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NEWS RELEASE

RSVP offers Farmers Market Coupons for Carson City Seniors

RSVP has a limited supply of free Farmers Market coupons available for Carson City low-income seniors. “The Senior Nutrition Farmers Market Program is a cooperative effort provided by RSVP, the USDA, the Nevada Department of Agriculture, and the State of Nevada Division for Aging and Disability Services.” said Susan Haas, Executive Director & C.E.O. “RSVP distributes these coupons each year to ensure that low income seniors, who may not be able to afford fresh produce, have the opportunity to enjoy the bounty of the farmers markets.”

Beginning August 13th, on every Thursday and Friday thereafter during the month of August, Farmers Market Coupons will be distributed at the RSVP office in Carson City from 9am to 11am, or until coupons are gone. The RSVP office is located at 2621 Northgate Lane, Suite 6. A table will be set up just outside the main door office entrance for safety and convenience.

All volunteers and staff will be wearing masks. Recipients will need to wear a mask when signing for and receiving their coupon books. If there is a line, you must maintain social distancing guidelines of six feet between each person. If you do not have a mask, one will be provided by RSVP.

You will need to present a Nevada ID or a Nevada Driver’s License showing a Carson City residence in order to receive coupons and must sign the self-certification form stating that you qualify to receive the coupons when you pick up your booklet. The driver’s license will not be physically handled. For your safety, the clipboard and pen will be sanitized following each use. Non-senior friends or family members may pick up the coupon booklet for a homebound senior but will need to have the senior’s identification and a note authorizing them to receive the coupons.

Each senior can receive only 1 coupon booklet per season per household and must meet income and residence guidelines. Each coupon book contains 18 - \$2.00 coupons for a total of \$36.00 which can be used at the Carson City Farmers Market. Once the booklets are claimed, they cannot be replaced if lost or damaged. In order to qualify for coupons, you must be a Nevada resident, 60 years of age or older, and must have an income that does not exceed \$23,107 annually (\$1,926/month) for a household of 1 or \$31,284 annually (\$2,607/month) for a household of 2. We are able to give one set of coupons per household.

For more information about this program, or to find out about RSVP services for seniors, please contact RSVP at (775) 687-4680 ext. 6, or visit <https://nevadaruralrspv.org/senior-nutrition/>.