

## **SNAP Market Match in Farmers Markets**

PART OF WASHINGTON STATE'S FRUIT AND VEGETABLE INCENTIVES PROGRAM

Since 2015, the Washington State Department of Health and dozens of partners have implemented Fruit and Vegetable Incentive programs at farmers markets and grocery stores to make healthy food more affordable for low-income families in Washington. With funding from Washington State, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and local and private entities, the Fruit and Vegetable Incentives Program helps Washington families on limited budgets afford more fruits and vegetables.

At more than 123 participating farmers markets and farm stands, customers who use Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits can double their SNAP benefits to buy more fruits and vegetables.



Photo credit: Sarah Schu, Marketing & Development Manager at Neighborhood Farmers Markets

"We have a lot of new customers each year finding the market because of our outreach about the food access programs." -Farmer

"I love being able to maximize my EBT while being a part of supporting local farmers." -Shopper

"They help to provide fresh fruits and veggies to my five-year-old son . . .

I go to school and work part time, so to have the added help is crucial." -Shopper



\$1,190,248

of incentives spent with local farmers in 2023.

SNAP shoppers spent

\$6,360,288

incentives with local farmers from 2015 – 2023.



farmers markets and farm stands



counties participating across the state



shopper visits to participating farmers markets and farm stands in 2023

For more information, contact SNAP.MarketMatch@doh.wa.gov or visit doh.wa.gov/SNAPMarketMatch.



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