



# Covid-19 Preparedness and Response Plan

To our Walled Lake Farmers Market Community,

I would like to thank you for your patience and flexibility during this difficult and uncertain time surrounding COVID-19.

As a farmers market, we operate to promote access to healthy, locally grown food and high-quality products. To continue doing so, our 2020 market operations will change to uphold this mission and ensure the safety of our customers and vendors.

For the protection and safety of our Farmers Market community, opening day has been scheduled to **June 17, 2020**.

Consistent with Governor Whitmer's [Executive Order 2020-110](#), outdoor social gatherings may operate so long as people maintain six feet of distance from one another and the assemblage consists of no more than 100 people.

To promote social distancing and to limit large gatherings, the Walled Lake Farmers Market encourages **but does not require vendors** to conduct businesses as a pre-order, walk-up market. Customers may place orders ahead of market day and pick-up in person on Wednesdays between 7AM-1PM at the Public Safety Campus Field. A list of participating vendors and their contact information will be made available to the public on the City's social media pages. By engaging in remote sales, the market can remain a safe space for all members.

For folks who are unable to pre-order, vendors may conduct business on-site and offer a selection of items/produce for customers' to purchase. However, the market strongly encourages limiting customers' ability to touch products/produce to reduce frequent touch spots. Customers may point to what they want to purchase. To adhere to social distancing requirements, customers may need to wait to view items/produce.

To comply with current legal requirements outlined in [Executive Order 2020-110](#), listed below are changes that will go into effect:

## BOOTH LAYOUT AND NAVIGATION

There will be one entrance and one exit that customers can access. This will help promote efficiency and sustainability for social distancing at the market. Additionally, vendors will be staggered to maintain six feet distancing. Customers will also find demarcations indicating safe distances for pick-up.

As an essential food retail establishment, the Walled Lake Farmers Market will implement additional practices to keep the community and space safe.

FACE COVERINGS

Folks who are able to medically tolerate a face mask are **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** to wear one over his or her nose and mouth. This applies to vendors and patrons. More information on how to create an appropriate covering can be found [here](#).

***At this time, we can operate as a social market.***

To ensure our market remains safe for social gatherings and food consumption these practices will be enforced until it is safe to lift these precautions:

- NO food consumption on-site.
- NO seating areas or children's activities.
- NO samples or tasting stations.
- NO inclusion of dogs, or pets.

In addition to these changes, the Walled Lake Farmers Market strongly encourages:

- Limiting on-site, shopping
- Limiting cash transactions by transitioning to online sales.
- Proper handwashing and sanitizing habits.  
(*Handwashing stations will be available*)

***Do not attend the market if you have a compromised immune system and/or are not feeling well!***

A list of our participating vendors and their contact information can be found on the City's social media pages.

Thank you for your continued patience and flexibility as we navigate these unprecedented times together.



- Hana Jaquays  
Market Manager