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Renton Farmers Market kicks off 19th season on June 2

COVID-19 safety measures will be in place; market features fresh Washington-grown produce and flowers

RENTON, WA – COVID-19 has altered the makeup of the [Renton Farmers Market](#) in 2020, but it is still the best place to find the freshest Washington-grown produce, flowers and other staples from your favorite farmers, a tradition since 2002.

The 19th annual market will open on Tuesday, June 2 at 3 p.m. in Gateway Park (South Third Street and Logan Avenue South in downtown Renton), just west of its usual location in Piazza Park. The market will continue every Tuesday from 3 to 7 p.m. through September 29. Free two-hour parking is available at the City Center Garage (655 S. Second St.). The market is also adjacent to the Renton Transit Center for easy access from public transportation.

“We are fortunate to be opening Renton’s Farmers Market during these difficult times and I want to thank our volunteers and vendors who make our farmers market in Renton so spectacular,” said Renton Mayor Armondo Pavone.

In 2020, the market will operate as a quick in-and-out destination for essential food shopping. Market organizers ask that you consider sending only one shopper per household and bringing a shopping list. This will allow a maximum number of people to enjoy. Remember, only service animals are allowed in the market.

The market will follow COVID-19 regulations established by [Public Health – Seattle & King County](#) (PHSKC). There will be a separate entrance and exit so market staff can monitor the number of shoppers and ensure proper social distancing. Please follow the directions on all posted signage and maintain proper social distancing while in line.

Shoppers will also be asked to wear face coverings to adhere to the [PHSKC directive](#) that took effect on May 18.

The successful SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) Bucks program returns. The market also offers a dollar-for-dollar match with the SNAP Market Match Bucks (formerly Fresh Bucks), which doubles buying power.

The organizers of the Renton Farmers Market ask for the support and understanding of our community during these unique times. Please be patient and respectful to market staff, vendors and volunteers as COVID-19 protocols are followed. These steps are necessary to help ensure the market remains safe for everyone.

About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 104,700 (2019), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted the attention of nationally recognized companies that are providing employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information can be found on our [website](#), [news releases](#), or [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Nextdoor](#) pages.

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