

# Feed the Community!

It's simple, at the end of the farmers market, ask participating vendors if they have any donations, collect them, and then take them to:

## Shenandoah Community Food Pantry

Address: 1209 Fifth Ave.

### Pantry Contact:

Jeannine Liljedahl 712-215-2488

### Donation Drop off:

- Drop off donations at the conclusion of the Shenandoah Garden City Farmers Market on Wednesdays (2:00 - 5:00pm)
- Jeannine will be at the pantry on Wed. until 5:30/6pm to receive donations
- The pantry can also receive donations from the Saturday market if given a heads up beforehand via her phone number mentioned above.

### Acceptable Items:

Any, including home-baked goods as long as they are from the market.

### Liability Protection

The Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Act protects donors of food from liability when donated to a non-profit organization that ultimately distributes to needy individuals. Should the food make someone ill, the donor is protected from civil and criminal liability as long as they donated the food "in good faith", meaning they fully believed the food was safe to consume. Methods to maintain food safety such as refrigeration, need to be followed throughout the duration of the donation process. Liability protection is extended to donations made by restaurants, retail grocers, manufacturers, caterers, food trucks, food banks, farmers, gleaners, schools, and food service companies such as corporations, partnerships, organizations, and associations.

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# Volunteers Needed!



## Make a **BIG IMPACT** in Shenandoah with just a tiny fraction of your time at the end of the farmers market!

The Garden City Farmers Market in Shenandoah, Iowa allows vendors to sell everything under the sun that is homegrown or handmade including jams, cookies, pies, eggs, plants, crafts, and wholesome grown produce that help support local farmers, food artisans and the economy. You can help support your local community by volunteering! It'll only take about 30 minutes of your time.

### Are you a vendor?

Please consider donating leftover edible foods at the conclusion of the farmers market.

### Do you have a few free minutes at the conclusion of your local farmers market?

We are looking for volunteers to collect leftover edible foods from vendors at the end of the farmers market and transport it to a local food pantry that feeds Shenandoah's food insecure.

## Shenandoah Garden City Farmers Market

Wednesdays 2:00pm-5:00pm  
Saturdays 9:00am-12:00pm  
7th Avenue

June  
THROUGH  
October

## Develop your volunteer base

### step 1

#### Contact Local Food Banks, Pantries and Soup Kitchens

Find out what kind of foods they accept and when they accept them.

### step 2

#### Partner with your Local Farmers Market

Contact your local farmers market manager to ask them to share volunteer and donation information with vendors to get the ball rolling.

### step 3

#### Get People to Sign-up

Set up a booth at the farmers market soliciting volunteers to donate, collect, and transport food at the conclusion of the farmers market to a predetermined food bank or pantry.

Download the volunteer sign up sheet



[iwrc.uni.edu/food-waste/farmers-market](http://iwrc.uni.edu/food-waste/farmers-market)

### step 4

#### Host a Kick-Off Meeting

Everyone can meet each other including vendors, recipient organizations, and collection and transport volunteers. Use the meeting as a time to invoke community pride but also train your volunteers about how to get the job done.

### step 5

#### Make It Easy

Send reminders to volunteers when it is their turn to collect and transport donations.

### step 6

#### Reward Volunteers

At the end of the season, thank everyone by hosting a dinner or banquet and consider giving awards to volunteers and donors.

