



Better Together

INCREASING INTRA-AGENCY COLLABORATION IN
ALABAMA

Alabama Department of Agriculture & Industries

- Six Divisions, including:
 - Food Safety & Ag Compliance (FSMA-Produce Safety)
 - Farmers Market Authority (FMA)



Farmers Market Application

- Program Manager reached out to the FMA Interim Director to discuss collaboration and potentially assisting FMA staff in completing their farm verifications for the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program
- FMA Interim Director had the idea of adding the “What is your farm size based on income?” to ensure our agency was compliant with PSR regulations

Farm Information:

Farm Name and Address	City	Farm State	Zip Code
<input type="text"/> *	<input type="text"/> *	Please Select ▾*	<input type="text"/> *

Markets You Currently Attend:

Please select the markets you attend: *

Farm size based on average food sales for last 3 years:

(adjusted for inflation)

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*Food sales - includes all food for humans, feed for animals, & sales of live food animals.

Farmers Market Agreement Clause:

*I have read and understand and hereby agree to abide by the Rules and Procedures as printed in the Farmers Market Nutrition Program Training Manual or amendments to rules that may be promulgated at markets and/or mailed to me. **In compliance with USDA's regulations, I acknowledge that I have received training by submitting this completed form and a current year's growers permit each year to the Farmers Market Authority.** I understand and agree that it is my responsibility to submit these forms.*

You may send the grower's permit to us by email to fma@agi.alabama.gov by mail to:

Department of Agriculture & Industries
Farmers Market Authority
1445 Federal Drive
Montgomery, AL 36107.

* Signature: *

(*) designates required field

As a result of this cooperation...

- Of the 352 farms who submitted applications, only 47 were currently in the Produce Safety Inventory
 - Added **305 farms** to inventory
- Of these farms, **216 are micro-exempt** and **53 are Qualified Exempt**
- **36** additional farms will be added to the list of farm inspections scheduled this year

Future Opportunities

- Alabama Farm to School
- Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Program

