

2011 Talking Points

Mankato Farmers' Market 35th Anniversary and Mankato Area Growers Association 25th Anniversary

- ✓ We now welcome EBT, WIC, Farmers Market Nutrition Program & Seniors (FMNP & SFMNP)
- ✓ We now accept credit & debit and sell gift cards
- ✓ Our vendors share nearly 400 years of combined customer service in the Greater Mankato area
- ✓ Our market supported 50 micro-businesses in 2010 all within a 40 mile radius of Mankato!
- ✓ BEC Historical Society archive donation and 35th/25th Anniversary book in progress for 2011
- ✓ Partnership with ECHO (Donated 8006lbs of food in 2010)
- ✓ We support local farmers, artists, musicians, writers, and strong healthy communities
- ✓ This year our Market Fresh Report will be available almost weekly (Mondays 8:40 on 93.1 Minnesota Country
 - Tue's after holidays. See our calendar for specific dates and times
- ✓ There are 3 bus routes to our market!
- ✓ Community schools, senior centers, assisted livings, and non-profits all have a place at our market for education, nutrition, and fun!
- ✓ Our market now has a restroom all season with hand washing for customers and vendors alike!
- ✓ Check us out on Facebook, Twitter, www.mankatofarmersmarket.com, and subscribe to our FreE-Newsletter online today!
- ✓ My local you tube and blog production is called "What's Ripe Mankato" and is at www.youtube.com/user/mankatofarmersmarket and www.mankatofarmersmarket.blogspot.com and a widget is there for free use by all! Just copy the widget (share and share alike☺).
- ✓ Member of Greater Mankato Growth and pledged members of the Buy & Build Greater Mankato campaign!