



BONUS BUCKS IS BACK FOR THE 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 25 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: Allen Foundation, St. Lawrence University Kappa Delta Sigma Sorority, America's Farmers Grow Communities Award, Stewart's Shops, Nature's Storehouse and Canton's Middle School Green Team, as well as through donations from GardenShare supporters.

FARM – CSA 2019 LIST	PICK UP LOCATIONS	SEASON/PRODUCTS	COST
Birdsfoot Farm, Canton 315-388-4852 birdsfoot@gmail.com 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: \$400 Family Share: \$780 Student Shares: \$290 Plus other options available
Kent Family Growers, Libson 315-212-7502 kentfamilygrowers@hotmail.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	18 weeks: June- Oct. Vegetables, melons, berries Fall: ends Thanksgiving NOFA-NY Farmers Pledge	Full: \$375 Half: \$215 Fall Veggie:\$60(2 people) Meat: Basic(40lbs) \$200 Prime(30lbs) \$210
8 O'clock Ranch, DeKalb Jct 315-347-4352 info@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): \$95/per month Large share (50+servings): \$175/per month
Fullers Farm, Canton 315-379-1412 fullersfarm@gmail.com	Delivery available in in Potsdam and Canton. On farm pick up flexible as needed	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: \$525 Partial Share: \$350 Senior citizen (or single share): \$275
littleGrasse Foodworks, Canton 315-854-5395 littlegrasse@gmail.com littleGrasse.com	At farm (1 mile from downtown Canton)	Share 1: Greens and beyond- you pick. 18 wks Share 2: Fresh, Fall. 8 wks Share 3: Homestead Bulk	Share 1: \$210 per adult in the household Share 2: \$204 per adult Share 3: \$348
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 - 2019

Fill out completely and return to GardenShare,
 PO Box 516, Canton, NY 13617 or scan and email to info@gardenshare.org

<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>(each additional person \$10,450)</p>	<p>Annual Income (250% of poverty threshold)</p> <p>\$30,150</p> <p>\$40,600</p> <p>\$51,050</p> <p>\$61,500</p> <p>\$71,950</p>
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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: _____