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Clark Park Farmers Market Celebrates 20 Years This Saturday

Harvest Day includes cooking demonstrations, fresh food drive, announcement of Farmers Market Promotion grant and remarks from Congressman Dwight Evans

WHAT: Harvest Day at [Clark Park Farmers Market](#)
WHERE: 43rd Street and Baltimore Avenue, Philadelphia, PA
WHEN: Saturday, November 18, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (remarks begin at 11 a.m.)

Philadelphia, PA — On Saturday, November 18, **The Food Trust** will gather friends, farmers and community partners for **Harvest Day**, a celebration of **Clark Park Farmers Market's** 20th season.

At 11 a.m., The Food Trust will publicly launch our recently awarded [USDA Farmers Market Promotion Program \(FMPP\) grant](#), which supports farmers and increases access to nutritious locally grown food for lower-income communities. Special guests will include officials from U.S. Sen. Bob Casey's office and the City of Philadelphia Department of Parks & Recreation, as well as **U.S. Congressman Dwight Evans**, a longtime supporter of The Food Trust and healthy food access in Philadelphia.

"Farmers markets like the one here at Clark Park — which has been serving the community for 20 years — bridge the divide between urban and rural communities in a truly visible and impactful way," says **Congressman Evans**. "People in this community have access to the good food they need and deserve, and farmers from the country have a critical sales opportunity to support their businesses."

Adds **Marc Wilken**, Director of Business & Event Development for Philadelphia Parks & Recreation: "We are excited to continue our close partnership with The Food Trust at Clark Park, working together in creating an animated public gathering space to support healthy food access and communities."

During open market hours of 10 a.m.-2 p.m., shoppers can stock up on Thanksgiving fare; contribute fresh food donations to our **Eat Healthy, Give Healthy** fresh produce drive co-hosted by the **Coalition Against Hunger**; and watch cooking demonstrations given by The Food Trust's nutrition educators.

About The Food Trust

The Food Trust, a nonprofit founded in 1992, strives to make healthy food available to all. Working with neighborhoods, schools, grocers, farmers and policymakers, The Food Trust has developed a comprehensive approach that combines nutrition education and greater availability of affordable, healthy food. To learn more about The Food Trust, visit thefoodtrust.org.