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Grand Opening of Hyde Park Farmers Market: A Celebration of Community, Culture, and Fresh Local Produce

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The South East Chicago Commission (SECC) and Special Service Area #61, aka Downtown Hyde Park Chicago, proudly present the Hyde Park Farmers Market, in partnership with the Hyde Park Bank, A Wintrust Bank. This vibrant and inclusive market will officially open its doors on Sunday June 4, 2023 at 9:00am, inviting residents and visitors alike to experience a delightful blend of fresh and nutritious foods, wellness products, and baked goods.

The highlight of the grand opening festivities will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 10:00am, led by the esteemed Hyde Park Chamber of Commerce. This ceremonial moment marks the official launch of the market and symbolizes the strong support and collaboration between local businesses and community organizations.

To enhance the experience for attendees of all ages, the grand opening will feature engaging activities for children hosted by ProteinWhey, ensuring a fun and memorable outing for families. Additionally, the market is thrilled to announce a special performance by the talented Uniting Voices of Chicago performing a captivating blend of Pop, World Music, and Gospel, the ensemble promises to entertain and inspire all who attend!

The Hyde Park Farmers Market is dedicated to providing a safe and inclusive environment for all visitors and access to fresh and nutritious food offerings. In keeping this mission, The Hyde Park Farmers Market joins the Link Up Illinois statewide network to provide incentives to SNAP shoppers. A program of Experimental Station, Link Up Illinois' mission is to increase the affordability and accessibility of fresh foods by matching the value of Link or SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) purchases up to \$25.00 per transaction across Illinois while making healthy food more affordable for SNAP recipients.

"We are thrilled to open the doors of Hyde Park Farmers Market and welcome the community to this exciting event," said Ticina Williams CFMM-IL, Market Manager. "Our mission is to foster a vibrant and sustainable local economy while celebrating the rich cultural diversity of Hyde Park. We invite everyone to join us for a day of community, wellness, and wholesome, locally sourced products."

For more information about the Hyde Park Farmers Market and its grand opening, please visit https://www.secc-chicago.org/2023-farmers-market-season-begins-in-hyde-park/

About Hyde Park Farmers Market

The Hyde Park Farmers Market is a community-oriented market hosted by the South East Chicago Commission (SECC) and SSA #61, aka Downtown Hyde Park Chicago, dedicated to providing access to fresh, local produce and supporting local businesses. Located at 5400 S. Lake Park West in Hyde Park, Chicago, the market aims to create a vibrant and sustainable local economy while promoting wellness, arts, and cultural diversity. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates and news.

About the South East Chicago Commission

The South East Chicago Commission is a nonprofit organization that works to facilitate and support economic development within the Southeast lakefront communities of Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, Washington Park, and Woodlawn and to foster collaboration and coordination among businesses, organizations, and institutions to promote the creation of jobs, investment, and economic vitality.