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**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
SENIOR FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM**

2020 Application Form

To qualify you must be 60 or older (or turn 60 by 12/31/2020) and meet the household income guidelines.

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

I certify that the information I have provided below for my eligibility determination is correct, to the best of my knowledge. This certification form is being submitted in connection with the receipt of Federal assistance. Program officials may verify information on this form. I understand that intentionally making a false or misleading statement or intentionally misrepresenting, concealing, or withholding facts may result in paying the State agency, in cash, the value of the food benefits improperly issued to me and may subject me to civil or criminal prosecution under State and Federal law.

Standards for eligibility and participation in the SFMNP are the same for everyone, regardless of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

I understand that I may appeal any decision made by the local agency regarding my eligibility for the SFMNP.

By signing this, I acknowledge that my total household income is within the Income guidelines: \$23,606 for 1 person in the household; or \$31,894 for 2 people in the household and that I am 60 years old or older (or will turn 60 by December 31, 2020).

1st Participant Name (print): _____ Birth date _____
(Person checks are for)

(Signature)

2nd Participant Name (print): _____ Birth Date _____
(Person checks are for)

(Signature)

Address (print): _____

Telephone Number: _____ County you live in _____

Please circle the most appropriate identifier for each:

Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

Race: American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander White

If more responses are received than funding allows you will be notified by mail.

Please **mail** or **email** your completed form before September 24, 2020 to:

AAA-SFMNP@alleghenycounty.us

or

**Area Agency on Aging
Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program
2100 Wharton Street, 2nd Floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15203**

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

2020 Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program

The annual Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) is available to eligible residents of Allegheny County. Eligible individuals may receive one set of checks worth \$24 to be spent at participating farmers markets.

The 2020 Senior Farmers Market Program will look different this year due to COVID-19. The distribution of checks will not occur at senior centers. Instead, checks will be distributed by mail to eligible Allegheny County residents that complete an application. Applications may be downloaded from the website: <https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Human-Services/Programs-Services/Basic-Needs/Senior-Farmers-Market-Nutrition-Program.aspx>. Applications may also be requested by emailing AAA-SFMNP@alleghenycounty.us or by calling (412) 350-4219. Only completed applications received by September 24, 2020 will be processed.

Completed applications may be emailed to: AAA-SFMNP@alleghenycounty.us

Mail completed paper applications to: Area Agency on Aging
Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program
2100 Wharton Street, 2nd Floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15203

Check distribution begins on Tuesday, June 16th. Checks are distributed on a first come, first served basis, no exceptions.

The checks 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 \$6.00 check; change will not be given. Lost or stolen checks will not be replaced.

Eligibility:

- Allegheny County resident
- 60 years of age or older (by December 31, 2020)
- Meet the income guidelines (self-reported):
 - One-person household: At or below \$23,606
 - Two-person household: At or below \$31,894*
- Older adults living in a residential facility that provides meals are not eligible to receive checks

