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The Bristol Farmers Market Announces Doubling of SNAP Benefits Will be Accepted at Fall Festival Market

Bristol, CT— The Bristol Farmers Market Board of Directors would like to make the community aware that they will be offering double SNAP/EBT benefits to those who are eligible, thanks to generous grants from **End Hunger CT**, **Thomaston Savings Bank Foundation**, and **Main Street Community Foundation**. In addition, WIC, and Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program benefits will also be accepted by eligible market vendors at the Fall Festival Market.

"We are happy to be able to offer double SNAP/EBT benefits at the Fall Festival Farmers Market this Saturday, November 15th," stated Dawn Nielsen, Chair of the Board of Directors. "Full SNAP benefit amounts for the month of November have been transferred onto EBT cards for all eligible Connecticut households that receive food assistance through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), according the Governor's office as of this week. SNAP-benefit recipients can check the balance amounts on EBT cards by visiting MyDSS.ct.gov or by calling 1-888-328-2666."

Eligible market vendors who will be accepting SNAP benefits will include: **Better Baking By Beth** for bread, **Black Sheep Garlic** for healthy snacks, **Gresczyk Farms** for fresh produce, **Hathor Hill Farm** for grass-fed beef and eggs, and **Twin Pines Farm** for fresh produce and cheese.

In addition, there will be a food collection at the market for anyone wishing to donate non-perishable items which will be distributed to local community organizations. For a listing of local organizations in Bristol and resources for food assistance, visit: https://uwc.211ct.org/findhelp/ or call 211.

The Bristol Farmers Market Fall Festival will be located in the parking lot of 10 Main Street from 10 am to 1 pm and offers free on-site parking and easy access to the market.

Visit: https://bristolfarmersmarket.com/ to learn more about The Bristol Farmers Market, Inc. And be sure to continue to follow the Bristol Farmers Market on social media @bristolctfarmersmarket on Facebook and Instagram.

See graphic attached if room allows.

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The mission of The Bristol Farmers Market, Inc. is to create a sustainable platform that supports and promotes access to fresh local food and products for all residents. By connecting the community with local farmers and producers, the market aims to foster a thriving environment for both vendors and batrons.