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APPLICATION NUMBER: _____

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
SENIOR FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM**

2021 Application Form

To qualify you must be 60 or older (or turn 60 by 12/31/2021) and meet the household income guidelines.

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

I certify that the information I have provided below for my eligibility determination is correct, to the best of my knowledge. This certification form is being submitted in connection with the receipt of Federal assistance. Program officials may verify information on this form. I understand that intentionally making a false or misleading statement or intentionally misrepresenting, concealing, or withholding facts may result in paying the State agency, in cash, the value of the food benefits improperly issued to me and may subject me to civil or criminal prosecution under State and Federal law.

Standards for eligibility and participation in the SFMNP are the same for everyone, regardless of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

I understand that I may appeal any decision made by the local agency regarding my eligibility for the SFMNP.

By signing this, I acknowledge that my total household income is within the Income guidelines: \$23,828 for 1 person in the household; or \$32,227 for 2 people in the household and that I am 60 years old or older (or will turn 60 by December 31, 2021).

1st Participant Name (print): _____ **Birth Date:** _____
(Person checks are for)

SIGNATURE: _____

2nd Participant Name(print): _____ **Birth Date:** _____
(Person checks are for)

SIGNATURE: _____

Address (print): _____

Phone Number: _____ **County of Residence:** _____

Please check the most appropriate identifier for each:

Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

Race: American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander White

Please mail or email or fax your completed form before **September 15, 2021** to:

Diakon Community Services – 118 S. Centre St., Pottsville, PA

Email: CSS@diakon.org

Fax: 570-624-3011

Questions call: 570-624-3063

If more responses are received than funding allows you will be notified by mail.

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This year, you will have several ways to receive your vouchers.

1. By Mail:

All completed applications must be returned to Diakon Community Services before Sept. 15. Diakon staff will review and process the applications and mail vouchers to people who qualify.

- Mail completed application to: Diakon Community Services, 118 South Centre Street, Pottsville, PA 17901
- Email completed application to: CSS@diakon.org
- Fax completed application to: 570.624.3011

2. In person by appointment:

Call 570.624.3063 to schedule an appointment at a Schuylkill County Senior Community Center.

(Note: You must have an appointment to receive your checks)

Mahanoy City	June 3	2 – 6 p.m.
Pottsville	June 7	2 – 6 p.m.
Schuylkill Haven	June 9	2 – 6 p.m.
Shenandoah	June 10	2 – 6 p.m.
Tremont	June 14	2 – 6 p.m.

3. In person – Outside distribution:

- Kenny Stehr and Sons Farmer's Market, 29 Kettle Road, Pitman, PA– Complete an application, receive your farm vouchers and shop for your fruits and vegetables right at the farm!
Friday, June 11 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. or
Saturday, June 19 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Strawberry Festival)
- Taste and See – Pennsylvania Produce - Join us for an outside fun event at The Island, Broadway Street, Schuylkill Haven - Farm check distribution, purchase PA grown produce, enjoy cooking exhibits and take home new creative fruit and vegetable recipes –
Wednesday, August 11, 2 – 6 p.m.

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- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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