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## News Release

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### **State Street Farmer's Market matching Snap/EBT benefits**

Bristol's State Street Farmer's Market is pleased to announce that the market will once again participate in the SNAP / EBT program. SNAP recipients can take their EBT card to the concession stand located on site and swipe their cards in exchange for wooden tokens that they can then use to purchase farm fresh vegetables, fruits, eggs, meats, homemade food goods and more from participating vendors.



The State Street Farmer's Market is also pleased to announce that SNAP / EBT recipients will be able to double their benefit dollars, up to a \$20.00 match. For example if a SNAP recipient wishes to claim \$10.00 worth of tokens, they will actually receive \$20.00. If they want to claim \$20.00 worth of tokens, they will actually receive \$40.00. This project is funded under an

agreement with the State of Tennessee Department of Health and made possible by the Sullivan County Regional Health Department. Matching funds will be available as long as grant dollars last.

According to Mike Musick, Recreation Superintendent, "This is a great opportunity for folks who participate in the SNAP/EBT program to get the most out of their benefits and get a great variety of fresh food products for their family. And it doesn't get any fresher than the State Street Farmer's Market where you get to know the folks who grow and produce the farm fresh vegetables, fruits, meat, eggs and homemade goods from right here where we live."

The market is open Saturdays from 8:00 am – 12 Noon through the end of October. Beginning July 1, the market will be open on Wednesday afternoons from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm. The State Street Farmer's Market is located at 810 State Street in beautiful historic downtown Bristol. The market was opened in 1999 and has been operated continually since. The market website address is [www.statestreetfarmersmarket.com](http://www.statestreetfarmersmarket.com) or like the market on Facebook at State Street Farmers Market.