

Centre County CSA Guide



So, *what is a CSA, anyway?* Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a way for eaters to support their local farms by committing to a share in the Spring, when the farmer needs to invest in lots of inputs (seeds, compost, row covers, repairs, new equipment, etc) and to plan their crops to meet the demand. In return, the shareholder gets a regular delivery of what's in season. Share sizes, contents, and costs vary, as well as the length of season and seasons offered, so select a CSA that will meet your needs. Here's a list of CSAs that deliver to the State College area.

BFBL Partner CSAs



Greenmoore Gardens

Port Matilda, PA

814-237-0082

info@greenmooregardens.com

greenmooregardens.com

Greenmoore Gardens is a locally owned CSA located just outside of State College, PA. They grow vegetables using sustainable methods, which means they do not use any form of synthetic fertilizer, herbicide or insecticide. They offer several share sizes and either a variety share - which is market style if picked up on-farm - or a custom share. A special student share is also available. Greenmoore is in the process of becoming certified organic.



Healthy Harvest Farm

Bellefonte, PA

814-355-2842

HHfarmCSA@hotmail.com

healthyharvestfarmcsa.com

Healthy Harvest Farm is owned and operated by Dave Sandy and Sara Eckert. Their produce is grown using sustainable practices without the use of synthetic fertilizers or pesticides. Shares are not pre-boxed, instead vegetables are distributed through a market style setup that allows members to pick and choose their items from a wide variety of seasonal produce. Pickup locations are in Bellefonte and State College with both summer and winter shares available.



Jade Family Farm

Port Royal, PA

717-527-4719

jadefamilyfarm@gmail.com

jadefamilyfarm.com

Jade Family Farm is a certified organic vegetable farm nestled at the foot of the Tuscarora Mountain near Port Royal. The harvest share (CSA) features about 50 different vegetables, all picked ripe and delivered fresh. The season runs from the end of May to the end of October (22 weeks). Delivery is Tuesday afternoon to five locations in the State College area. The three share options are: family share, designed for a medium sized family of good eaters; regular share, which is about 60-65% of the produce in a family share; and an "a la carte" share. The a la carte option features week to week online ordering with no automatic delivery and no unasked for items.



Tait Farm Community Harvest

Centre Hall, PA

814-466-2386

info@taitfarmfoods.com

taitfarmfoods.com/community-harvest

Tait Farm Foods is a producer of fine food products, grower of organic fruits and vegetables, and purveyor of food, plants and items of seasonal simplicity and elegance for the garden, kitchen and home. Community Harvest shares include vegetables from asparagus to zucchini (and strawberries in between)! The farm is located 7 miles east of State College, PA on Rt. 322 (near Penn State University). The farm has been in the Tait family since 1950. Individual and family shares are available. Pickup is on-farm, which allows for more choice. Work Sharing is possible and Tait Farm can accept EBT as part of the payment plan.

Other Area CSAs

Village Acres Farm & FoodShed, LLC

Mifflintown, PA

717-436-9477 ~ csa@villageacresfarm.com

villageacresfarm.com

Village Acres offers a year-round CSA with two seasons (May-November & December-May). They offer multiple share options for Organic produce, pasture-raised chicken, and eggs. "Extras" like berries, honey, olive oil, soaps, citrus, mushrooms, canning quantities, and turkeys can be ordered as well. The farm has several greenhouses and lots of storage space to provide food throughout the whole year. Pick up is available on-farm and they deliver to State College, Lewistown, Selinsgrove/Lewisburg, and Harrisburg. *Village Acres is a BFBL Partner in the South Central chapter.*

GroundWork Farms CSA & Buying Club

Millheim, PA

814-349-8915 ~ nell@groundworkfarms.com

groundworkfarms.com

This multi-farm CSA includes products from at least 10 farmers from Penns and Brush Valleys. GroundWork Farms offers CSA shares of produce, dairy, eggs, herbs, flowers, and bread, delivered each week to your home or work. Meats and berries are also available, as well as organic fair-trade coffee, soaps, and canned goods. Customers can choose from a variety of shares and build their custom order. For full details, visit the website. Summer and winter shares available.

Cramer Farm

Howard, PA

814-883-1564 ~ cramer@cramerfarm.com

cramerfarm.com

Certified Naturally Grown Cramer Farm offers a 20-week vegetable CSA (May through September) with an optional five-week extension depending on weather. Cramer Farm delivers to your home or work each Friday. You'll get recipes each week that feature what's in the share. Optional add-ons include eggs, baked goods, and canning/storing quantities of vegetables that can be purchased on each week so there's no upfront commitment.

Mountain Meadow Shepherds

Bellefonte, PA

814-355-7850

mountainmeadowsshepherds.com

Eden View Organics

Tyrone, PA

814-632-8589 ~ edenvieworganics@windstream.net

edenvieworganics.com

Tucked in the Tussey Mountains, Eden View offers a selection of produce, pastured meats, 'plow to platter' prepared foods and dressings, as well as specialty sprouted breads and baked goods. From their gardens and neighboring gardens, they are committed to fresh, local and nutritious foods - no chemical additives or preservatives. Their CSA "Harvest Share" program is offered either by email pre-order at one of our pickup locations (State College, Tyrone, Altoona or at the farm), or ala carte at their market table in Boalsburg. There is no upfront cost and no weekly commitment is required. To join, sign up for their Harvest Share weekly email on their website.

Plowshare Produce

Huntingdon, PA

814-667-2756 ~ plowshareproduce@yahoo.com

plowshareproduce.com

Plowshare Produce is Bethany and Micah Spicher Schonberg, their team of draft horses and six beautiful acres in Stone Valley. They are committed to being good neighbors in their community and careful stewards of the land. Their healthy, tasty, certified organic vegetables are available as full or half shares in State College, Huntingdon and McAlevy's Fort. The "Plowsharing Fund" helps provide access to shares for low-income families.

Dn'D Farms

Martinsburg, PA

814-793-2152 ~ contact@dndfarms.com

dndfarms.com

Dn'D Farms provides a meat & egg CSA with pick up available at the Tuesday State College Farmers Market. Shares can include beef, pork, chicken, goat, lamb, veal, and eggs as well as maple syrup and goats milk soaps & lotions. Full and half shares are available.

Mountain Meadow Shepherds supply a wide range of seasonal vegetables along with fresh & dried herbs, teas, jams, and preserves. They also have a meat and free range eggs CSA.

(taking 2013 off) Wild Blumen Farm

Warriors Mark, PA

814-692-4775 ~ jhschaufler@windstream.net

Wild Blumen Farm is a diversified vegetable and livestock farm. They produce pasture raised poultry and eggs year round, and fleece is available to hand spinners. Wild Blumen Farm offers a CSA opportunity for consumers in the State College Area. The CSA provides vegetables from mid-May until mid-October. Shares include greens in the early spring and progress to include a wide variety of vegetables throughout the summer. They offer opportunities for members to participate in the labor and receive a reduction in share cost. Full shares and half shares are available.