Urban Harvest Farmers Market Vendor Application

The Urban Harvest Farmers Markets is a farmers market operated by Urban Harvest; it complies with all federal, state, county and city regulations. Urban Harvest is a non-profit organization whose mission is to use fruit, vegetable and habitat gardens to improve quality of life in the greater Houston area. These gardens serve to educate, strengthen community spirit, create therapeutic environments and provide food and income. We teach organic gardening techniques, help neighborhoods build successful community gardens, create outdoor classrooms at schools that teach core curricula, nutrition and respect for the environment, provide fresh, locally grown food, and encourage responsible land use. Our work benefits all of us by improving food, diet and health. It also builds engaging schools, neighborly communities, and valuable local businesses that together sustain and improve our environment.

The main goals of the market include:

- Promoting the sustainable production, marketing, and consumption of local agriculture produce.
- Educating the community about local growing conditions and food crops and about the nutritional and culinary benefits of eating local produce in season.
- Contributing to the local economy by redirecting consumers’ food dollars from non-local to local growers and producers.
- Incubating new, small food-based businesses.
- Providing a community gathering place.

Admittance to the market depends on approval by the Urban Harvest Farmers Market Committee/Management Team created by Urban Harvest to manage the market. In general, vendors must sell products grown or produced by the vendor within 180 miles of Houston, hold ALL required permits, licenses, and insurance policies necessary for their business operation, sign the indemnity agreement included in this vendor application holding Urban Harvest harmless, allow market representatives to inspect their farm and production facilities prior to selling at the market and any potential additional visits; and pay the annual vendor fee and daily market fees. All vendors at the Urban Harvest Farmers Markets are bound by the market rules that were adopted originally for the Urban Harvest Farmers Market at Eastside. Over time, these rules will be amended and updated to more specifically reflect and address the unique aspects, needs and requirements of the Urban Harvest Farmers Markets.
CONTACT INFORMATION:

Farm/Business Name: ________________________________________________________________

Name of Owner or Proprietor: _______________________________________________________

Mailing address: __________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip code: __________________________________________________________________

Physical address: ___________________________________________________________________

E-mail address: _______________________________________________________________________

Website Address: ___________________________________________________________________

Telephones (specify home, office, cell, fax): ______________________________________________

FARMER OR VENDOR DETAILS:

Business Type (check all that apply):
fruits/vegetables_____ dairy_____ meat_____ fish_____ baked goods_____ prepared foods_____ nursery products_____ eggs_____ erbs_____ other (specify) ______________________________

Short list of agricultural products:
_________________________________________________________________________________
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Short list of value added products (i.e. baked goods, soups, etc.):
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Time of year you would be at the market:
_________________________________________________________________________________
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FARMERS GROWING PRACTICES:
Check all that apply. Please refer to glossary of definitions at the back of the application.

_______ conventional
_______ certified organic (please include certificate with application)
_______ free of synthetic chemicals
_______ sustainable/naturally grown
_______ hydroponic
**ALL OTHER VENDORS:**
Please demonstrate how you meet or plan to meet our majority local standard by filling in the following table listing local ag products that you use or plan to use and your local sources for those products. Please note that we define local as being within 180 miles of Houston.

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What makes your products appropriate for the Urban Harvest Farmers Market:

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Do we have permission to use your information in any print or web-based guide distributed to the public? Please refer to the Urban Harvest website to the “Meet the vendors” page and you can supply us with any information about your business that you wish to share.

_______ yes
_______ no

List the full names of family members or employees who may sell for you:

___________________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________

PRODUCTS LIST
List the items that will be sold at the market and approximate dates of availability. Vendors will be expected to sell only what is listed. The application will not be processed without a detailed list of crops and other products you will bring to the market. List more crops, if needed, on a separate list.

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PLEASE PROVIDE COPIES OF ALL LICENSES AND PERMITS!
These may include food manufactures license, nursery permit, organic certification, dairy permit, mobile food license, sales tax permit, scale certification, food manager’s certification, and any others.

Please include a copy of limits page of any insurance policies you hold for the operation of your business.

Please include a map and directions to your farm, growing area, or kitchen so that market representatives may visit it. Inspection visits will be scheduled ahead of time.

*Please do not hesitate to call the market manager for any questions or concerns.* We will be more than willing to help direct you to the appropriate channels to get the proper permits and certificates.

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Participation Agreement

The application, membership, and annual fees have been waived for the Urban Harvest Farmers Markets for now.

Each vendor will be required to pay a day fee per stall for each market attended. Each week the vendor is at the market, there will be a fee per 10x10 space that will be determined by the market committee/management team. Daily booth fees depend on the market. Vendors acknowledge that these fees may change per the Market Committee’s request.

Vendor has read and understands the Market Rules for the Urban Harvest Farmers Market and is bound by the terms and conditions outlined there. Vendors may sell only what is listed on this application, and any additional items that a vendor would like to sell must be reviewed by the market committee. Vendors are responsible for the quality and safety of what they sell.

We, the undersigned, agree to comply and abide by the rules and regulations of the Urban Harvest Farmers Market program. This agreement admits the producer under the same terms and conditions as other participating producers, and does not constitute permission to participate if the market’s rules and conditions are violated.

Producer:
Signature: __________________________________________________________________________________

Print Name: _________________________________________________________________________________

Date: ______________________________________________________________________________________

Market Manager:
Signature: __________________________________________________________________________________

Print Name: _________________________________________________________________________________

Date: ______________________________________________________________________________________
Indemnity Agreement

The vendor shall indemnify, keep and save harmless Urban Harvest and all agencies that Urban Harvest has agreements with, from and against any and all claims and demands resulting from vendor’s acts and omissions, whether for injuries to persons, or loss of life, or damage to property, on or off market premises, arising out of the use or occupancy of the market premises by vendor, and shall defend at vendor’s own expense any actions brought against Urban Harvest and any organizations or persons with which Urban Harvest has a contractual agreement.

Vendor Signature:___________________________________________________________________________

Date:______________________________________________________________________________________