

2023 SENIOR FARMERS MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM

Meals on Wheels Durham is excited to offer clients vouchers to participate in the 2023 North Carolina Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) at no cost! While we have participated in this program before, there's a new change this year—volunteers can now act as proxies for seniors and receive the vouchers on their behalf.

SFMNP VOLUNTEER PROXY INSTRUCTIONS

- Hand the client the SFMNP envelope and explain that it contains an application to receive vouchers worth \$50 for use at participating farmers markets.
- Ask the client to fill in the highlighted fields on both sides of the application. Offer assistance if needed.
- Ensure the client acknowledges the income requirement stated on the first page. If their monthly income exceeds the specified amount, they are not eligible for the program and should not proceed with the application. No proof of income is required, but they must truthfully attest to their eligibility.
- Print your name on the line provided on the back of the application, which asks for the name of the proxy. This allows you, as the volunteer, to collect vouchers on their behalf. Only the applicants or assigned proxies can use these vouchers at farmers markets. If the client cannot attend the farmers market themselves, they need to designate another proxy to use the vouchers.
- **5** Once you finish your route, please return to the MOWD office and deliver the application to the Volunteer Services Coordinator or another staff member.
- The client's application will be processed by the following week. When you arrive for your next route, you will need to sign documentation to receive the vouchers for delivery.
- The vouchers will be enclosed in an envelope labeled with the client's name. When you deliver their meal, bring the envelope and inform the client, or their assigned proxy, that they can use the vouchers at their local farmers market to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables.

