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Glenwood Sunday Market returns to Rogers Park for 14th season Sundays from June 4 to October 29, 2023

In 2022, the Market brought \$4.3 million spent in the neighborhood, with 34k shoppers served and \$46k raised for food accessibility programs

Currently fundraising via Mother's Day Lox Box sales for Food Access Program

CHICAGO (March 23, 2023) — The nonprofit **Rogers Park Business Alliance** (RPBA) is proud to announce the 14th season of its **Glenwood Sunday Market** (GSM), returning to the outdoor Glenwood Alfresco area, on the southbound Glenwood Avenue between Morse and Lunt Avenues, on the west side of the CTA Red Line Morse stop, <u>every Sunday from June 4 to</u> October 29, (closed on June 25 and August 20) from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

For the past 13 consecutive years, Glenwood Sunday Market has helped sustain the local food system and provided a significant revenue stream for local farmers and food producers. Last year, **21 participating vendors served over 34,000 shoppers**. 59% of all shoppers went to shop at local businesses in or around the market area, spending about \$76,000 weekly. Overall, the Market made a **\$4.3 million economic impact** in the neighborhood based on tracked spending at the market and surrounding businesses on Sundays during the Market's 2022 season.

Glenwood Sunday Market combats food insecurity in Rogers Park and strives for social justice through food access. In 2022, the Market gave away nearly **\$41,000 in double dollar matching grants** to food insecure shoppers, hundreds of pounds of healthy food at no cost to neighbors in need via a weekly food recovery program in partnership with Food Not Bombs, and was able to raise over **\$46,000 in funding toward food accessibility programs**. Donations for the 2023 Glenwood Sunday Markets can be made at https://www.glenwoodsundaymarket.org/donate.

The Market is currently raising funds through Mother's Day Lox Box sales to make sustainable, regionally produced foods available to all community members. Each Lox Box is \$45 and includes 4 bagels, 1 lb. total cream cheese (1/2 plain, 1/2 artisanal), 1/2 lb. hand-cured and hand-cut lox, and garnish. A vegetarian version of the box is available. Orders can be placed online at <u>urbantableschicago.com</u> by Friday, April 28 for pickup or delivery on Saturday, May 13 from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. and Sunday, May 14 from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. Pickup is available at Urban Tables (6957 N. Clark St.) and delivery with a \$3 fee is available within a 3-mile radius around the 60626 zip code area. Additional donations to the market can be made at

www.glenwoodsundaymarket.org/donate.

Glenwood Sunday Market encourages participation by farmers engaged in sustainable farming methods including certified organic farms and biodynamic farms as well as those who are transitioning land from conventional to organic. It is also welcoming artisanal food vendors who are committed to using local, seasonal, sustainably produced ingredients. The Market is composed of 60% agricultural products and 40% value-added food products. A complete list of vendors will be announced later.

All vendors accept cash and many of them accept credit and debit cards. LINK Cards and other SNAP cards are also accepted at GSM, with a grant match program continuing in 2023: every \$25 LINK transaction will be matched with an additional \$25, thanks to the generous grant from LinkUp Illinois.

Glenwood Sunday Market is a program of the nonprofit Rogers Park Business Alliance, with a vision to create an equitable, ethical, and secure local food system. Composed entirely of farmers and food artisans that work within 200 miles of Rogers Park, GSM's mission is to make sustainable, regionally produced foods accessible to the whole community. Glenwood Sunday Market is committed to economic, environmental, and social sustainability in Rogers Park, the city and region. For more information, visit <u>www.glenwoodsundaymarket.org</u>.

Rogers Park Business Alliance is a nonprofit organization that has served Chicago's diverse Rogers Park neighborhood for 30 years. RPBA works to cultivate and sustain a thriving economic environment in Rogers Park, serving businesses and residents with a variety of public events and business initiatives. RPBA programs include the GROW/PROGRESANDO entrepreneurial training program, the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Rogers Park Business Alliance, annual Best of Rogers Park awards, Chalk Howard Street Festival, Taco Crawl, and the Glenwood Sunday Market farmers market. For more information, visit <u>RPBA.org</u>.

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