



BONUS BUCKS IS BACK FOR THE 2020 SEASON!

Stretch your food dollars, support your local farmer and take advantage of the great local food we have right here in St. Lawrence County. It's a win, win for everyone! GardenShare's Bonus Bucks program, offers a cost sharing arrangement with income eligible St. Lawrence County residents to purchase either a Community Supported Agricultural (CSA) Share, or for purchases at any of the following five St. Lawrence County Farmers Markets: Canton, Potsdam, Massena, Gouverneur or Hammond.

How It Works

- 1) Determine if you meet the income criteria on attached application and if so,
- 2) Chose one of the following Bonus Bucks options:

Option 1: Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Share

Through this option, you can work with one of the local growers (on back of this page) to pre-purchase a "Share" for the growing season. In essence, you become an investor in the farm and in exchange, you are guaranteed a return in produce at regular intervals throughout the season. Every farmer has slightly different arrangements with their "investors" so it is important for you to connect directly with the farmer in advance to determine which arrangement will work best for you. If you chose a CSA, GardenShare will match your costs, up to a maximum of \$250. For example, if you chose a share that costs \$350, we will match half of that cost. You pay \$175 and we pay \$175. If you chose a share that costs \$550, you pay \$300 and we pay \$250. You may be able to pay for your SHARE with SNAP benefits, but will require arrangements in advance, and will be considered on a case by case basis.

Option 2: St. Lawrence County Farmers Market Purchases

Purchase up to 50 Bonus Bucks Farmers Market cards worth \$10 each directly from GardenShare and we will match your costs up to \$250. For example, if you purchase 10 cards (worth \$100), you pay \$50 and we pay \$50. If you purchased 50 cards (worth \$500), you pay \$250 and we pay \$250. Those cards are then yours to be exchanged at any of the 5 St. Lawrence County Farmers Market Managers tables for Bonus Buck tokens that can be used as cash at the market for any SNAP eligible items. The tokens do not expire. This option is NOT available to SNAP recipients as there are other farmers market incentive programs we sponsor specifically for families receiving SNAP.

- 3) Once you have made your choice and decided what you wish to spend, fill out GardenShare's Bonus Bucks application and submit payment. All information must be provided as requested in order for your application to be considered.
- 4) Once application and payment is received by GardenShare, we will review and contact you to finalize the process.
- 5) Enjoy the amazing local food St. Lawrence County has to offer and help build a strong local food system!

Bonus Bucks will be available until funds are exhausted. Bonus Bucks is made possible through the generous support of the following organizations: St. Lawrence University Kappa Delta Sigma Sorority, Upper NY United Methodist Women, and Nature's Storehouse, as well as through donations from GardenShare supporters.

FARM – CSA 2020 LIST	PICK UP LOCATIONS	SEASON/PRODUCTS	COST
Birdsfoot Farm, Canton 315-388-4852 birdsfoot@gmail.com www.birdsfootfarm.weebly.com	At farm (near Canton), also in Canton, Potsdam	18 Weeks, June- Oct. Student, late Aug-Dec. 12 Winter Shares start Oct.24 Vegetables, herbs, flowers	Single or Couple: \$440 Family Share: \$850 Student Shares: \$310 Plus other options available
Kent Family Growers, Lisbon 315-212-7502 dan@kentfamilygrowers.com www.kentfamilygrowers.com	Canton, Potsdam, Madrid	Summer produce: June-Nov:Vegetables, herbs, berries, melons, cider Winter Share: Nov-March Certified organic	Basic: \$400 Full: \$600 Winter: Small \$405, Medium \$450 and Large \$495
Whitten Family Farm, Winthrop 315-328-5559 WhittenFamilyFarm@gmail.com www.whittenfamilyfarm.com	On farm in Winthrop, Potsdam, Massena, Tupper Lake	20 weeks: June- Oct. Vegetables, melons, berries Fall: ends December NOFA-NY Farmers Pledge	Full: \$440 Half: \$250 Fall Veggie: \$100(2 people) Meat: Basic(50lbs) \$250 Prime(30lbs) \$280
8 O'clock Ranch, DeKalb Jct 315-347-4352 info@8oclockranch.com www.8oclockranch.com	Potsdam, Canton, Madrid, Pick-up and delivery	Year round service of beef, pork, lamb, chicken, turkey, duck, eggs, and maple products.	Small share (25+ servings): \$110/per month Large share (50+servings): \$195/per month
Fullers Farm, Canton 315-244-6356 fullersfarm@gmail.com	Delivery available - Wed. in Potsdam & Canton. On farm pick up flexible as needed. Pick up at Potsdam Farmers Mkt on Sat. and at Gouverneur Farmers Mkt on Thurs	Minimum of 18 weeks starting at the end of June through last week of October. Vegetables, Herbs, and honey grown without the use of synthetic pesticides.	Full Share: \$550 Partial Share: \$375 Senior citizen (or single share): \$275 (\$25 discount if paid by April 15, 2020)
littleGrasse Foodworks, Canton 315-854-5395 littlegrasse@gmail.com www.littlegrasse.com	At farm (1 mile from downtown Canton)	Full Season You Pick (May – October) Summer You Pick (May-August) Fall You Pick (Sept & Oct)	Full Season: \$375-1 adult \$625-2 adults Summer: \$255-1 adult \$476-2 adults Fall: \$136-1 adult \$256-2 adults
Irish Hill Farm, Oswegatchie 315-848-7414 pdarling677@hotmail.com	Oswegatchie, Star Lake, Wanakena, Newton Falls, Cranberry Lake, and Harrisville.	16-week shares. Beans, lettuce, corn and various other vegetables. Fruits and melons.	Half Share: \$320 Full Share: \$480

For more information reach us at info@gardenshare.org or 315-261-8054

GARDENSHARE BONUS BUCKS APPLICATION - 2020

Fill out completely and return to GardenShare,
PO Box 516, Canton, NY 13617

<p>I qualify for Bonus Bucks because the total income of my household is at/below the levels listed in the chart: (limit one per household per year)</p> <p>Number of people in household: _____</p> <p>Household Income: _____</p> <p>Their Ages: _____ (This information is required by our funders)</p>	<p>No. People in Household</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p> <p>5</p>	<p>Annual Income (250% of poverty threshold)</p> <p>\$31,900</p> <p>\$43,100</p> <p>\$54,300</p> <p>\$65,500</p> <p>\$76,700</p>
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(each additional person \$11,200)

Signed: _____

CHOOSE AN OPTION

CSA Share

Farmers Market Purchase Card

Name of CSA Farm (from list above): _____

Total Cost of CSA Share: \$ _____

Minus Bonus Bucks (Half your share) \$ _____

Amount you pay the CSA Farm \$ _____
(Check made payable to CSA Farm)

Number of Cards requested: _____

Total cost of cards(\$10/each): \$ _____

Minus Bonus Bucks (half the total): \$ _____

Amount you pay to GardenShare: \$ _____
(Check made payable to GardenShare)

Print your name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

GardenShare Office Only

Date Application Received _____

Date Approved _____

Date Cards Mailed _____

Notes _____