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THE NORTH UNION FARMERS MARKET ACCEPTING SNAP BENEFITS CARDS AT 3 LOCATIONS

June 23, 2010–Cleveland–Beginning in July, North Union Farmers Market will begin accepting SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) Cards at its **Lakewood, Cleveland Clinic** and **Cleveland State University** locations. SNAP recipients may bring their Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards to the farmers market and obtain tokens which may be used to purchase fresh, local vegetables, fruits, dairy products, meat products, honey, preserves, baked goods, plants used to produce food at home and much more. SNAP recipients should first visit the “Market Information” tent to receive tokens before purchasing items.

North Union Farmers Market operates certified, producer-only markets. SNAP recipients who purchase local food from the market will receive fresh, nutrient-dense produce and all natural farm products.

Market Locations and Hours:

North Union Farmers Market in Lakewood

Arthur Avenue Extension in front of Kauffman Park, behind Drug Mart
Wednesdays, 10am to 1pm through September 30, 2010

North Union Farmers Market at the Cleveland Clinic

Crile Mall on East 100th between Euclid and Carnegie Avenues
Wednesdays, 10:30am to 2:30pm through October 6, 2010

North Union Farmers Market at Cleveland State University

Off of Euclid Avenue between East 18th and East 21st Streets
Thursdays, 10:30am to 1:30pm through October 2, 2010

North Union Farmers Market is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to champion the local foods of Northeast Ohio and promote their environmental, economic and health benefits by connecting certified producers with consumers through a network of markets.