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Local Food Growers and Producers Sought

Mansfield, OH – Now, more than ever, buying locally grown and produced food is vital to our community! With the events of 2020 impacting some food availability, a list is being assembled of where consumers may purchase food grown and produced in Richland county. The goal is to connect local food producers to consumers. Consumers may develop a better understanding of where their food comes from, how it is produced and get to know the people who have a passion for offering fresh food.

Partnering locally is good business

"Connecting local food producers with local businesses is a great thing for all," said Erica Thomas, Director, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District. "It keeps the money local while getting fresh, locally grown produce into more local businesses like restaurants, hospitals, nursing homes, schools, etc. It makes sense to support the growers in our community and sustain them through these difficult times."

How can you help?

Local food growers and producers are invited to complete a brief form to be added to the list. The form may be found by clicking on the link at https://forms.gle/pGCJt6ePypFYUiXb7. To see who is currently on the list, please visit https://forms.gle/pGCJt6ePypFYUiXb7. To see who is currently on the list, please visit https://bit.ly/3b23tcC. The list will continue to be updated as new options are added.

This effort is supported by:

- Destination Mansfield-Richland County
- North End Community Improvement Collaborative
- OSU Extension Richland County
- Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development
- Richland County Farm Bureau
- Richland Soil and Water Conservation District

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