

RFM Volunteers

If you have an interest in food, sustainability, community development, or farmers markets and would like to get involved, we'd love to have your help! We value our volunteers and have many ways that you can get involved and give back to the Market. Wherever your skills, talents and interests lie, the Ruston Farmers Market would love to have you join our family.

Volunteer Qualifications:

- ❖ 18 or older (Youth 12-17 may volunteer with a parent/guardian).
- ❖ Reliable, responsible, and punctual.
- ❖ Excellent verbal, customer service, and communication skills.
- ❖ Comfortable working with a wide variety of people (if Information Booth Volunteers).
- ❖ Comfortable working with a children (if Education, Learning garden, or Children's Activity Volunteers).
- ❖ Enjoy working outdoors.
- ❖ Enthusiasm for Farmers Markets, small farmers and locally grown produce, marketing, education and environmental sustainability!

Some Volunteer opportunities include:

- ❖ Kids activities (Typically Saturdays 9-1)
- ❖ Organize for special events (Hours and days could vary)
- ❖ Help decorate. (Hours and days could vary)
- ❖ Help paint, do building maintenance/repairs & updates. (Usually during the week)
- ❖ Clean up. (Hours and days could vary)
- ❖ Help in the gardens (Learning Garden is to help teach people to grow their own food) or (Pollinator garden is for beautification, education, and to benefit our pollinators). (Learning garden events take place on Saturday's during market hours- Pollinator garden can be worked on during the week)
- ❖ Outreach. Informing people about market activities and programs such as SNAP (Hours and days could vary)
- ❖ With photography/videography. (Usually during market days, but some hours and days could vary)
- ❖ Count visitors. During Market days and hours)
- ❖ Office work (organizing metrics/data) (Hours and days could vary)
- ❖ Greeters (move throughout the market answering questions and directing customers give breaks to market vendors) (During Market days and hours)
- ❖ Set up tables, chairs, stages for events (Hours and days could vary)



Ruston Farmers Market
Volunteer Sign Up

We are glad you are interested in volunteering with the Ruston Market! Volunteers are a vital part of the market and it's a fun way to participate in the local food community.

Please take a minute and share your contact information help us understand how you'd like to get involved.

Name _____

E-mail _____ Phone: _____

How would you like to volunteer at the market? Check all that apply

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kids activities Saturdays 9-1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Community outreach (SNAP/Education) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Organize for special events | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography/Videography (YouTube Channel) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorating | <input type="checkbox"/> Count visitors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paint, building maintenance/repairs | <input type="checkbox"/> Office work (organizing metrics/data, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clean up after markets & events | <input type="checkbox"/> I'd like to help by being a greeter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Help in the gardens (Learning/Pollinator) | |

Please check any of the following skills that you may have that you could use as a Ruston Farmers Market Volunteer: Check all that apply

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Building Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Speaking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetable Gardening | <input type="checkbox"/> Spreadsheets/Excel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Photography/Videography | <input type="checkbox"/> Writing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching | <input type="checkbox"/> Art (drawing, chalk, dry erase, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Event planning |

We know that each volunteer has a unique schedule and so we'd like to tailor volunteer commitments to those unique schedules. Help us define your availability:

I am available on Saturdays during the market

I am available one Saturday per month

I am available during the week (M-F 9-4)

I would like to be on-call for special project

Other _____

Please share any comments or suggestions here:

Would you like to be added to the volunteer e-mail list for special projects throughout the year?

Yes No



Ruston Farmers Market Volunteer Hold Harmless Agreement

I, _____, am volunteering at the Ruston Farmers Market. I hereby release, indemnify, and hold harmless, The Ruston Farmers Market, North Louisiana Farm Fresh, The City of Ruston, their directors and officers, employees, successors, assigns, legal representatives, organizers, sponsors, and supervisors of its activities from any and all claims, causes of actions and liability arising from or in any way connected with my volunteer participation with the Ruston Farmers Market.

____ Please check here if you give the Ruston Farmers Market permission to use photographs of you in its publicity efforts.

____ Please check here if we CAN use your name in association with your photograph.

Signed (parent/guardian): _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Group name (if volunteering with a group):

For Minors 12-18

Ruston Farmers Market Minor Volunteer Hold Harmless Agreement

I, _____, understand that my minor child _____, is volunteering at the Ruston Farmers Market. I hereby release, indemnify, and hold harmless, The Ruston Farmers Market, North Louisiana Farm Fresh, The City of Ruston, their directors and officers, employees, successors, assigns, legal representatives, organizers, sponsors, and supervisors of its activities from any and all claims, causes of actions and liability arising from or in any way connected with my child's volunteer participation with the Ruston Farmers Market.

____ Please check here if you give the Ruston Farmers Market permission to use photographs of your child in its publicity efforts.

____ Please check here if we CAN use your child's name in association with your photograph.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Group name (if volunteering with a group):
