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## **Maryland Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) 2016 Training Dates**

**Please note:** If you took this training previously, it is current for 3 full years. If you are new to the Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) or the WIC Fruit & Vegetable Check Program (FVC), **or took training prior to 2014**, you are required to participate in a training session in order to participate in the program this market season. All new farmers must attend a session in person. Renewing farmers may attend a session or join a conference call. Once you have completed the training it is good for 3 years.

The 2 hour training sessions are free and take place before or after the lunch hour; lunch is not provided (The only exception will be the training taking place during the Annual Farmers Market Conference on March 15<sup>th</sup>). The training sessions are not held in every county, however they are placed strategically around the state to try to ensure ease of attendance for multiple counties at a time. Please attend the one nearest or most convenient for you.

**It is required that you RSVP for the session you will be attending. Please see the link below.**

### **March**

1<sup>st</sup> – Garrett County: Garrett Co. UMD Extension Office, 1916 Maryland Hwy, Suite A, Mt Lake Park, MD 21550. 6:00 pm.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Allegany County: Allegany County Fairground, Expo Building 11490 Moss Avenue, Cumberland, MD 21502. 6:30 pm.

15<sup>th</sup> – Anne Arundel County: **Training will be incorporated into the Annual Farmers Market Conference at the Maryland Department of Agriculture.** 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD. The conference is from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. The FMNP training will take place at 3pm. Lunch will be included in the conference and there will be a \$30 cost per person for full day conference attendance. This is a dual MD/DC training. **Registration for this event will open on February 15<sup>th</sup> and will be available on the Maryland Department of Agriculture's website at [www.mda.maryland.gov](http://www.mda.maryland.gov)**

21<sup>st</sup> - St. Mary's County: Charlotte Hall Library, 37600 New Market Road, Charlotte Hall, MD. 1 pm.

22<sup>nd</sup> – Howard County: Howard County Fairgrounds Board Room - 2210 Fairgrounds Rd, West Friendship, MD 21794. 10:00 am.

23<sup>rd</sup> – Baltimore County: Baltimore County Agricultural Center, 1114 Shawan Road, Cockeysville, MD. First session: 10:00 am. Second session: 12:00 pm.

29<sup>th</sup> - Queen Anne's County: Wye Research & Education Center, 124 Wye Narrows Drive, Queenstown, MD 21658. 10:00 am.

29<sup>th</sup> - Caroline County: USDA Denton Office, 9194 Legion Rd, Denton, MD. 2:00 pm.

30<sup>th</sup> - Wicomico County: 31901 Tri County Way, Room #025, Salisbury, MD. 10:00 am.

### **April**

4<sup>th</sup> – Carroll County: Carroll County Economic Development Office, 225 N Center St #101, Westminster, MD 21157. First session: 9:00 am. Second session: 12:00 pm.

5<sup>th</sup> - Frederick County: Frederick Business Employment Center, 5340A Spectrum Drive, Frederick, MD. 1:00 pm.

11<sup>th</sup> - St. Mary's County: Charlotte Hall Library, 37600 New Market Road, Charlotte Hall, MD. 10:00 am.

11<sup>th</sup> - Prince George's County: Soil Conservation Office, 5301 Marlboro Race Track Road, Suite 100, Upper Marlboro, MD. 2:00 pm. **This is a dual MD/DC training.**

12<sup>th</sup> – Cecil County: Cecil County Economic Development Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd #2700, Elkton, MD 21921. 10:00 am.

15<sup>th</sup> - Montgomery County: Department of Economic Development, Agricultural Services Division, 18410 Muncaster Road, Derwood, MD. 10:00 am. **This is a dual MD/DC training.**

19<sup>th</sup> - Conference Calls with Webinar: Session one: 10:00 am. Session two: 1:00 pm. **This is a dual MD/DC training.**

22<sup>nd</sup> - Conference Calls with Webinar: Session one: 12 pm. Session two: 3pm. **This is a dual MD/DC training.**

28<sup>th</sup> - Conference Call with Webinar: 6:00 pm. **This is a dual MD/DC training.**

For those renewing farmers who choose a conference call/webinar, further information will be sent to you once you RSVP. New farmers must attend a training session in person.

For all training sessions (except for the one during the March 15<sup>th</sup> Farmers Market Conference) please RSVP at this link: <https://mdamarketing.wufoo.com/forms/2016-fmnp-training-schedule/>

For questions or if you have trouble registering with the link, please contact Shelby Watson Hampton at 410-841-5776 or [Shelby.Watson@Maryland.Gov](mailto:Shelby.Watson@Maryland.Gov)