**Health Benefits**

Being outdoors in the fresh air and sunshine improves health and fitness. Shopping at the Oakland County Farmers Market helps strengthen families physically with healthy food choices and socially by spending time together. The market offers a wide variety of plants, flowers and garden art. Inflatables for kids, activities and demonstrations are available for many different cultures to interact with each other.

**New Vendors**

Interested in becoming a vendor at the Oakland County Farmers Market? Visit OaklandCountyParks.com for a vendor application or call 248-858-5495.

**Rent the Market**

The Oakland County Farmers Market is available to rent on Monday, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sunday. This unique venue is ideal for parties, weddings, showers or meetings. Available to rent is 7,000 square feet of indoor space and a 6,400 square foot outdoor space. Rent outdoor patios is $300 for eight hours. Contact market staff at 248-858-5495 or OCmarket@oakgov.com to reserve a space.

**4th of July**

The 4th of July is a fun holiday that many folks look forward to their bit while supporting local small businesses. Vendors and the selling holiday gift, food and more. Booth rental is $29. Call 248-858-1496 or message OCmarket@oakgov.com to reserve a spot.

**Food Trucks**

Oakland County Farmers Market offers food trucks each week in the same location.

**Newest Food Trucks**

OCmarket@oakgov.com for more information.

**COOLING DEMONSTRATIONS**

Look for the sunflower icon at 73 bus stops along SMART’s SMART ACT bus. For information, call 248-858-1272.

**Making the Most of the Oakland County Farmers Market**

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**June 2 – Flower Day**

7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. - 248-858-1272

**July 20 – Healthy Oakland Partnership’s Family Day, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.**

“Food Truck Rallies” feature a variety of food trucks and food vendors located inside the market.

**Contact Us**

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OCmarket@oakgov.com

**Market Hours**

7 a.m.-3 p.m. - May 18-Sept. 27

Mon. - Thurs., Sat.

**February 2019 Events**

**March 2019 Events**

**April 2019 Events**

**May 2019 Events**

**June 2019 Events**

**July 2019 Events**

**August 2019 Events**

**September 2019 Events**

**October 2019 Events**

**November 2019 Events**

**December 2019 Events**

**Food Assistance Benefits at the Market**

To ensure access to healthy foods for all, Oakland County Farmers Market is proud to accept food assistance benefits, including:

- **WIC Project Fresh**

- **Senior/Market Fresh Coupons**

- **Food Bucks. Double Up Food Bucks can be used to buy fruits and vegetables that have been grown in Michigan.**

**Pet Policy**

Pet Policy is available at the Road Commission of Oakland County lot located west of the market.

**Accessibility Options**

Contact us at 248-858-0906, ext. 227 for patron use. Also see site in a large, accessible family restroom.

**Shop and Learn**

Learn from the experts. Michigan State University Extension Master Gardeners and Nutrition Educators, Oakland County Conservation District and Oakland County Health Division have teamed up with the market to offer weekly educational programming all year. Many thanks to Genisys Credit Union for sponsoring the MSUE programs.

**More than just fruits and veggies**

Fresh fruits and vegetables are available throughout the year.

Thinkparagus and mugwort in the spring, tomatoes and cucumbers in summer, squash and green beans in fall, and potatoes in the winter. Additionally, shoppers can find baked goods, fresh flowers, holiday décor, fragrant soaps, essential oils, art from local artists and much more.

**Commissions**

Selling space is $5 in the market, $25 for vendors and $35 for farmers. For more information, call 248-858-1272.

**Monthly Markets**

**Saturdays**

March 16, Apr. 27, May 18, June 29

**Sundays**

July 21, Aug. 25, Sept. 22, Oct. 27

**Occasional Markets**

March 24, May 19, June 23, July 28, Aug. 25, Sept. 22, Oct. 27

**Holiday Markets**

Nov. 23, Dec. 21

**Parking Options**

Parking near the market can be very busy and the parking lots fill up quickly. Overflow parking is available at the Waterview Lake Park lot located west of the market.

**Smart Access**

Contact market staff at 248-858-1272 for more information.

**Grill Bacon**

**Cody’s Ice Cream**

**Kabob King**

**HatLady**

**Krear’s Ice Cream**

**Mr. B’s Ice Cream**

**Sundance Ice Cream**

**Good’s Ice Cream**

**Ghasti’s Ice Cream**

**California Pizza Kitchen**

**Jamba Juice**

**SMALL BUSINESS TIPS**

**Vendor Information**

For more information, call 248-858-1272.

**Food Assistance**

- **SNAP/EBT available year-round**

- **Double Up Food Bucks tokens can be obtained at Stall #15 located inside the market.**

Food vouchers may bring approved farm market type items not produced by themselves.

**Culture Days**

From Farm to Family

Oakland County Farmers Market is a family-friendly place, promoting greater fresh produce and flowers to county residents and visitors. Produce includes more than 100 farmers and artisans, representing 17 Michigan counties. A wide variety of vendors participate providing produce, great food and much more. Participating vendors must grow or make the products that they bring to sale during the main season (May–October). During the off season (November-April), vendors may bring approved farm market type items not produced by themselves.
2019 FREE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Michigan Availability Guide

Vegetables

Mustard greens

Mache greens

Collard greens

Spinach

Savoy cabbage

Spanish cabbage

Green cabbage

White cabbage

Broccoli

Brussels sprouts

Romaine lettuce

Iceberg lettuce

Leaf lettuce

Arugula

Lettuce greens

Radishes

Onions

Garlic

Leeks

Scallions

Green peppers

Sweet bell peppers

Yogurt at the Market
Free, 45-minute yoga classes take place on the grassy area to the west of the market building. Yoga lessons by Studio 8 Fitness of Waterford. Free, 45-minute yoga lessons take place on the grassy area to the west of the market building. Yoga lessons by Studio 8 Fitness of Waterford.

Saturday Morning Yoga, 9:30 a.m.
June 1, July 6, Aug. 3, Sept. 7
Free yoga mats for the first 10 participants.

Thursday Luncheon Yoga, Noon
May 9, June 13, July 11, Aug. 1, Sept. 12
Yoga mats available for use.

Aug. 17 - Cucumbers and Pickles
Kids can make a pickle, place it in a refrigerator and finish up in their refrigerator to enjoy later. Adults can learn about cucumbers, pickling and food preservation.

Sept. 7 - Sweet Corn
Learn about growing, storing, cooking and preserving corn, one of Michigan’s finest crops.

Sept. 21 - Kohlrabi
Learn how to purchase, store and preserve kohlrabi and take home kohlrabi recipes.

Oct. 5 - Michigan Apples

Whip apples are best suited for various purposes? Learn more about different varieties of Michigan apples.

Oct. 26 - Winter Squash
Winter squash is one of Michigan’s best crops. Find out about different varieties of Michigan apples.

June 15 - Michigan Strawberries
Enjoy Michigan’s strawberry season by learning how to purchase, store and preserve for quality. Take home recipes and samples.

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Learn to make salads that are healthy and tasty.

June 15 - Michigan Asparagus
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June 13 - Michigan Cherries
Watch a demonstration and learn how to purchase, store and preserve cherries. Take home cherry recipes.

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Purchase remaining seedlings from the spring tree sale fundraiser.

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Learn about invasive species including how to identify, manage and prevent their spread throughout your property.

July 13 Program to be announced.

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