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Season Extended for Two Farmers Market Locations

The Fairfax County Park Authority will extend its farmers market season at two locations: Burke and McCutcheon/Mount Vernon Farmers Markets. The McCutcheon/Mount Vernon Farmers Market will be open Wednesdays until December 14, 2016. Burke Farmers Market will be open Saturdays until December 17, 2016.

Customers can preorder fresh produce, meats, cheese, pies and eggs for the holidays, or stop by for fresh produce, bread and honey. Rolling into markets right now are tons of winter squash, greens, apples, potatoes, mix and match greens, carrots and more!

This is a great time to try out winter recipes such as butternut squash soup, carrot cake, or whip up something on the fly. Additionally, you can stock up on gifts such as honey and lip balm made from beeswax, and delicious jams.

A holiday feast that includes ingredients from the farmers markets is a great way to support local farmers and businesses. Our markets are strictly producer-only meaning that our vendors must grow or make from scratch everything they bring to the market. This gives customers the unique opportunity to ask farmers directly about their growing methods, animal welfare practices and more!

For a Produce Guide of harvest times please visit:

<http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/vagrown/pdf/producechart.pdf>.

For more information, including locations, directions and a list of vendors at each market go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets or contact the Community Horticulture Office at 703-642-0128.

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