

## Cash/EBT Tokens, Market Bucks, and Coupons

Customers at NE Farmers Market may use these alternative forms of cash: (Look for the Northeast Farmers Market logo!)

EBT Eligible Food Items Only		
Market Bucks (\$1 value)	EBT Token (\$1 value)	
Market Bucks SOIL Farmers Markets  \$1	TO CHANGE ONCE	
NO CHANGE may be given		

Work Like Cash (Anyone can accept)		
Cash Token (\$5 value)	Coupon (\$1 value)	
* TOATHEAST * * FEMILIAS MAINE *  * CHANGE OF	Use like cash with any Market vendor!  Northeast  COUPON  FARMERS  COUPON  Saturdays, rain or shine, 9am-1pm 629 2nd Street NE Minneapolis	
Cash Change is OK		

### EBT Tokens (Red) and Market Bucks

- They are worth \$1 each.
- These can only be used to purchase eligible foods items (see list below).
- EBT tokens and Market Bucks look different, but they work the same.
- No change can be given. (Note: it is illegal to exchange EBT for cash).

### PoP Club (Green)

- They are worth \$2 each.
- These work like cash and can only be use to purchase fruits and vegetables.

### Cash Tokens (Black) and Coupons

- Cash tokens are worth \$5.
- Coupons are worth \$1 each.
- Both work just like <u>cash</u> and can be used to purchase anything.
- Cash change should be given.
  - Please do not give EBT tokens or Market Bucks as change!
- All vendors can accept Cash Tokens & Coupons

# **Redemption and Reimbursement**

<u>Vendors are responsible to return all Tokens, Market Bucks, and Coupons to the Information Tent for redemption</u>. Market staff will record the total amount turned in. Both market staff and the vendor will initial to verify the correct total.

Reimbursement checks will be distributed at the market, by mail, or via Venmo. Ask market staff how to setup a Venmo account.

#### What is EBT?

o Formerly known as the Food Stamp Program, EBT (Electronic Benefit Transfer) is the debit card system that delivers food and cash benefits to qualifying consumers. Food benefits are distributed through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). "EBT" and "SNAP" can be used interchangeably.

In general: all <u>produce</u> vendors, most <u>baked goods</u> vendors, and some <u>specialty food</u> vendors may accept EBT and Market Bucks.

EBT Eligible Food Items		
YES, you CAN sell:	NO, you CANNOT sell:	
<ul> <li>Fruits and vegetables</li> <li>Breads, grains, cereals</li> <li>Meats, fish, poultry and dairy products</li> <li>Other food and food products for human consumption.</li> <li>Seeds and plants which produce food for the household to eat</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Food that will be eaten on-premise</li> <li>Hot foods</li> <li>Alcohol, beer, wine, liquor, cigarettes or tobacco</li> <li>Nonfood items such as: pet foods, soaps, paper products, household supplies</li> <li>Vitamins and minerals</li> </ul>	

### **Signage**

Vendors who accept EBT must display "EBT Accepted Here" signage every day at their tent(s). The market will provide signage if needed. Please keep track of your sign. ©

#### **Customer Process**

- <u>EBT</u>: Customers looking to use EBT should find the Information Booth where staff will swipe their EBT card for the amount they wish to spend. In exchange, customers receive EBT tokens and Market Bucks to buy eligible food items.
- <u>Cash Tokens</u>: are available at the Information Booth for customers who forgot or run short on cash. Staff can swipe their credit or debit card for the amount they choose in \$5 increments. In exchange, customers receive Cash Tokens to spend at the market. We charge customers \$1 to cover transaction fees.