

Georgia WIC
Farmers Market
Nutrition Program



What is the Georgia WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program?

The Georgia Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) provides WIC recipients with fresh, locally grown, unprocessed fruits, vegetables, and edible herbs at approved farmers market locations beginning May 1 through October 30 of each year.

Benefits are issued to WIC recipients by participating health department clinics across the state once per year on a first-come, first-served basis through September 30. The program is funded by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and administered statewide by the Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH).

What are the eligibility requirements?

To be eligible for WIC FMNP program benefits, you must be actively enrolled as a WIC participant who is a/an:

- · Pregnant, postpartum, or breastfeeding woman;
- · Infant six months of age or older; or
- Child up to five years of age.

What do I receive as a WIC FMNP recipient?

- Benefits valued at \$30* to purchase fresh produce from approved WIC FMNP locations;
- Nutrition education and information on the benefits of fresh fruits and vegetables;
- Tips for selecting, preparing, and storing fresh fruits and vegetables;
- Money-saving advice; and
- · Quick recipes.

^{*}Subject to change based on funding availability



Where can I use my WIC FMNP benefits?

WIC FMNP benefits can be used to purchase eligible produce from approved farmers market locations displaying Georgia WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program signage. Contact your local WIC clinic for market dates, times, and locations.

How do I spend my WIC FMNP benefits?

- 1. Visit a participating Georgia WIC farmers market location near you.
- 2. Select up to \$30* of eligible produce.
- 3. Present your eWIC card to the farmer for payment.
- 4. Electronically sign your name on the farmer's smart device.
- 5. Receive your produce.

Helpful Tips and Reminders:

- WIC FMNP benefits can only buy produce at Georgia WIC-approved farmers market locations.
- Arrive at the farmers market early for the best selection.
- If your purchase exceeds the value of your WIC FMNP benefits you must pay the difference with another form of payment.
- Use your WIC FMNP benefits on or before the October 30 expiration date.
- Contact customer service toll-free at (866) 814-5468 if your eWIC card has been lost or stolen.

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What types of produce can I purchase at FMNP market locations?

Only fresh, Georgia-grown fruits, vegetables, and/or herbs may be sold at designated market sites. Eligible foods include (but are not limited to):

Apples Beans, Lima Beans, Snap Beets Blueberries Cantaloupe Cabbage Carrots Corn

Cucumbers

Eggplants Fresh herbs Grapes Greens, Collard Greens, Mustard Greens, Turnip Muscadines Mushrooms **Nectarines** Okra

Onions Peaches Pears Peas Peppers, Bell Peppers, Hot Peppers, Sweet **Plums** Potatoes, Sweet

Potatoes, White

Pumpkin Spinach Squash **Strawberries Tomatoes** Watermelon

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