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## Farmers market in Beloit returning to form in 2021 with more vendors

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Shown above is the Beloit Farmers Market from State Street in downtown Beloit in June 2020. This year when vendors will participate as pandemic conditions improve locally.

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BELOIT — The Beloit Farmers' Market is right around the corner and the Downtown Beloit Association (DBA) is ready to rebound from the pandemic by bringing back vendors and offering more goods than last year.

Shauna El-Amin, executive director of the DBA, said the vendor base would spring back to a total of 71 merchants selling items at the market when it kicks off on May 1. In 2020, a total of 27 and later 47 vendors were approved for the scaled-down openair market.

The Farmers Market is held each Saturday in downtown Beloit from May through October.

"We have so many vendors that have been part of the market family for many years and we are so excited to bring them back this year," El-Amin said. "We are happy to offer more products and goods to our community members and no longer have to restrict vendors."

Goods offered also will grow, from certain essential items to also offering plants, services and crafts from specialty vendors.

A mask requirement will remain in place and a total of 400 people will be allowed in at a time for the market, unless COVID-19 safety guidelines change from the Beloit City Council.

Food trucks also will be back this year, with visitors able to purchase to-go meals that must be taken away from the main market area.

Live music will come back on the second and fourth Saturdays of every month.

In hindsight, El-Amin said the DBA adapted well to help businesses and maintain some events during 2020.

"Staff and our board and volunteers have taken the opportunities we had to shift and adapt their focus and make sure we are constantly aware of what we can offer the businesses," El-Amin said. "Every day played out differently and we changed as we needed to help our businesses succeed. We're so appreciative for all our volunteers on a normal year, so to see them step up the way they did is just incredible and it speaks to the community we've built in Beloit."

## Confirmed 2021 Beloit Farmers' Market Vendors

- Autentica
- Beloit Pottery
- Blia Yang Produce
- Blue Dogs
- Books and Art by Kimberly Vogel
- Brad & Cindi's Produce
- Bushel & Pecks
- Carousel Acres
- Casting Whimsy Tea
- CC Angus Beef, LLC
- Clark Family Gardens
- CoCo's Tamales
- Crust & Crumbles
- David Konowal Shaker Woodworker
- Dilly Creations
- Double D's B's and Crone Apothecary
- Golden Bear Monarchs Elk Farm
- Hank & Kathy Baumann
- Hutchins Family Farm
- Johnson Family Produce
- Kopps Krops
- Lilies N Pots
- Lo Farm
- Mai & Tony's Garden
- Magic Mushroom Kombucha Co.
- Marie's Bees
- Mayhew Mosaics
- MCB-Decatur Dairy
- Meyer's Farm Market
- Mike's Blacksmith Creations

- Misty Meadows Dairy
- Mojo's Majik
- Montero's
- Natalie's Garden & Greenhouse
- Nina & Family Garden
- Northwoods Premium Confections
- Ocala Country Ventures
- O'Dool's Dairy Goats, LLC
- O'Leary Gunn Farms
- Pai Lee & Vang Thao
- Paracres Farms
- · Pasta Rustica
- Pheasant Hill Farm
- Poor Richards Farm
- Roadside Saw Works LLC
- Roberts Produce LLC
- Rock County Rocks & Gems
- Rucci's Cinnamon Roasted Nuts
- Saint Roger Abbey
- Sashay Acres Meats and Greenhouse
- Sassy Sophisticakes Alternative Sweet & Treats
- Shady Tree Farm Market
- South Padre Seafood
- Spark Spices, llc
- Steele's Greenhouse & Produce LLC
- Sweet Lily's
- The Bird's & The Bee's
- The Cheese People
- The Krafty Korner
- The Salsa Man's Salsa
- The Wright Way Farm
- Toni's Sweet Creations
- Up A Creek Dairy Goats
- Urbanology Oil Products
- Van Laar's Fruit Farm
- Vang Farm
- Wildhaven Soap Company
- Willow Creek Acres
- Xiong Family
- Yengthao Garden
- Zoey's Furry Friends Bakery

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