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Thanksgiving Farmers Market to be Held on Saturday, November 21 in Downtown Bristol

(BRISTOL, CT November 16, 2020) – The City of Bristol is planning to hold a Thanksgiving Farmers Market on Saturday, November 21st from 10am to 1pm at Centre Square in downtown Bristol.

“The market will be held weather permitting and is dependent on COVID levels,” said Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu. “We are reserving the right to cancel this market based on the weather forecast for that day and/or if the local infection rate increases dramatically.”

Farmers Markets are considered essential services under the Governor’s Executive Orders,” said Councilman Peter Kelley. “Our goal is to provide a safe outdoor market for the community to shop for fresh food and locally-made products.”

Expected vendors and food trucks will be:

Amazing Love Farm
Better Baking By Beth
Cafe Real
Continuum Distillery
Eaton Farm
Firefly Hollow Brewing
Gresczyk Farm
Nature View Farm
Oma’s Pride
Perkins Pure Sugar House
Ridgerunner Soap
Tonn’s Orchard
Twin Pines Farm
West’s Side Jerky

FOOD TRUCKS:

Dude’s Donuts
Heavenly Smoke BBQ

Anyone who attends the market is encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item or cash to donate to the Bristol Letter Carriers Food Drive. All donations will be distributed to local food pantries and shelters.

Guest nonprofits in attendance will include the Bristol Exchange Club which will be selling raffle tickets for a chance to win prizes with proceeds going to the Parent & Child Center to fund essential programs and services; the Clock & Watch Museum which will be showcasing programs and museum tours available to the community – both in-person and virtually – as well as featuring items from the museum store; the Rotary Club of Bristol will be collecting donations for the 2020 Liberty Bank Turkey Drive to benefit Meals for Neighbors – Liberty Bank will be donating 25 cents for every dollar raised; and, the United Way of West Central Connecticut that will be collecting toys for its annual Toys for Tots program.

“As a reminder, before visiting the market on Saturday, we ask the community to please review the following guidelines,” said Zoppo-Sassu.

- If you are feeling sick – stay home, and ask a friend or family member to shop for you.
- We may be required to limit the number of customers into the market at one time, in accordance with guidance from the State of CT Department of Agriculture, so be prepared to briefly wait in line to enter the market or come later when there are less people.
- Follow the directional signs which indicate parking areas and the market entrance.
- Wear a face mask or cloth face covering while shopping at the market.
- Upon entering the market use the hand sanitizer – a hand sanitizer station will be located at the entrance.
- Practice social distancing by keeping a distance of at least 6 feet from other customers and vendors while waiting in line.
- Shop with your eyes, not your hands. Vendors will be happy to assist you with items you wish to purchase.
- Wash all produce thoroughly before using it.

Visit: <https://www.bristolallheart.com/farmersmarket> for important updates and additional information.

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