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## Support Farmers and Producers During Buy Local Week, July 19-28

**PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – July 12, 2024** – Step up to the plate and enjoy Maryland-grown and -produced farm products every day during Buy Local Week, July 19-28, 2024.

In conjunction with the state of Maryland and the Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission, Calvert County is celebrating the bounty of local agricultural products and encourages residents to take the “Buy Local Challenge” by pledging to buy at least one locally grown or produced item every day during the week.

“We are excited to showcase the incredible array of products our local farmers, watermen and artisans bring to our community,” said Economic Development Director Julie Oberg. “Supporting local agriculture not only boosts our economy but also fosters a stronger connection between consumers and the people who grow and produce their food. By choosing to buy local, we can all contribute to preserving our region's unique heritage.”

There are many ways to participate in the annual statewide challenge. The Department of Economic Development suggests adding one or two local items a day to your meals – fresh eggs and bacon with breakfast, a snack of local fruit or veggies, a glass of local wine or some Chesapeake Bay blue crabs caught by a local waterman. Brighten your table with handmade candles crafted with locally harvested beeswax, serving boards and spoons made from Maryland-grown woods or a bouquet of locally grown flowers.

Residents are encouraged to visit [www.CalvertAg.com](http://www.CalvertAg.com) to discover the many local products, farmers markets and roadside stands available in Calvert County. Residents are also encouraged to stop by one of the following farmers markets throughout the county:

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- **Tuesdays** in Prince Frederick at CalvertHealth Medical Center back parking lot (130 Hospital Road) 2:30-6:30 p.m., April 30 to Nov. 26, 2024  
*Farmers Market Association market*
- **Thursdays** in Dunkirk at the entrance of Dunkirk District Park (10750 Southern Maryland Blvd.) 3:30-6:30 p.m., May 9 to Sept. 5, 2024  
*Farmers Market Association market*
- **Saturdays** in Lusby at the Sneade's Ace Home Center parking lot (11861 HG Trueman Road) 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., May 11 to Sept. 21, 2024  
*Farmers Market Association market*
- **Saturdays** in North Beach at the North Beach Senior Center parking lot (9010 Chesapeake Ave.) 8-11:30 a.m., April 13 to Oct. 26, 2024  
*Town of North Beach municipal market*

Citizens can also celebrate Buy Local Week by participating in a Buy Local Challenge contest for a chance to win prizes. To learn more about Maryland's Buy Local Challenge and to get recipes, visit [www.BuyLocalChallenge.com](http://www.BuyLocalChallenge.com).

For more information about the Calvert County Department of Economic Development, Calvert County sites and attractions and the services available to assist county businesses, call 410-535-4583, send an email to [info@choosecalvert.com](mailto:info@choosecalvert.com) or visit [www.ChooseCalvert.com](http://www.ChooseCalvert.com).

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