

From the Heart

St. Vincent de Paul of Milwaukee October 2, 2020



What you can buy with a QUEST (EBT) Card at a farmers market:

- Fruits & Vegetables
- Herbs & Mushrooms
- Breads, Grains & Pasta wrapped and labeled for eating at home
- Food Producing Plants & Seeds
- Dairy Products
- Eggs
- Fish, Poultry, & Meats
- Sauces & Soups
- Syrups & Honey

Items NOT eligible for QUEST (EBT) purchases:

- Hot prepared foods & beverages
- Food that will be eaten at the market (not staples or fresh and unprepared baked goods)
- Seeds or horticultural products
- Seeds & plants not intended for eating (flowers, ornamental grounds, plant products sold for decorative purposes)

FOOD WISE
An EDNA program, the University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension provides rapid assistance in emergency and programmatic activities. This is not to be confused with the University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension's regular programming. For more information, contact the University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension's Emergency Response Team at 608-262-3800.

Farmers Markets in Milwaukee are doubling EBT through the end of 2020. Milwaukee Market Match is for SNAP/EBT transactions, except at the Fondy Farmers Market who is doubling SNAP/EBT and doubling up WIC and Senior FMNP. Click on the images to open link to the flyers. Additional information:

<https://milwaukee.extension.wisc.edu/foodwise/milwaukeefarmersmarketcoalition/>

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It is anticipated that the Meal Program will continue outdoor distribution of to-go meals into 2021. Volunteers are still needed but limited to 8 per day.



Got EBT?
Get **FREE** fruits & veggies!

Milwaukee Market Match

BUY \$1 with QUEST card → **GET \$1 of FREE produce***

*up to \$20 per person per day

Fondy Farmers Market • Greenfield Farmers Market
Riverwest Farmers Market • Shorewood Farmers Market
Tosa Farmers Market

For more info, visit bit.ly/EBTMKE

Information for Conference Members

October is Vincentian Awareness Month Now more than ever the mission of the St. Vincent de Paul Society can make an impact as people search for ways to bring relief to those who suffer during this time of crisis. Use this opportunity to raise awareness about the work of your conference to provide aid to those in need in your local community and what the call to this vocation of serving God in His poor means to you.

From the Heart: Founders of the St. Vincent de Paul Society [English](#) [Spanish](#)

In the Heart: Vincentian Friendship, Spirituality, Service [English](#)

Annual Report Due Oct. 21st: The annual reports and membership lists have been emailed or mailed to conference treasurers and presidents. Instructions are included but feel free to contact [Michelle](#) if you have any questions.

Q& A from Frederic E-Gazette **Q:** During this Coronavirus pandemic when we are not doing any Home Visits with our friends in need, how do we keep track of our phone interviews? **A:** Phone interviews in place of Home Visits are now being done across the country due to the Coronavirus and should be reported in the same manner as you would a Home Visit, except phone interviews should be entered under Other In-Person Visits on the Conference annual report.

Q: Some of our Conferences have pantries where people come in and pick up food on a regular basis. Other Conferences take food to the homes during a home visit. Other Conferences deliver food as needed and not part of a true home visit. In the past, our reporting of these activities on the "Special Works" form has been somewhat inconsistent. We'd like to correct that. We'd appreciate any clarification. **A:** Anytime a Vincentian takes food to a family, it is not a special works; it's part of what we do with home visits. We take food with us; or deliver groceries on home visits. However, if there is a pantry operation or onsite food distribution center where food is picked up, then it is a special works. These are two different services provided.

Upcoming Virtual Meetings: Registration information is forthcoming.

NEW Presidents Orientation: Thursday, October 29 6PM

New Member Meeting: Introduction to the Society: Tuesday, November 10 6PM

Presidents Meeting: Thursday, November 19th at 6PM