Food Systems Resiliency Spotlight Series Webinar #7

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Food Systems Resiliency Webinar Series

UC ANR Strategic Initiatives joint effort to reimagine our food system

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Food Systems Resiliency Series objectives:

- Tour different parts of the Food System to:
- ☐ Improve knowledge and understanding
- ☐ Identify and share available existing electronic information (resource kits)
- ☐ Identify information gaps



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How UCCE Supports Farmers' Market Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) & Market Match Programs in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties

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Agenda



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Overview of Farmers' Market EBT & Market Match Programs

2019 Efforts in SLO County

Impact

2020 Efforts





Farmers' Market EBT Program

- SNAP: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- CalFresh: California's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- EBT: Electronic Benefits Transfer
- EBT system allows customers to use CalFresh benefits from a government-issued debit card at farmers' markets
- Farmers' markets must be licensed by the USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to accept CalFresh (EBT) benefits
- How it works: POS System and Scrip



Is EBT accepted at a farmers' market in your community?

(Yes/No/Don't Know)





Look for the Market

Match sign at the

market's information

booth

Use your CalFresh EBT card to get tokens Have your benefits doubled with Market Match tokens

Buy more fresh, locally-grown fruits and vegetables



Market Match Program



EBT at Farmers' Markets in San Luis Obispo (SLO) County Workgroup



Workgroup Members: Market Managers, Farmers, County Staff: Public Health & DSS, Public housing, SLO Foodbank, SLO Food System Coalition, UC Cooperative Extension



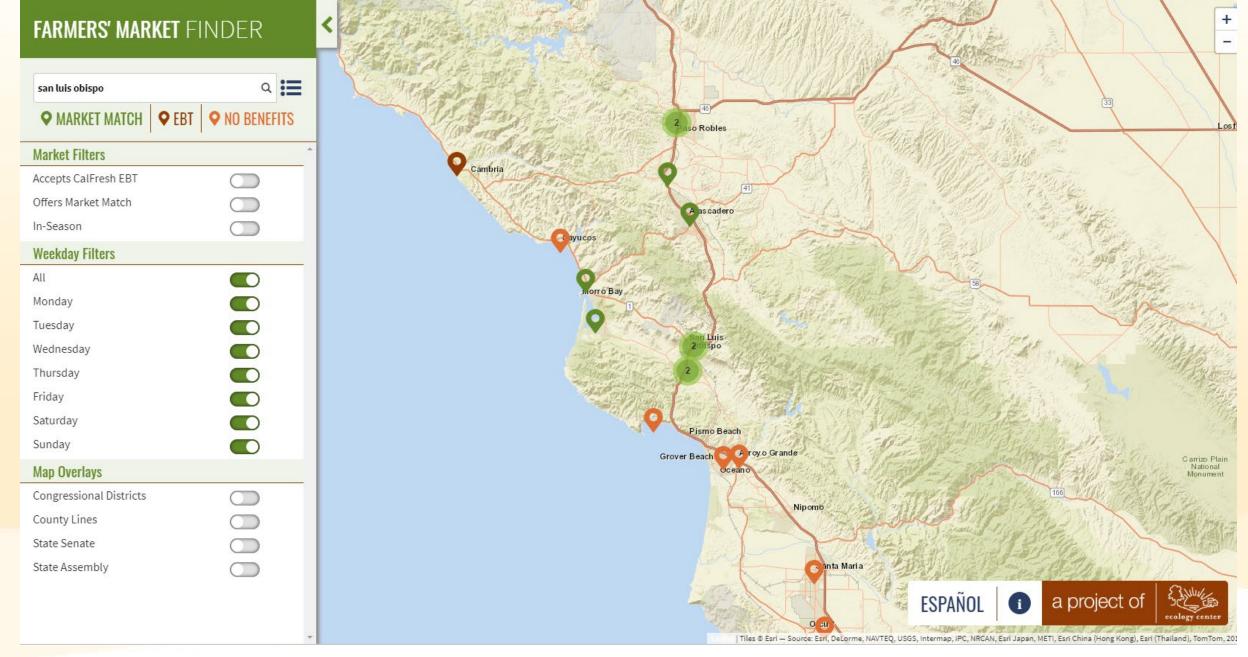
PURPOSE: To increase the usage of CalFresh (EBT) benefits at farmers' markets in SLO County in order to increase...



1) equitable access to healthy foods



2) support for local farmers



2019 Efforts



Data gathering

Planning

Staffing / Funding

Promotion

January 2019

August 2019

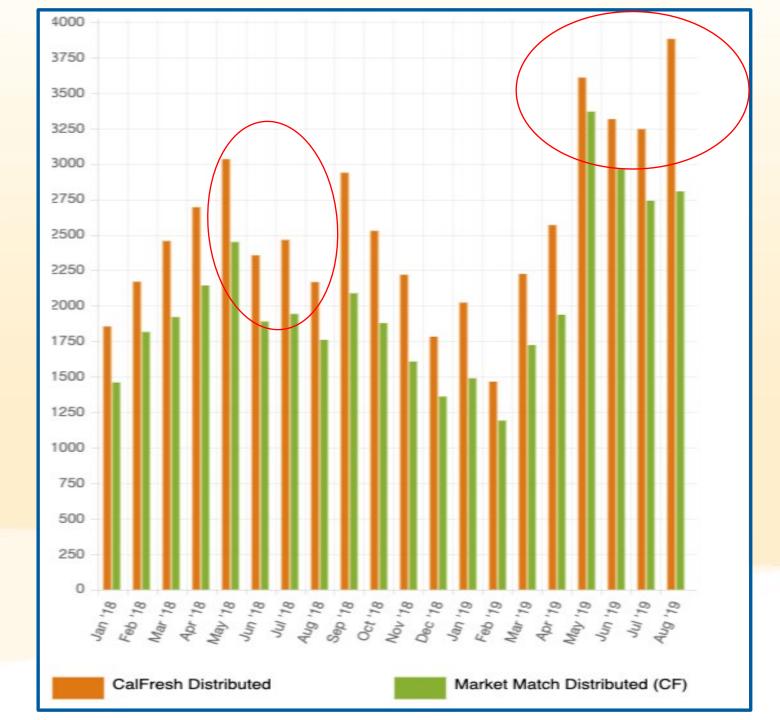




*Images from CalFresh Healthy Living, UCCE SLO & SB Counties

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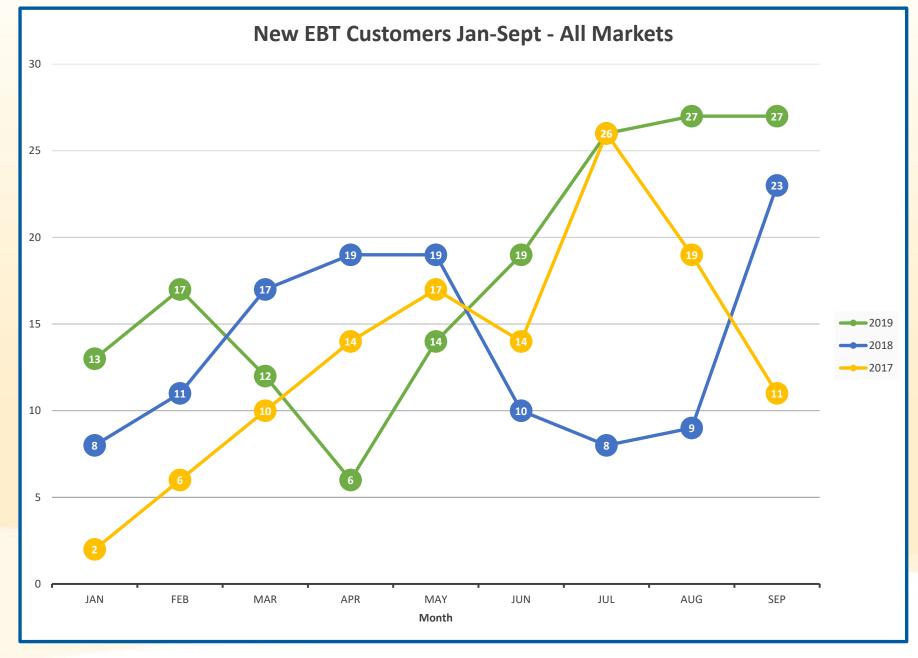
Klisch, S., & Soule, K. (2020, January 10). UCCE promotes CalFresh to increase access to healthy, local food. *UC Delivers (blog)*. https://ucanr.edu/blogs/blogcore/postdetail.cfm?postnum=39159



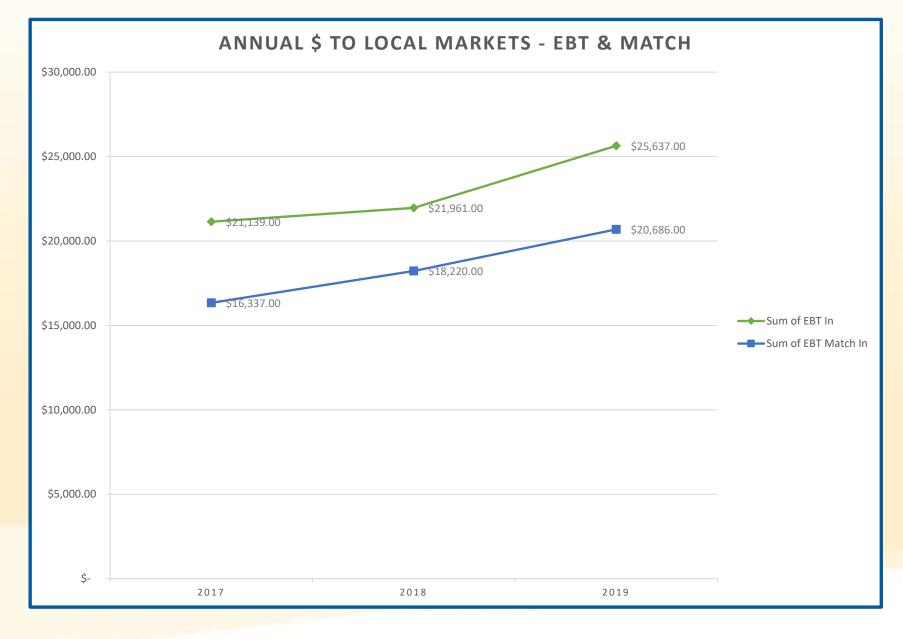
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*Graph from the Ecology Center

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2020 Efforts: How to Support Farmers' Market EBT & Market Match Programs Now







SUPPORT FOR EFFORTS IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY FUNDING SOURCES FOR NEW PROJECTS
& PROGRAM SUSTAINABILITY

COVID-19 RESPONSE: INNOVATIVE OUTREACH EFFORTS & MARKET SUPPORT

Klisch, S., & Soule, K. (2020, April 21). CalFresh Healthy Living, UC supports safe, healthy food access during the COVID-19 pandemic. *UC Delivers (blog)*. http://www.ucanr.org/blogs/blogcore/postdetail.cfm?postnum=41215



Barriers to Accessing Farmers' Market EBT & Market Match Focus Groups

Miguel Diaz, Community Education Specialist





Data Gathering: EBT at FMs/ Market Match Focus Groups



Goal: "To identify barriers and facilitators for low income individuals to access farmers markets."



Target Population



Strategy



Put your answer in the chat:

What would you say are the biggest barriers that keeps low income shoppers from accessing farmers' markets?







Klisch, S., & Soule, K. (2019, July 12). UCCE Support for farmers markets is growing, but barriers to equitable access remain. *UC Delivers (blog)*https://ucanr.edu/blogs/blogcore/postdetail.cfm?postnum=30792

Focus Group Positive Findings

"When I go to the store to buy produce, I tend to purchase cookies, sodas, etc. and I spend more money. When I go to the farmer's market, I leave with my basket full of fruits and vegetables and I spend 20 to 30 dollars at the most, everything is healthy."

Focus Group Participant





Outreach to welcome the Spanish speaking community

- EBT/Market Match staff speaks Spanish, act as a guide
- Signage visible in their language
- Events for families
- Cooking demonstrations using unfamiliar ingredients

Resources to make EBT at farmers markets visible

- What benefits can be used to buy
- Spending limits

EBT at more farmers markets across the county



Modifications to Outreach Material

Explain CalFresh and the Market Match symbol

"Aquí no dice nada que es Market Match. Usar el símbolo y explicar qué es. "

- Visual of steps
- Include image of the EBT Advantage card
- Explain terms like "Double your dollar"
- Clearly list details:
 - FMs that accept Market Match
 - Market Match amount at each market
 - How often benefits can be used
- Encourage questions!



¡Recibía más dinero para comprar frutas y verduras con Market Match! Por ejemplo, si usted gasta \$10 de su tarjeta EBT de CalFresh en los mercados agrícolas entonces Market Match le dará \$10 adicionales en monedas para comprar MÁS frutas v verduras frescas.

¿CÓMO RECIBO MONEDAS PARA COMPRAR MÁS FRUTAS Y VERDURAS?



Busque la mesa de Use su tarjeta de información con el EBT de CalFresh ...

...y reciba monedas

Compre sus frutas y verduras favoritas

logo de Market Match VISITE UNO DE LOS SIGUIENTES MERCADOS AGRÍCOLAS Y USE SU TARJETA

EBT PARA RECIBIR MONEDAS, POR FAMILIA, USE SU TARJETA UNA SOLA VEZ EN CADA MERCADO AGRÍCOLA POR SEMANA.

ATASCADERO

Atascadero Sunken Gardens East Mall Ave Miércoles, 3pm - 6pm Si Ud. gaste \$15, recibirá \$30 en total

TEMPLETON

City Park - 6th St Sábado, 9am - 12:30nm Si Ud. gasta \$15, recibirá \$30 en total

PASO ROBLES

11th St. y Spring St. 11th St. y Spring St. Martes, 9am-11:30am Sábado, 9am - 1pm Si Ud. gasta \$15, Si Ud. gasta \$10. recibirá \$30 en total recibirá \$20 en total

SAN LUIS OBISPO

Higuera St. y Chorro St. Jueves, 6pm - 9pm Si Ud. gasta \$15, recibirá \$30 en total

LOS OSOS/BAYWOOD

Santa María St. con 2nd v 3rd St. Lunes, 2pm - 4:30 pm Si Ud. gasta \$15, recibirá \$30 en total

MORRO BAY

Spencer's Fresh Market, 2650 Main St. Jueves, 2 pm - 4:30 pm Si Ud. gasta \$15, recibirá \$30 en total

¿TIENE PREGUNTAS O NECESITA AYUDA? ¡FAVOR DE PREGUNTARNOS EN LA MESA DE INFORMACIÓN DEL MERCADO AGRÍCOLA!

¿QUÉ PUEDE COMPRAR CON LA TARJETA EBT?

MARKET MATCH TOKEN









SOLAMENTE frutas v verduras









MONEDAS DE EBT

frutas, verduras, cereales, algunos productos de panadería (como pan o tortillas), carne, pollo, pescado, huevos, leche, queso, mermeladas, mieles, semillas y plantas que produzcan alimentos





tamales o pan dulce), jabón, cosas que no pueda comer, alcohol, tabaco, vitaminas o medicamentos













http://cesanluisobispo.ucanr.edu/uccalfreshslosb/For Farmers Markets/



All clients are currently receiving the maximum allowable benefits (due to COVID)

Clients can now submit documents by email and DSS can communicate to clients over email

Our local DSS is working to make changes to increase customer satisfaction and improve our county's participation rates.

Planning to have texting capability in the future

DSS staff can take a "signature" over the phone they do not need to submit a hard copy or e-copy



Farmers Markets & COVID-19

Shannon Klisch, Community Education Supervisor





Have you shopped at a farmers' market during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Yes – I feel safer there, Yes, No – it seems unsafe, No – I don't usually shop at farmers' markets



Farmers Markets & COVID-19



"I will do whatever it takes to keep it open."

Farmers Market Manager

Klisch, S., & Soule, K. (2020). Farmers Markets: Working with Community Partners to Provide Essential Services During COVID-19. *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development*, 9(4), 175–179. https://doi.org/10.5304/jafscd.2020.094.035





Increasing Community Food Access with Route One Farmers Market

Shelby Wild, Founder & Executive Director

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Question:

What do you think is the number one reason why people don't shop at farmers markets more?

Please answer in the chat

Consider Farmers Markets-

How they can align with your outreach efforts and how you can become involved and support





Safe Physical Distancing Outdoors

https://farmersmarketcoalition.org/seen-but-not-heard-farmers-markets-frontline-coronavirus/











https://farmersmarketcoalition.org/programs/power-of-produce-pop/

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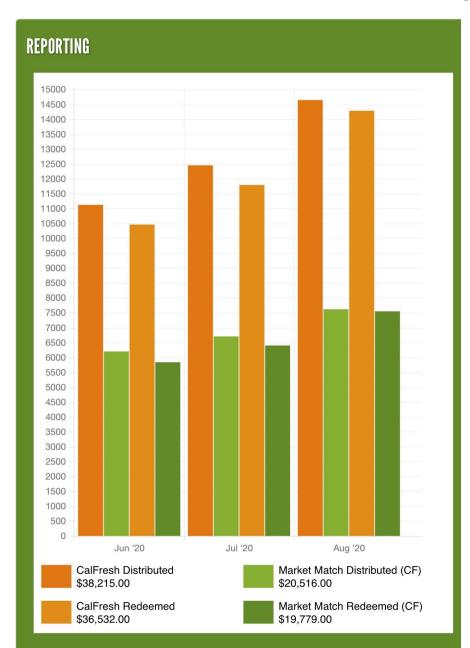
Cultural Awareness Opportunities

Name that Veg!



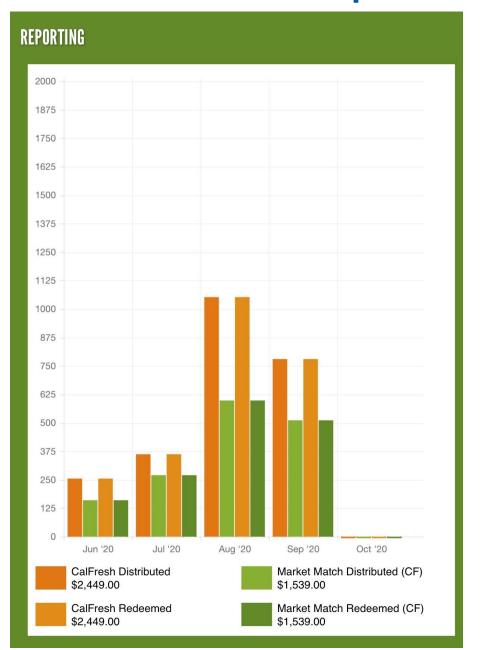


EBT and **MM** in Santa Barbara County



In 2020,
Santa Barbara County
farmers markets
funded
over \$120,000 in
CalFresh/EBT and
Market Match incentives
to purchase locally
grown fruits and
vegetables.

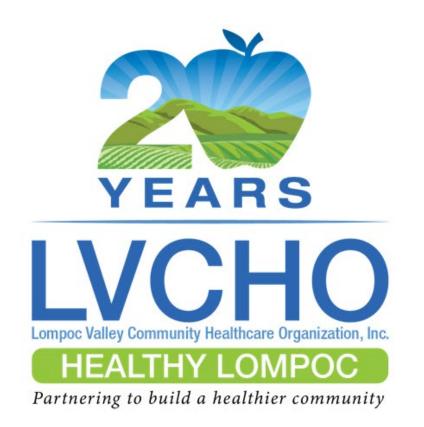
EBT and MM Lompoc





Farmers and ranchers receive only 15 cents of every food dollar that consumers spend at traditional food outlets. At a farmers market, 100% of your food dollar goes to your local farmer.









Partners have made the difference!







Mobile Market-Taking the market to those who need it most



Did the information provided improve your knowledge and understanding of the value of local partnerships to improve access to local, fresh produce for lowincome partners?

Yes definitely, somewhat, not much, does not apply



Were the electronic resources new to you?

Yes definitely, somewhat, not much, does not apply



Will you use information from today's webinar with your clientele?

Yes definitely, somewhat, not much, does not apply



Please raise your participant hand -



What do you think should be different in our food system to improve availability and accessibility of food to all...



Food Systems Resiliency Webinar Series #8

10 to 11 am

Resilience in Diversity: Adaptation Strategies in Local and Regional Food Systems

Registration at: https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=31798

Food chain disruptions have highlighted the critical role of diversified supply chains in a resilient food system. Local and regional producers, supply chain actors, and community organizations across the country responded rapidly to changing conditions and emerging needs, and continue to adapt with great creativity and commitment to serving their communities.

Participants will learn about UC SAREP's collaboration with Michigan State University's Center for Regional Food Systems to help identify and share successful adaptation strategies emerging within local and regional food systems. Community Alliance with Family Farms (CAFF) and Mandela Partners will share response strategies, with a special focus on small farmers and farmers of color. Panelists will share unmet needs, gaps and barriers to accessing support, and discuss ways extension professionals can help strengthen local and regional supply chains during this crisis

A conversation with: Shosha Capps and Gail Feenstra, UC Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program, Collaborator Mandela Partners and Ben Thomas, Farm to Market Program Director, Community Alliance with Family Farms