

# 2019 Organic Produce CSA



## Homer Organic Family Farms



### Our Farming Practices

We farm much the same way as our forefathers of the 1930's. Our fields are plowed and worked with horses. Our large families provide many hands to do the planting, picking rocks, hoeing, weeding, harvesting, washing produce and packing boxes.

We are certified organic. Every year all of our farms are inspected by a third party and the information sent to our certifier to verify that we are in compliance with National Organic Program Standards. This is to assure you that we are not using harmful chemicals and pesticides or genetically-modified organism (GMO) seeds.

### About Us

We farmers (there are seven participating in our co-op) have been raising produce for more than a decade, providing fresh vegetables for farmer's markets and several Ann Arbor food stores.

We, being of the Amish faith, do not have computers or e-mail, and only limited access to phones. Our communication is best done by mail or through our friends at Arbor Farms.

### What is a CSA Program?

By subscribing to a CSA you are investing in a share of the farmer's harvest. You are also sharing the farmer's risk. If a crop fails we will need to substitute something else or wait for the next planting. You will get a box of fresh vegetables every week. The early harvest begins May 29th, continues throughout summer, and ends October 10th ( for a total of 20 weeks).

Not only are subscribers getting the freshest food, but they are also showing their support for the small farmer. The program works well for farmers and members both. The farmer can plan how much to grow; the member knows they have a box of fresh vegetables coming every week. It makes shopping quite simple. It broadens your eating habits, as you will try new things you've never had before. It can challenge the cook. A seed catalog to us is like a cookbook to you. Sometimes we like to try new items. So be our guest and enjoy the food.

### What might I see in my weekly box?

#### Early Season: May/June

Asparagus,  
Leaf Lettuce,  
Swiss Chard,  
Kale varieties,  
Collards,  
Zucchini,  
Peas: Snap and Shell,  
Salad Greens,  
Rhubarb

#### Summer Season: June/July/August

Lettuce, Broccoli, Cabbage,  
Radishes, Beans, Peppers,  
Zucchini, Cucumbers, Hot Peppers,  
Carrots, Peas, Tomatoes,  
Sweet Potatoes, Basil,  
Cantaloupe, Potatoes,  
Green Onions, Sweet Corn,  
Onions, Eggplant, Beets,  
Garlic, Watermelon

#### Late Season: September/October

Remaining summer crops,  
Red Peppers,  
Hard Squash,  
Spinach,  
Late Greens,  
Turnips,  
Parsnips

## Community Supported Agriculture



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**Duration: 20 weeks/  
May 29 - October 10**

**Cost: \$400**

**Share Size: 1/2 Bushel box**  
(2-person size, about 9-10 lbs  
will vary w/ seasonal contents)

### Subscriber Information

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Choose your Pickup Time:** (circle one)

**Wednesdays @ 7:30AM**      or      **Thursdays @ 2:30PM**

Picking up your box within one hour of designated time will yield the freshest produce. All pickups will take place in a designated area in front of Arbor Farms, outside the store and under our canopy to protect from the elements as much as possible. **You will be able to park, pick up your box, and be on your way in as little as 60 seconds!** Please note that boxes not picked up within 36 hours will be donated to Food Gatherers.

**Choose your Payment Schedule:** (circle one)

\$400 paid in full

\$200 now, remaining \$200 by May 27th

fresh. local. organic.



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