



Coming **together** to disrupt hunger

## FREE FARMERS MARKET VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

| TIME SLOT        | TASK  | TASK DETAIL   | TASK NOTES  |
|------------------|---|---|---|
| 10:30am – Noon   | <b>Market Setup</b>   | Pull and setup PopUp Tents, Pallets, Unload and Setup Tables, Begin repacking Bread donations from Costco and Panera  | Some heavy lifting and carrying. Bread bagging is a great activity for kids and will start at roughly 11:00am. Bread is donated in bulk bags and is repacked individually for the market.   |
| 11:30am – 2:00pm | <b>Produce Truck Arrives/Produce Setup/County Agency Distribution</b> | Administer pallets, unstack cases of produce and sort cases into two different loads (Agencies and Market loads), move Market produce pallets to tables, load cases for Agency pickups, begin setting up and sorting produce at tables. County Agency vehicles arrive beginning at 12:30pm for loading. | Some heavy lifting and carrying or pushing. This is the day's busiest time with A LOT of activity going on. Produce sorting at the tables is great for kids. Bread will also still be being repacked. The produce truck arrives 11:30am, pallet sorting begins immediately, and table sorting begins by roughly 12:00p  |
| 2:00pm – 5:00pm  | <b>Farmers Market Opens</b>   | Table Staff, Box Breakdowns   | Staff your assigned table and help attendees with selecting their items, making sure any item limits are communicated, and restock the tables with produce from the pallets underneath. We also hand out bags for those that didn't bring any, and we help attendees get their food back to their cars when needed. As boxes are emptied, they are removed and broken down behind the market tables and stacked for end of day cleanup. If you enjoy interacting with people, this is a great time slot. We encourage sharing ideas for using produce in cooking for attendees who may not have cooked with a particular item before. |
| 4:00pm – 6:00pm  | <b>Strike/Teardown</b>  | Breakdown all aspects of the Farmers Market and put away  | This is the important Market Strike team. Tents, tables, pallets, trash, boxes etc. are all put away at the community garden. It is always helpful to have a fresh set of bodies arrive for breakdown since many volunteers have been participating since earlier in the day. If food is depleted before 5:00pm, strike can begin as early as 4:00pm.   |

Email us at [volunteer@freefarmersmarket.org](mailto:volunteer@freefarmersmarket.org) to reserve your spot!

*@SocialFeed and the Free Farmers Market are community action projects of the "Garden of Dreams" community service initiative, founded by the Simi Valley Community Garden, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit public benefit organization serving the citizens of Simi Valley and its surrounding communities. More information about the Garden of Dreams initiative can be found at <http://www.simiatthegarden.org>. More information about the @SocialFeed project and the Free Farmers Market can be found at <http://www.SocialFeedSV.org>.*

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