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Renton Farmers Market opens on June 6

Market features fresh local produce and fruits, as well as entertainment, and demonstrations

RENTON, WA – The Renton Farmers Market, featuring the freshest produce and fruits from local farmers and unique goods, will open on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. The market runs every Tuesday, except July 4, until September 26 from 3 to 7 p.m. at The Piazza, 233 Burnett Ave. S., in downtown.

Mayor Denis Law will ring the market's opening bell at 3 p.m. and attendees will then shop among farm fresh produce, fruits, and flowers as well as baked goods, and arts and crafts. The Hazen High School Jazz Band will perform and Washington State University's Food \$ense program will be on hand to present smart shopping strategies and demonstrate healthy and budget-minded recipes.

The SNAP/Fresh Bucks incentive program will be honored. This program matches SNAP/EBT benefits dollar-for-dollar to a maximum of \$10, increasing access to market products.

The market will also feature:

- Kid's Patch, featuring free and fun activities
- Kid's Passport, designed to get kids engaged with the market while learning healthy eating habits
- Washington State University's Master Gardeners
- Weekly live entertainment and cooking demonstrations
- Food trucks at Market West on the west side of The Piazza
- Kids Day on June 27
- Green Day on July 11
- Total Health Day on August 1, sponsored by Kaiser Permanente
- Multicultural Day on September 5

A complete schedule of events and weekly market newsletter can be found at <u>rentonfarmersmarket.com</u>. The market can also be followed on Facebook (<u>RentonFarmersMarket</u>), Twitter (<u>@RentonFarmersM</u>), and Instagram (<u>@rentonfarmersmarket</u>).

The City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 101,300 (2016), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted the attention of nationally recognized companies that are providing employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information can be found on our website (rentonwa.gov), Facebook page (CityofRenton) and Twitter (@CityofRenton).

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