money you have to spend on fresh fruits and vegetables at your local market.

Lauren Lancaster is a registered dietitian and was the Executive Director of the Nutrition Council for over 20 years. Now retired, she is enjoying her time at home preparing lots of local food.



SYMBOLS TO WATCH FOR: Our Donors

The Ohio River Valley is the birthplace of American viticulture (cultivation of grapes), starting with Nicholas Longworth, a lawyer from the Cincinnati area. He saw the potential of the Ohio River Valley to become a major producer of wine and in 1820 he planted the first Catawba grapes.

Elk Creek Vineyards

laci@ecvwinery.com

6570 Vineyard Lane

150 Highway 330, Owentown, KY 40359 502-484-5319 ElkCreekVineyards.com

ORV grown wines, KY produced wines

StoneBrook Winery

Camp Springs, KY 41059 859-635-0111 StoneBrookWinery.com info@stonebrookwinery.com Estate-bottled wines, local meads, Dinners by reservation, rentals available.

Burnet Ridge

6721 Richard Ave. North College Hill, OH 45244 513-522-4203 BurnetRidge.com trillium92@fuse.net Ohio grown wines, Ohio produced wines

Hanover Winery

2121 Mormon Rd., Hamilton, OH 45013 513-863-3119 HanoverWinery.com beth@hanoverwinery.com OH grown wines, OH produced wines

Harmony Hill Vineyards & **Estate Winery**

2534 Swings Corner Point Isabel Rd. Bethel, OH 45106 513-734-3548 HHWines.com wine@hhwines.com Estate-Bottled wines, Ohio produced wine

Valley Vineyards Winery & Brewery

2276 East US Rt. 22 & 3, Morrow, OH 45152 ValleyVineyards.com ken@valleyvineyards.com 513-899-2485 Estate-bottled wines. ORV and Ohio Wines.

Vinoklet Winery

11069 Colerain Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45252 513-385-9309 VinokletWines.com vinokletwinery@fuse.net Find us on Facebook: VinkoletWines Estate-Bottled wines, ORV wines

Woodstone Creek Winery and Distillery

4712 Vine Street, Cincinnati, OH 45217 513-569-0300 WoodstoneCreek.com woodstonecreek@yahoo.com Find us on Facebook Wine, meade and distilled spiritis from local fruit



The taprooms listed below are using five or more local ingredients in their beer and they are listed in chronological order of when they opened.

craft beer

2013 MadTree Brewing MadTreeBrewing.com

2014 Lucky Star Brewing

LuckyStarBrewery.com

2015 Crooked Handle CrookedHandle.com 2015 Urban Artifact

ArtifactBeer.com

2015 Fibonacci Brewing Company FibBrew.com



The Agricultural and Forestry Career Tech Pathway is in its inaugural year at Aiken High School, but the agricultural background of the students and school itself provides the necessary support for the present and future. Aiken High School is situated in College Hill within the Cincinnati Metro area. Historically, the site of the school housed Farmers' College, an agricultural school and an Underground Railroad abolitionist bastion from 1846 until 1885, and serves as the foundation of the reincarnation of the agricultural program at Aiken, today.

Celebrating a two-year anniversary this February, Aiken's agricultural program was renewed by tapping into the diverse cultural experiences of the students themselves. Home to a collection of over 30 countries and as many languages from around the world, the international students of Aiken were invited to apply their knowledge, experiences, and skills to an underused collection of 35 raised beds. Within months the dormant beds sprung to life with the herbs, fruits, and

vegetables synonymous with cultural backgrounds of the students themselves. Simultaneously, Aiken students were engaged in developing the agribusiness centered around the social enterprising standards of sourcing, roasting, brewing, and selling coffee - which many times originated from the same countries of the students themselves.

Spring forward two-years and the youth development program in agriculture at Aiken has grown to include a career tech pathway of 90 international students, a student-led FFA chapter, a philanthropic coffee business, a forward-thinking orchard of 21-fruit

trees, the hatching and raising of chickens, a community-linking natural resource trail, and a "Victory Garden" that continues to defy a global pandemic.

To explore the issue of the impact of youth development programs, our class utilized the graduate research of Joyce Mwakatoga's graduate thesis at The Ohio State University, "Improving Food Production and Food Security in Tanzania through a Youth Development Program in Agriculture." We focused on the eight essential elements of positive youth development programs (based on belonging, mastery,

independence and generosity) and reflected on whether Aiken is providing the opportunities for our students now, so a future in agriculture would be more certain.

The students shared their own thoughts about this experience:

"Our agricultural class gives us opportunities to learn about coffee and learn about plants and trees in our community. We would identify invasive trees and cut them. We would identify orchard and native trees and save them."

"We share our love to our community and to others with our vegetables and fruits. We are working on a trail for students to walk and have a hike, enjoying the fresh air and nature. We bring our cultures together to create a big family with our work that we do."

"The program gives us skills that we can use in our future careers like communication, active listening, teamwork, and how to collect data."

"My experience with Awaken at Aiken is roasting, brewing, and using the money we make to help people in need."

"I know that the healthy food we planted in our garden last year was delivered and eaten by a lot of our students during the summer when we were locked down."



Aaron Parker is an Aiken High School educator. This is one of a number of ag programs at regional schools.



HE CLASSROOM

Sustainable Agriculture Management Certificate

PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE

hands-on, business-oriented foundation for anyone interested in local food production.

> Cincinnati State Heather.Augustine@cincinnatistate.edu (513) 569-1620





New location! Enright Ecovillage, 824 Enright Ave. Price Hill Open Weekends Spring & Fall & by Appointment

♠ Fruit Trees
♠ Nut Trees
♠ Berry Bushes
♠ More

Classes in Permaculture & Sustainability Info@CincinnatiPermacultureInstitute.org 513-569-2579 CincinnatiPermacultureInstitute.org



We need to protect agricultural lands for future generations with a regional agricultural land trust that will hold land for agricultural purposes in perpetuity and provide first-generation farmers with a place to farm.

SYMBOLS TO WATCH FOR: Our Donors

ARTISANAL - Produced by hand in small batches.

COTTAGE PRODUCTS – Home-produced items such as bakery goods, jams, granola, soaps, candy which are not considered potentially hazardous.

Angie Tee's Kitchen

Find us on Facebook angiesatay@gmail.com 513-520-9768

Products: Raw Fermented Authentic Korean Kimchi (Variety of Local Vegetables), Kimchi Juice, Power & Buddha Bowls & Gourmet Soups (mostly Vegan, DF, GF), Entrees & Prepared Meals, Local Pickled Peppers, Local Dill Pickles and more, Malaysian Cuisine: Satay Products, Curries, Noodles, Jams and more!

Sold: Production Kitchen/Store, Madeira FM (preorder), Montgomery FM (preorder), Westside Market, Fibonacci FM, OFF Market, City Flea, ETC Produce & Provision Store at Findlay Market, Marketwagon.com, Gracie's Grocery Store

BeeHavenHoney.com 513-542-5621

Products: Raw and Creamed Honey, Beeswax Candles, Salves and Lip Balm, Jams Sweetened with Honey

Sold: 1815 Elm St. near Findlay FM, & The Chocolate Bee (4037 Hamilton Ave. in Northside)

Chocolats Latour

ChocolatsLatour.com 513 591-0085

Products: Artisan Chocolates including Chocolate Bars in Adventurous Flavors and Hand Painted Truffles and Caramels

Sold: The Chocolate Bee (4037 Hamilton Ave. in Northside), Coffee Emporium, Winter Northside FM. and more

Fab Ferments

FabFerments.com
Tap room/store M-F 4- 7pm
Sat. 12- 3pm at
611 Shepherd Dr.
Cincinnati, OH 45215
rawkraut@fabferments.com

Products: Raw, Naturally
Probiotic USDA Certified Organic:
Kimchi, Sauerkraut, Raw Cultured Veggies,
Beet Kvass, Kimchi Juice, Hot Pepper Sauce
+ MORE!! plus Raw Kombucha Tea

Sold: Tap Room/Store M-F 4-7pm (see above) in Lockland, Jungle Jim's, Hyde Park FM (can pre-order), Dorothy Lane Markets, Harvest Market, Whole Foods Markets, Moon Co-op, Clifton Natural Foods, Fond, Country Fresh Market + MORE (see website). Free FAB home delivery.

Pine Lane Soaps

PineLaneSoaps.com
Products: All Natural Goat's
Milk Soaps and Lotions

Sold: Montgomery FM and a variety of places listed on the website

The Tree Hugger Soap Company

thetreehuggerco.com thetreehuggerco@gmail.com

Products: All natural bath and body care made with organic oils, essential oils and local ingredients.

Sold: Find us online, Hyde Park Farmers' Market, Anderson Farmers' Market, West Chester Farmers' Market and various festivals and shows in the greater Cincinnati area.

White Oak Valley Farm Summer Squash Pizza Crusts

SummerSquashPizzaCrusts.com
Find us on Facebook

Products: Summer Squash Pizza Crusts made with Loads of Squash and Zucchini Grown on our Farm

Sold: Montgomery FM, Blue Ash FM, Findlay Market Foodshed on Sundays



Consumer support of local, quality food is the lifeblood of the small farm direct market model.

> - Tom Bensman, Bensman Family Farms, Warren Co., OH





This list of local restaurants using local food provided by Slow Food Cincinnati. Slow Food is a "global, grassroots movement with thousands of members around the world that links the pleasure of food with a commitment to community and the environment." Slow Food Cincinnati awards the Snail of Approval based on "contributions to the quality, authenticity and sustainability of the food supply of Greater Cincinnati." SlowFoodCincinnati.org.

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101 Main Street, Milford, OH 45150 513-831-2749 • 20Brix.com

Allez Bakery

1208 Main St., Cincinnati, OH 45202 513-381-6700 • AllezBakery.com

Bite Restaurant

1279 State Route 131, Milford, Ohio 45150 513-831-2483 • BiteFoodie.com

Bar Bouquet Restaurant and Wine

519 Main St., Covington, KY 41011 859-491-7777 • BouquetRestaurant.com

Casa Figueroa

6112 Montgomery Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45213 513-631-3333 • CasaFig.com

Colonel Kitchen & Catering

22 N. Ft. Thomas Ave. Ft. Thomas, KY 41075 • 859-215-0200

Coppin's at Hotel Covington

638 Madison Ave. Covington, KY 41011 859-905-6800 HotelCovington.com/dining/

Essen

1 Findlay Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 513-802-5013 • EssenKitchen.com

Fond: Lunch and Deli

10764 Montgomery Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45242 513-607-1854 • FondCincinnati.com

Grassroots & Vine

1011 S. Ft. Thomas Ave, Ft. Thomas,KY 41075 859-814-8391 GrassrootsAndVine.com

Greenhouse Cafe + Bar

105 E. Mulberry St., Lebanon, OH 45036 513-934-7248 • GreenhouseCafeOhio.com

KiKi

5932 Hamilton Avenue Cincinnati, OH 45224 513-541-0381 • KiKiCincinnati.com

Maplewood Kitchen and Bar

525 Race St., Cincinnati, OH 45202 513-421-2100 MaplewoodKitchenAndBar.com

Meadowlark

5531 Far Hills Ave., Dayton, OH 45429 937-434-4750 MeadowlarkRestaurant.com

Metropole at 21c

609 Walnut St., Cincinnati, OH 45202 513-578-6660 • metropoleonwalnut.com

Mita's

501 Race St., Cincinnati, OH 45202 513-421-6482 Mitas.co

Mom 'n 'Em Coffee and Wine

3128 Colerain Avenue Cincinnati, OH 45225 513-886-0591 • MomNEmCoffee.com

Orchid's at Palm Court

35 West Fifth St., Cincinnati, OH 45202 513-421-9100 OrchidsatPalmCourt.com

Otto's

521 Main St., Covington, KY 41011 859-491-6678 OttosonMain.com

Pleasantry

118 W. 15th St., Cincinnati, OH 45202 513-381-1969 PleasantryOTR.com

Red Feather Kitchen

3200 Madison Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45209 513-407-3631 RedFeatherKitchen.com

Salazar

1401 Republic St., Cincinnati, OH 45202 513-621-7000 SalazarCincinnati.com

Sleepy Bee Cafe

3098 Madison Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45209 513-533-2339 SleepyBeeCafe.com

Tela Bar + Kitchen

1212 Springfield Pike, Wyoming, OH 45215 513-821-8352 TelaBarAndKitchen.com

The Farmstand

Market & Cafe 9914 Old Union Rd. Union, KY 41091 859-817-1134 TheFarmstandMarket.com

The Littlefield

3934 Spring Grove Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45223 513-386-7570 LittleFieldns.com

The Pickled Pig

645 E. McMillan St., Cincinnati, OH 45206 513-748-7114 • SmokedAndPickled.com

Tortilleria Garcia

5917 Hamilton Ave Cincinnati, OH 45224 513-541-0568 • TortilleriaGarcia.us

Wheat Penny Oven Restaurant

515 Wayne Ave., Dayton, OH 45140 937-496-5268 • WheatPennyDayton.com

Wildflower Cafe

207 E. Main St., Mason, OH 45040 513-492-7514 WildflowerGourmetCafe.com



(B) Biodynamic: A unifiedapproach to agriculture which tends the soil and the farm as livingorganisms, considers animals an integral part of a living ecosystem, and strives to bring community intofarming. There is a certification process in order to use the biodynamic label.

(C) Conventional: How most farms have operated over the past 50-plus years. Commercial fertilizers and synthetic chemicals are likely used.

(CNG) Certified Naturally Grown: A grassroots, affordable certification program for farmers who sell locally and directly to customers. Its standards are based on the National Organic Program but uses peer to peer inspection instead.

(CRCC) Crop Rotation, Use of Cover Crop: A method to help hold the soil, renew fertility, andreduce pests.

(FSC) Forest Stewardship Council: Practices that respect natural habitats by restricting the conversion of new forestland; prohibiting illegal harvesting, the use of hazardouspesticides or genetically modified trees; and supporting fair labor policies.

(GAP) Good Agricultural Practices: are voluntary audits that verify that fruits and vegetables are produced, packed, handled, and stored as safely as possible.

(IPM) Integrated Pest Management: Matches information with available pest-control methods to prevent unacceptable levels of pest damage while using the most economical means and causing the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment.

(LS) Low-Spray: Chemicals are used sparingly.

(Non-GMO) Non-genetically modified organisms: Are novel organisms created in a laboratory using genetic modification/engineering techniques. Some growers specify not using GMOs in seeds or in animal feed.

(O) Certified Organic: The operation is certified by a United States Department of Agriculture accredited agency by a neutral third party professional inspector to meet national standards for raising produce or livestock in a way that does not harm the environment with synthetically derived inputs and that preserves or improves soil fertility, soil structure, and farm sustainability. Some people consider this the minimum for insuring sustainable growing practices.

(P) Permaculture: A design system for creating sustainable human environments which, for food production, begins with soil building and focuses on perennials.

(R) Regenerative Agri-culture:

Conservation and rehabilitation approach to farming and gardening methods that extends organic agriculture. It improves the soil, biodiversity, and water cycle while building resilience to climate disruption.

(PF) Pesticide Free: No use of pesticides on seeds and plants throughout the crop lifecycle.

(SA) Soil Amendments, Such as Use of Compost and Non-synthetic Fertilizers: Build soil fertility. (S) Sustainable: sustainable describes farming systems that are "capable of maintaining their productivity and usefulness to society indefinitely. Such systems... must be resource-conserving, socially supportive, commercially competitive, and environmentally sound."

(T) Transitional: Moving to organic.

ANIMALS AND THEIR TREATMENT:

(AGA) American Grassfed Association Certified: Animals were fed a lifetime diet of 100% forage, raised on pasture, not in confinement, and never treated with hormones or antibiotics.

(FR) Free Range: At a minimum, animals have access to an outside area.

(GF) Grass Fed: Animals are fed grass or stored hay, but may be supplemented by grains. Grass-finished animals are only fed grass and hay.

(HB) Heritage Breeds: Traditional breeds raised by farmers before industrial agriculture drastically reduced breed variety.

(HF) Hormone Free: Growth hormones are not used to force an animal to gain weight, increasing incidences of disease and leading to the routine prescription of antibiotics. (Hormones are not permitted in chicken production.)

(HR) Humanely Raised: Animal stress is limited through sufficient space, shelter, and gentle handling.

(NR) Naturally Raised: Animals cannot be given antibiotics, hormones, or animal by-products.

(P) Pastured: Animals are raised and forage on pastures a significant amount of time.

Year Round Online Ordering - Featuring multiple producers

Farmniverous

Farmnivorous.com

Community of Local Food Producers and Farmers Markets - hooking up with a variety of local food online. Some offer home delivery and pick up options.

Hoosier Farmers Market SE

HoosierHarvestMarket.com

The first farmer-owned online farmers cooperative in the region featuring locally grown and produced food. Multiple pick up locations on Tuesday.



See Growing Practices p. 14

ADAMS CO.

Shagbark Farm Ohio

*B, CRCC, FSC, IPM, LS, P, PF SA

ShagbarkFarmOhio.com shagbarkfarmohiollc@gmail.com

Winchester, OH 45697

Products: berries, heirloom melons, wild mushrooms, "Dam Good Jam",

hickory syrup, herbs, herbal teas, foraged edibles

Sold: Hyde Park FM, check website for additional locations

BROWN CO.

Back Acres Farm

*SA, CRCC, PF, T, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

513-405-4379

pattycakes3@frontier.com Georgetown, OH 45121

Products: pastured eggs; grass fed

beef, lamb, pork, chicken and turkey; seasonal vegetables; spelt

Sold: Anderson FM.

Emmett Ridge Farm *B, CRCC, PF, FR, GF, HB, HF, HR

EmmettRidgeFarm.com

Lauren@emmettridgefarm.com

1805 Lindale Nicholsville Rd.

Amelia, OH 45102

Products: Grassfed Beef, Pasture Raised Pork, Pasture Raised Chicken and Turkeys as well as eggs. Hosting Corporate Events, Weddings, Birthday Parties, and more Sold: on website. Pick-up or delivery.

Mark's Pure Honey

*PF

513-373-2724 wesselerm@yahoo.com Mount Orab, OH 45154 Products: raw local honey, bee pollen, bee swarms wanted Sold: On-site, can order ahead, Louiso's in Eastgate, Bite Restaurant in Milford, Burger Farm in Newtown

BUTLER

Harris-Miller Farm

*0, GF

Oxford

513-524-9419

millersibyl883@gmail.com 6578 Fairfield Rd., Oxford, OH 45056 Products: certified organic grains, 100% grass fed cattle, 1/4 and 1/2 shares & individual cuts available Sold: Farm pickup, MOON Co-op Store in

Just Farmin'

*B, NON-GMO, CRCC, IPM, LS, PF, SA, FR, HR, NR

Just-Farmin.com

williscrg@aol.com

Find us on Facebook

6887 Devon Dr., Liberty, OH 45044

Products: market garden produce, Spring/Summer/Fall-Winter Flex CSA,

wholesale

Sold: Liberty Farm Market, West

Chester Farm Market, Reading

Farm Market

Locust Run Farm

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513-478-1761

locustrunfarm@gmail.com

PO Box 182, Oxford, OH 45056 Products: lettuce, onions, tomatoes, and

Sold: Oxford FM, Moon Coop (local and

organic food store in Oxford)

Schaefer's Farm Market & CSA. LLC

*CRCC, IPM, PF, SA, FR, HR, NR

SchaefersFarmMarket.com

Find us on Facebook

513-726-5307

schaeferscsa@gmail.com

5024 Jacksonburg Rd.

Trenton, OH 45067

Products: A wide variety of year-round fruits & vegetables, u-pick strawberries (May), eggs, honey, jams, jellies, salsa, pickles, flowers, pumpkins, mums and more! Sold: on farm, CSA delivery, various farm markets

7 Wonders Farm

*B, CCRC, IPM, PF, SA, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

7wondersfarm@gmail.com

5872 Oxford Milford Rd.

Somerville, OH 45064

Products: Year round vegetables; microgreens; pasture raised pork, chicken

and lamb

Sold: On farm, Oxford FM, Fairfield FM, West Chester FM

CLERMONT

B & D Goats

*C, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

513-883-7799

bdgoats@yahoo.com

2644 State Route 132

New Richmond, OH 45157

Products: Goat's Milk Soap and Lotion,

Goat's Milk fudge and caramels, Jams and Jellies

Sold: At farm

Can-Du Farm

*IPM, LS,PF, SA

513-734-7213

candufarm@yahoo.com

2935 State Route 125, Bethel, OH 45106

Products: tomatoes, eggplant, peppers, okra, onions, garlic, cucumbers

Sold: Maderia FM, Blue Ash FM,

Hyde Park FM

ETC Produce & Provisions

*B, NON-GMO, P, CRCC, IPM, PF, SA, FR, GF, HB, HF, HR, NR

ETCProduce.com

TLC@ETCProduce.com

477 Bear Creek Rd., Felicity, OH 45120

Products: heritage pasture-raised eggs, baked goods, chemical free produce, fresh herbs, pastured meat birds and flowers

Sold: Findlay FM, Home Delivery

Farm Beach Bethel

*SA, CRCC, PF, B, GF, HF, HR, NR

FarmBeachBethel.com Find us on Facebook 513-734-6928 1938 State Route 133 Bethel, OH 45106 Products: Wide variety of produce including lettuces and leafy greens. Sold: Findlay Market-Sat., Hyde Park FM, Winter Market of Hyde Park includes CSA



*0, GAP

pick up.

FoxTailFarmLLC.com Find us on Facebook Icheryl@foxtailfarmllc.com 1775 Fox Tail Chase Drive New Richmond, OH 45157 Products: Year-Round certified organic vegetables; greens, lettuce, carrots, beets, radishes, garlic, beans, peas, cucumbers, sweet peppers, tomatoes, edible flowers, herbs

Sold: Year-Round online ordering is encouraged for local delivery and pick up, open to all including Flex-CSA members and new customers. Also available through local markets including Findlay Market, ETC Produce and Provisions and more! Wholesale and direct buying is available.

Gray Fox Farms *O, CR, CC, IPM, PF, SA, NON-GMO

GrayFoxFarmsOhio.com Find us on Facebook

3620 State Route 222, Batavia, OH 45103 Products: certified organic sungold cherry and slicing tomatoes, green beans, peppers, herbs, lettuce, arugula, kale, chard, maple syrup, organic plants

Sold: Farm stand, Harvest Market, Marketwagon.com, Medpace

Pringles Orchard

Find us on Facebook 513-625-9866 2697 Pringle Rd., Goshen, OH 45122 Products: apples with U-pick Sept. to mid-Oct., cider, honey, jam, fall decorations and pumpkins, pecans Sold: on Farm: call or check FB for times

Rich Life Farm & Fungi *PF

RichLifeFarm.com Find us on Facebook 513-843-7850

info@richlifefarm.com New Richmond, OH 45157

Products: A broad assortment of gourmet mushrooms including Lions Mane, Chestnut, and several varieties of Oysters. Many new

varieties are offered throughout the year. Sold: Check website for an up to date listing of where products are sold

The Organic Farm at Bear Creek, LLC

*0, FSC, CCRC, IPM, SA, CRCC

OrganicFarmatBearCreek.com 513-470-7617

460 Bear Creek Rd., Felicity, OH 45120 Products: certified organic seasonal produce and value-added products: soups, salsas, sauces, dressings, jams, teas and dried herbs

Sold: Direct Buy/Home Delivery, Harvest Mkt (Milford), Pipkins, Susan's Natural World, Jungle Jim's Eastgate & Fairfield, Our Harvest, ETC Produce & Provisions, Miami University

CLINTON

Branstrator Farm LLC

*P. IPM. LS. SA

BranstratorFarms.com 937-725-5607

885 North George Rd., Clarksville, OH 45113 Products: Winter squash, pumpkins and heritage grains

Sold: Pipkins Market & Dorothy Lane Markets, Local Food Connection, Aberlin Springs

That Guys Family Farm & That Girls Flowers

ThatGuysFamilyFarm.com

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ThatGirlsFlowers.com 937-289-3151 394 State Route 380, Clarksville, OH 45113 Products: certified organic produce and cut flowers; specializing in greens, tomatoes, root crops and hand tied bouquets Sold: Deerfield FM, Local Food Connection, Dorothy Lane Markets and on farm store and winter CSA

Walnut Ridge Acres

*IPM, PF, SA, B, CRCC, HB, HF, NR

WalnutRidgeAcres.com 937-289-3222

7912 Route 22/3, Clarksville, OH 45113 Products: produce and cut flowers; Berkshire pasture-raised pork

Sold: Hyde Park FM, Blue Ash FM and Clinton County FM

Webb Valley Farm

*B, T, CCRC, PF, SA, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

WebbValleyFarm.com cell: 937-725-1690

1134 N. Webb Rd Wilmington, OH 45177 Products: Pasture Raised Beef, Pasture Raised Pork, Pasture Raised Lamb, Pasture Poultry, Free Range Eggs and Hand Crafted Soap and Lotion Bars

Sold: Deerfield FM and Lebanon FM

HAMILTON

Bee Haven

BeeHavenHoney.com 513-542-5621 sam@beehavenhonev.com Cincinnati, OH 45232

Products: raw and creamed honey, beeswax candles, salves and lip balm, jams

sweetened with honey

Sold: 1815 Elm St. (near Findlay FM) and The Chocolate Bee (in Northside)

Camp Washington Perennial Farm P, CRCC, IPM, SA, PF

CommonOrchard.com 513-256-8908

info@commonorchard.com

3220 Colerain Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45225 Products: Tomatoes, Greens, Fruits, Berries, Medicinal Herbs, perennial potted plants, and education

Sold: CAMP CART (mobile), Welcome Project, onsite

Carriage House Farm

*SA, CRCC, PF, IPM

CarriageHouseFarmllc.com 513-967-1106

2872 Lawrenceburg, North Bend, OH 45052 Products: honey, flour & grains, produce with a focus on herbs, root crops, &

leafy greens

Sold: On Farm, CSA, Findlay FM (Sat) Retailers: Avril-Bleh & Sons, Bridgetown Finer Meats, Humbert Meats, Langen Meats, Deeper Roots, and other Restaurants



One cannot separate the health of our soils from the health of its people.

- Dr. James Linne, White Clover Farm, Highland Co. OH

Cincy Urban Farm

*B, NON-GMO, CCRC, PF, SA

CincyUrbanFarm.com cincyurbanfarm@gmail.com 3549 Creek Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45241 Products: A wide variety of seasonal produce including greens, root crops, tomatoes, herbs and more. Micro greens and salsa. Sold: Deerfield FM, ELL Farm (store) at 10062 Cincinnati-Columbus Road, CSA

Eden Urban Gardens LLC

Find us on Facebook 513-485-2679

edenurbangardens@gmail.com

Cincinnati, OH 45213

Products: Customized CSA with Certified Organic Produce

Sold: Delivery within urban service area neighborhoods; Hyde Park FM, on Westside to Lettuce Eat Well FM

Funke's Greenhouse

B, NON-GMO, CCRC, PF, SA

Funkes.com

Find us on Facebook

541-8170

Al@Funkes.com

4798 Gray Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45232

Products: A wide variety of seasonal produce including greens, root crops, tomatoes, herbs and more. Micro greens and salsa. Sold: Deerfield FM, ELL Farm (store) at 10062 Cincinnati-Columbus Road, CSA

Gorman Heritage Farm

B, CRCC, SA, PF, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

GormanFarm.org

513-563-6663

10052 Reading Rd.

Evendale, OH 45241

Products: cage free eggs, local honey, chicken, turkey, pork, beef (preorder suggested, quanities limited) vegetables and herbs available in the Farm Shop. Flower Cutting Garden subscriptions. Garden Rental plots. Volunteer opportunities.

Sold: Onsite Farm Market – see website for availability

Greenacres Farm

*CRCC, IPM, PF, SA, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR, P

Green-Acres.org 513-891-4227

farm@green-acres.org

8255 Spooky Hollow Rd.

Cincinnati, OH 45242

Products: Grass-fed and finished Angus beef, pastured poultry and eggs, grass-fed lamb, Berkshire pork, produce and flowers year-round

Sold: Greenacres Farm Store, CSA

Hollmeyer's Orchards

*C, CRCC, IPM, LS

Find us on Facebook

3241 Fiddlers Green, Cincinnati, OH 45248 Products: peaches, pears, plums, apples, tomatos, peppers, okra, eggplant, corn, green beans, summer squash, jalapenos, cucumber, zucchini, flowers, pumpkin, winter squash, homemade apple butter, pickles and unpasterurized cider

Sold: on Farm Market

Mustard Seed Farm CSA

*NON-GMO, P, CRCC, PF, SA, FR, GF, HB, HF, NR

MustardSeedFarmer.webnode.com Find us on Facebook mustardseedfarmer@gmail.com

Norwood, OH 45212

Products: Women-run, multi-farm CSA: assortment of seasonal veggies, occasional fruits and gourmet mushrooms with eggs and soup/bread add ons.

Sold: old St. Elizabeth's church, 1759 Mills Ave., Norwood, Friday 4:30 to 6:30pm June 11 to Nov. 19

Our Harvest Cooperative

*T, CRCC, IPM, PF, SA, GF, HF, HR, NR OurHarvest.coop

513-620-4642

ourharvest@ourharvest.coop 1250 Tennessee Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45229 Products: wide variety of seasonal produce including greens, carrots, beets, turnips, squash, lettuce, tomatoes and potatoes;

grass fed beef

Sold: Avondale (Civic Garden Center), Clifton (Ludlow Wines), College Hill (Bahr Farm), Northside FM, E. Price Hill (Enright)

Permaganic ECOGARDEN

*P, SA, CRCC, PF

Permaganic.org Find us on Facebook permaganic@gmail.com 1636 Main St., Cincinnati, OH 45202 513-621-GROW(4769)

Products: Peaches, vegetables, mushrooms, herbs, and flowers. Free Food Forest. Sold: Onsite at our Main Street kitchen and new Urban Ag Co-Op. All proceeds support our Summer Youth Program

Running Creek Farm

*SA, CRCC, PF

513-522-5220

Mt. Healthy, OH 45231

Products: wide variety of produce, locally grown, pesticide-free - heirloom tomatoes, specialty potatoes, gourmet garlic, herbs, lettuce, greens, peppers, eggplant, squash, flowers and much more

Sold: Hyde Park FM, Northside FM

Turner Farm

*CCRC, IPM, NON-GMO, O, PF, R, SA, S, FR, GF, HB, HF, HR, NR, P

TurnerFarm.org

513-561-7400; info@turnerfarm.org 7400 Given Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45243 Products: wide variety of certified organic seasonal produce, herbs, mushrooms, microgreens and flowers; 100% grass fed beef and lamb; pasture raised heritage pork; pasture raised chicken and eggs; wedding venue and event spaces

Sold: Vegetable CSA, Flower CSA, Meat CSA -Farm Market, year-round Mon.-Sat.; Findlay Market – Saturdays during growing season

Wildwood Flora Greenhouses & Flower Farm

*T, CCRC, IPM, PF, SA

WildWoodFlora.com

Find us on Facebook

513-541-4300

4848 Gray Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45232

Products: plant starts, cut flowers, wreaths, flower CSA

Sold: Spring retail hours 9am-7pm-7 days a week. Findlay FM, Yellow Springs FM, Northside FM

HIGHLAND

Fair Ridge Farm

*B, CRCC, IPM, NON-GMO, P, S

FairRidgeFarms.com farmfresh@fairridgefarms.com

Products: Produce CSA with add ons; Elderberries, Herbs, Garlic, Greens, different

flavors kombucha

Sold: CSA and Yellow Springs FM

Grassroots Farm & Foods

*FR, HB, HF, HR, NR, GF, AGA (BEEF AND LAMB)

GrassRootsFoods.biz

740-634-2440

1727 Frost Rd., Hillsboro, OH 45133 Products: beef, lamb, chicken, pork, eggs, prepared foods.100% grass-fed (American Grassfed Association certified) cattle & s heep on certified organic pasture; unconfined chickens & hogs supplemented with non-GMO grains

Sold: Montgomery FM, Hyde Park FM, Pipkin's Market (Blue Ash), Harvest Market (Milford)

Jaybird Farms

*IPM, LS, SA, NON-GMO

JaybirdFarms.com 513-633-5218

2091 State Route 321, Sardinia, OH 45171 Products: herbs, cut flowers, lavender, homemade jams & jellies, cut & potted herbs, vegetable & flower plants, vegetables, herbal soaps & lotions Sold: Loveland FM, Madeira FM, Montgomery FM, Bite Restaurant in Milford, shop online on our website



Old Dutch Hops Farm

*FR, GF (POULTRY AND BEEF FED SUPPLEMENTAL GRAIN, LAMB IS 100% GF), HF, HR, NR

OldDutchHops.com olddutchhops@gmail.com 937-509-0064

6550 Pence Rd., Hillsboro, OH 45133 Products: Pasture-raised poultry (chicken,

eggs, turkey), all-natural beef, 100% grassfed lamb, maple syrup

Sold: Northside FM, Home Delivery in Cincy and NKY, Growing Trade Pet and Plant, Common Roots Pub

TS Farms

TSFarmsOH.com

*SA, CRCC, PF, FR, GF, HB, HF, HR, NR

Find us on Facebook 937-763-1167 11061 Careytown Rd., New Vienna, OH 45159 Products: cow & goat milk herd shares; Market share CSA; beef, pork, chicken, turkey, lamb, goat; eggs; jams & jellies;

goat's milk soap Sold: Montgomery FM, Maderia FM, Loveland FM, Pipkin's Market, online at

MarketWagon.com White Clover Farm

*GR, HR, NRF

WhiteCloverFarmOhio.com 513-562-7298 9600 East Prospect Rd Hillsboro, OH 45133

Products: 100% grass fed beef AGA certified

Sold: Direct market (online)

MONTGOMERY

Hungry Toad Farm

*0 Find us on Facebook

9307 Rooks Rd. Centerville, OH 45458 Products: specialize in salad greens and Micro greens, heirloom tomatoes, hardneck garlic, carrot, beets, transplants of veggies and herbs, flowers and florals

Sold: Centerville FM, 2nd St. Market in Dayton (Sat.), local restaurants, CSA

PREBLE

Boulder Belt Eco-Farm

*SA, CRCC, PF, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

BoulderBelt.com Find us on Facebook 937-456-9724

3257 US 127 N Eaton, OH 45320

Products: over 50 kinds of heirloom and hybrid fruits, vegetables and herbs including berries, pears, melons, beans, tomatoes; eggs, pastured chicken

Sold: Boulder Belt Farm Store, CSA for Richmond IN area, Oxford area and Preble County, Richmond, IN FM Sat.9-noon

WARREN

Bensman Family Farms

*NON-GMO, CCRC, LS, PF, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

BensmanFamilyFarms.com tom@bensmanfamilyfarms.com 3440 Pekin Rd. Waynesville, OH 45068 Products: Grass Fed or Grain Finished Beef raised without hormones or antibiotics and fed only non-GMO feeds.

Sold: Bundles of 30+ pounds off the farm by appointment or pick up whole, half or quarter at the processor or the farm.

Cook's Family Farm

*CRCC, FR, GF, HF, HR, PF, NR, SA

937 239-3216

miltoncook425@gmail.com 3611 E. Lwr. Springboro Rd. Waynesville, OH 45068-8792

Products: 100 % grass fed beef raised on our

Bicentennial Farm (1803) No hormones or antibiotics. Sold: Deerfield Township FM

Fresh To Morrow

*7FRO SPRAY

Find us on Facebook Fresh45152@gmail.com 201 Miranda St., Morrow, OH 45152

Products: Cafe weekend hours and seasonal

Sold: Cafe and Store - hours Friday 5-8pm, Saturday 9am-8pm, Sunday 9-1pm

Irons' Fruit Farm

*CRCC, C, IPM, LS

IronsFruitFarm.com

Closed till Spring; leave message 513-932-2853

ironsfruitfarm@gmail.com

1640 Stubbs Mill Rd.

Lebanon, OH 45036

Products: apples, peaches, strawberries, blueberries, raspberries, cherries, corn, tomatoes, squash, beans, cider. Pumpkins, corn maze, and hayrides in Sept./Oct. Sold: Store open mid-May thru Dec., Lebanon FM

The Goodlife Farm

*B, CCRC, LS, SA, PF, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

GoodLifeFamilyFarm.com goodlife.laura@gmail.com 2290 East Lower Springboro Rd. Waynesville, OH 45068

Products: Seasonal produce, plants, daylilies. Pasture raised beef, pork, chicken,

Sold: Lebanon, Sugarcreek, and Deerfield Farmers Markets. On farm sales through our online market, the Farm Club.

BOONE CO.

Dark Wood Farm

*CCRC, PF, SA, IPM, NON-GMO

DarkwoodFarmstead.com Petersburg, KY 41080

Products: all natural pesticide-free, seasonal vegetables, mushrooms Sold: CSA drop sites and Restaurants

CAMPBELL

Idyllwild Farm

IdyllWildFarm.WordPress.com 740-475-9157 idyllwildfarm@gmail.com

2802 Ten Mile Rd., Melbourne, KY 41059 Products: organic methods to grow 4 season salad greens, early tomatoes, eggplant, peppers, shallots and usual delicious seasonal suspects

Sold: Hyde Park FM, Northside FM, at the Farm (check first)

Little Rock Farm

*O, FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

LRFCampSprings.com Irf@campsprings.com 2802 Ten Mile Road Camp Springs, KY 41059

Products: Organic produce, grass fed beef, pasture chicken, pork, baked goods, jams, honey, eggs, organic bone stock Sold: on the Farm

Neltner Farm

*CRCC, LS, GF

NeltnersFarm.com 859-635-3636

6922 Four Mile Rd. Melbourne, KY 41059 Products: tomatoes, cucumbers, seasonal fruits & vegetables, jams, u-pick pumpkins at fall festival

Sold: Sat Findlay FM, Alexandria-CC FM, Nativity Church and Northminster Church Tailgate Markets, and on farm (end of May -

The Barbian Farm (Apple Ridge Farm)

*C, P, CRCC, LS, IPM, SA

859-635-9681

3349 Nine Mile Rd. Melbourne, KY 41059 Products: tomatoes, green beans, tree ripened peaches, plums, pears& apples Sold: Nativity Church Tailgate FM, Northminister Presbyterian Tailgate FM, Erlanger FM, Lakeside Commons Market



KENTON



RainsAndSun.com 859-432-3641

10050 Marshall Road, Covington, KY 41015 Products: naturally grown fruits and vegetables from our family to yours. Focusing on the veggies you love with some new things to try. Small, CSA-centric farm.

Sold: CSA with multiple pick-up sites in NKY and delivery options Tues. and Thurs.; Independence FM on Sat., Ft. Thomas FM

Tewes Farm

*FR, HF, HR, NR

TewesFarm.com 859-341-8844

2801 Crescent Springs Rd. Erlanger, KY 41018 Products: fresh chickens, turkeys & eggs Sold: on farm, ordering is encouraged

PENDLETON

Fox Run Environmental Education center

*B, CRCC, GF, FR, HR, HF, HR, NR, O, PF, SA

FoxRunEEC.org 859-242-1037

foxruneec@gmail.com

PO Box 174, Falmouth, KY 41040

Products: certified organic produce, herbs and flowers, plants; non-profit, educational programs for individuals and groups; online consultation, wildlife rehabilitation

Sold: on farm and maybe Covington FM

SCOTT

Elmwood Stock Farm

*O, FR, GF, HB, HF, HR, NR

ElmwoodStockFarm.com 859-621-0755 elmwoodorders@gmail.com

3520 Paris Rd. Georgetown, KY 40324 Products: mixed vegetables,berries, herbs; grass fed beef and lamb; pastured pork, chicken, eggs; pastured Heritage Breed turkey; Heirloom cornmeal— all USDA Certified organic

Sold: Hyde Park FM; CSA with pick up in Cincinnati and N. KY. and home delivery

INDIANA

DEARBORN CO.

Abundant Green Pastures

*B, PF, SA, GF, HB, HF, HR, NR

AbundantGreenPastures.com 812-637-3090

1165 Chappelow Ridge Rd. West Harrison, IN 47060

Products: 100% grassfed beef and pasture pork - non-gmo grains, only 2lbs. of organic grain per pig per day

Sold: on farm and at Lettuce Eat Well FM

Beiersdorfer Orchard

*LS

BeiersdorferOrchard.com 812-487-2695

21874 Kuebel Rd., Guilford, IN 47022 Products: apples, peaches, pears, plums, apple cider, apple (with or without sugar), pear, & pumpkin butters, honey

Sold: Farm Store year round,

Madison's at Findlay Market, Clifton Natural Food, and Kroger's (cider)

Lobenstein Farm

*CNG, LS, CRCC, FR, HR, NR

513-582-0762

lobensteinfarmcsa@gmail.com 29703 Post 464 Rd., St. Leon, IN 47012 Products: veg. plants in Spring, produce sweet corn, cantaloupe, watermelon, tomatoes, green beans and much more; home grown beef, pork, lamb; October u-pick Pumpkin Festival Sold: Delhi FM, Findlay FM, Nativity & North-

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minster Tailgate Markets, Northside FM, Ft.

Beneker Family Farms

BenekerFamilyFarms.com 513-635-8309

Thomas FM, Madeira FM

info@benekerfamilyfarms.com 9137 St. Peters Rd., Brookville, IN 47012 Products: build your own 6-12lbs. bundles and 1/16th, 1/8th, shares of pasture raised, grain finished beef.

Sold: On website year round. Pick-up at the farm by appt. or have shipped. Also at Cincinnati Market Wagon

Michaela Farm

*B, CRCC, PF, SA, FR, GF, HF, HR

OldenburgFranciscans.org/farm.asp michaelafarm@oldenburgosf.com 3127 SR 229, Batesville, IN 47006 Products: seasonal produce, local honey, dried herbs, free range eggs, local honey Sold: On-farm store

Steinfort Farms

812-934-4598

1176 Shrine Rd., Batesville, IN 47006 Products: cut flowers

Sold: Batesville FM

JEFFERSON

The Eaton Farm

*SA, CRCC, PF, GF, HF, HR, NR

TheEatonFarm.com 812-839-6452

6880 N. Scott's Ridge Rd., Madison, IN 47250 Products: non-GMO pastured eggs, chicken, turkey, & silvopastured pork. 100% Grassfed beef, naturally grown produce, raw honey, lard soap

Sold: Hyde Park FM (produce and meat CSA) & The Good Eaton Club (our year-round meat CSA) in Clifton, cuts available at market

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Backyard Orchard

*IPM, LS, SA

Find us on Facebook 812-584-3266

4713 SR 56, Rising Sun, IN 47040

Products: 32 varieties of apples, more than 12 varieties of peaches; plums, pears, Native American grapes; from Farm- vegetables, corn. melon

Sold: Findlay FM, Fort Thomas FM, Hyde Park FM, Madeira FM, Northside FM; u-pick on select weekends

Rising Sun Beef

*FR, GF, HF, HR, NR

RisingSunBeef.com 513-200-6042

5004 Stahl Rd., Rising Sun, IN 47040 Products: AGA grass fed and finished Angus beef, quarters, halves and whole animal

available year round

Sold: call to order, available year round.

RIPLEY

Easter Rising Farm

*CRCC, FSB, P, PF, SA, FR, GF, HF, HB

EasterRisingFarm.com 704-798-6071

5736 E SR 62, Friendship, IN 47021 Products: "salad bar" beef; pasture-raised

chicken (GMO free) & turkey; naturally raised, GMO free pork; grass fed lamb, rabbit, goose, pheasant

goose, pneasant
Sold: meat is available at the farm

seasonally. Delivery to Madeira and Western Hills through our CSA.

Sundance

*NON-GMO, P, CCRC, IPM, PF, SA; FR, GF, HB, HF, HR

Sundance Farmin.com

calvinos@sundancefarmin.com

331-826-5048

Products: 100% Grass-fed Red Devon Beef, soy-free, non-GMO chicken, turkey, and eggs, soy-free non-GMO pork, seasonal produce Sold: Available on Farm, through our CSA, with delivery available at Lettuce Eat Well FM and Batesville FM



GETTING TO THE MEAT OF IT

The majority of meat is produced on large-scale industrial farms called CAFOs which are inhumane and unsustainable. While there is controversy about the effects of meat production on the environment and concern about meat over-consumption in the US, there is widespread agreement that "factory farms" are unhealthy in all aspects. Local, small-scale farmers are happy to explain how they raise their animals – practices which are not only better for the animal but for environmental and human health. If you eat meat, eat local meat.

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- Gorman Heritage Farm
- Greenacres Farm
- **Turner Farm**

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- Old Dutch Hops Farm
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- White Clover Farm

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WARREN CO.

- Bensman Family Farms Cook's Family Farm
- The Goodlife Farm

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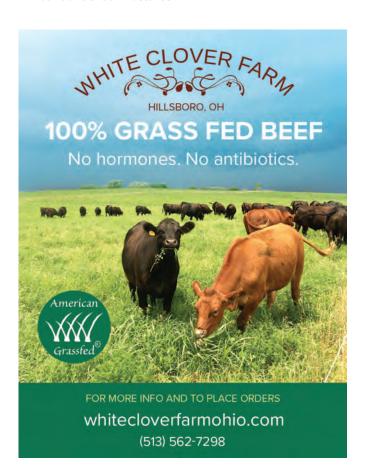
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COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE (CSA)

Community supported agriculture (CSA) is a plan where community members become shareholders, pay an upfront fee, possibly exchange some work, and in return get a share of the harvest and/or other products during agreed upon times of the year. Shareholders are taking some risk by participating in the "adventure of farming" and what is successful that season; shareholders are also getting the benefits of regular connection with a grower and their land.

Some of the varied structures of CSAs that have developed are: ownership by a co-op or community, not just a farmer; work and non-work shares available; can extend throughout the year, not just summer and fall; products can include not only vegetables and fruits, but meat, eggs, milk, mushrooms and herbs. Some even ask for preferences or offer a choice of products.

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- Schaefer's Farm Market & CSA LLC

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HAMILTON CO.

Carriage House Farm

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Gorman Heritage Farm

- Greenacres Farm
- Mustard Seed Farm CSA
- Our Harvest Cooperative
- Turner Farm

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HONORS LAND AND LABOR.







Just outside of the city limits in Green Township Ohio, you can step back in time. A short drive from anywhere in the tri-state area, up a hill and down with a turn into a gravel lot that is only marked by a modest sign, you will find yourself at a little ol' farm store. If you blink or drive too fast as you drive down Fiddler's Green, you will miss this 105-year-old orchard. It is most likely what happened for approximately the eight years that I grew up right around the corner. It took another nine years until I met Ron Hollmeyer at Findlay Market. He was selling his apples, eggs, and cider in the winter months as I managed the market.

A few years later, I started working for Ron. This is truly when I learned not only about apples, peaches, pears, and plums, but about the slower life just outside the city, although Ron would probably disagree about me learning how to slow down. Ron is a keen observer, as he takes his walks around the orchard in winter or as he drives the tractor down the rows during the summer and fall. This is how I have started to learn

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about the fruit. Each time he stops at a tree or end of a row or even as we zoom by on the gator, Ron takes notice of the fruit development or reaches up to pull a piece off of a branch hanging over the row.

Ron grew up on the farm not just with his

family, but school-aged friends who would come work on the farm after school or during the summer months.

It was not all work and no play. There have been plenty of stories about fishing, ice skating, hunting, fixing cars, and playing ball. On the day Ron graduated from high school, he came down the stairs and his dad, Ray, asked what his plans were. Ron said he did not have any plans expect to work on the farm. Ray couldn't have agreed more. Ron and Ray worked side by side throughout the years as Ron continued to learn from his Dad. Ron also learned from his mom.



Rosie, that the best apple pies are a good assortment of three or four apple varieties such as Johnathan, golden delicious, melrose and northern spy (an heirloom).

This orchard holds a special place for all who have come to work the land. Some started picking apples off the ground and continue to come by and check in and have a chat with Ron. When you visit the farm store, it is a good bet that you can catch stories from multi-generations who have shopped here. If you are lucky, you might even hear a story from Ron. These stories have been one of my favorite parts over the past six years. This land is not only family deep but community deep.

Rebecca Keys has the pleasure and honor of working with Ron and raising her little girl on the farm.

She makes sure to take notice and teach her child the value of the land.

Ron's grandfather, William, first leased the property and then bought it in 1916. Ron's dad, Ray, was born in the original farmhouse (built in 1858).

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5900 Delhi Rd. Mount St. Joseph, OH 45051 SrCharityCinti.org

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With the support of the Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District, CORV will be distributing reusable shopping bags to a number of area farmers' markets. Thanks to folks at Hamilton County for assistance with this project. Together, we all can make a difference.