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#### 22 businesses

are supported by our markets, over the course of the year

the market allows new and small businesses to enter the marketplace



## 62 employees

are supported by our vendors' businesses

Small businesses create new meaningful employment opportunities



# 33 farm employees

are supported by our vendors' businesses

Eating locally grown food supports our farmers!



### 15 miles

average distance food travels from farm to our market

That's fresh! Most food eaten in the U.S. has travelled nearly 1,200 miles



#### 79 acres

of diversified farmland in production by vendors

America loses an acre of farmland every hour to development



#### 10 of our vendors

are women-owned businesses

Our market offers economic opportunity to all members of our community



The market is supported by a volunteer market manager who is assisted by an advisory committee made up of customers, city staff, vendors, extension staff, and community groups.

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## \$39,541

In total market sales for the season

Small businesses benefit from this market



# \$4,521 in incentive sales

SNAP, Double Up Food Bucks, WIC and Senior Market Fresh

providing fresh food to our neighbors who need it most



# 186 number of SNAP transactions

an average of 9 families a week benefit from this program

Gratiot County's only market that accepts SNAP



# \$15 spent

by each customer, on an average market day

The Local Economy Wins



## 55 % of visitors

plan to shop nearby during market day

Markets are good neighbors



## \$12 spent

on average, at neighboring businesses during market day

That's money recycled back into the local economy



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# 4,977 total estimated visitors

visit our market throughout the season

visitors have twice as many encounters at a market than at a chain supermarket



#### 237 customers

visit our market on an average day

We appreciate the visitors who support our market!



#### 33 events hosted

events were hosted by the market throughout the season

Our market is a social gathering place in the community



# 764 volunteer hours

estimated hours were worked during the season

Volunteers keep our market running



### 50% of visitors

come to the market weekly

These shoppers depend on this market in our community



#### 63 % of visitors

came to the area specifically for the market

The market Increases foot traffic in our downtown area



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