



Community Aid Application

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Thanks for your interest in the Farm Direct Coop. We feel that local and organic food should be available to everyone regardless of their financial situation. To apply for Community Aid, please answer the questions below and **submit by May 1st**. Completed applications can be mailed or emailed to the contact information posted above. All information is kept confidential. We rely on your honesty, as we do not collect financial statements.

Since the Community Aid Fund is populated by member donations pledged during the enrollment process, we will not be able to distribute funds until enrollment is complete. **You will receive an award letter via email indicating the amount of your award by June 1st.**

If the aid package offered doesn't meet your needs, you may opt to decrease your share sizes or share types. If you need to drop out before the start, your deposit will be refunded in full. Any account balance the remains after Com Aid is applied is the responsibility of the member to pay according to the payment plan preference selected below. The FDC also accepts [SNAP](#) and participates in the [HIP](#) reimbursement program.

In order to be considered for aid, you must be enrolled. To sign up, please visit our website at farmdirectcoop.org.

Name: _____

1. What is the total cost of your shares \$ _____

2. How much are you able to pay toward the total cost of your shares? You will receive weekly produce for 21 weeks June – October. Please designate a specific dollar amount. We cannot process your request without this information. **Amount you can pay:** \$ _____

3. How many people are in your household? _____

4. What is your payment plan preference? The regular billing cycle includes three installments: a \$100 down payment due before the start of the season, half the account balance by June 15th, and the full account balance by August 1st. You can also pay monthly. Please circle the plan the works best for your household: **A)** 3 Installments **B)** Monthly Payments.

5. Are you able to volunteer in exchange for your membership fee? Yes or No. The \$55 membership fee is waived for aid recipients. It is appreciated if aid recipients volunteer a total of 6 hours in exchange for this waiver. A 'No' answer here will not impact your eligibility.

6. Do you receive SNAP benefits? Yes or No

7. In considering your need for Community Aid, what do you feel we need to know about your current financial situation?