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## **City of Charleston Launches Eastside Produce Stand**

**Charleston, S.C.**—One of the City of Charleston's strategies for filling the produce void left behind by the closing of Bi-Lo on Meeting Street will come to fruition this Saturday, October 22, when Eastside Produce @ Hampstead Square begins operation.

Eastside Produce @ Hampstead Square will operate on Saturdays and Tuesdays from 3:30-6:30 p.m. in the southwest quadrant of Hampstead Square, across Columbus Street from the basketball court.

The produce stand will begin with two local produce vendors, Joseph Fields Farm and Oliver Freeman Farm. Joseph Fields Farm offers a variety of local produce including Certified Organic produce and accepts cash, credit or debit cards, SNAP/EBT and Senior Vouchers. Oliver Freeman Farm also offers a variety of local produce and accepts cash, credit or debit cards, SNAP/EBT (Healthy Bucks), WIC, Senior Vouchers.

Mayor Tecklenburg said, "The sudden closing of the Meeting Street Bi-Lo left our East Side residents without a convenient way to purchase fresh produce. We knew we had to move quickly to find a solution, and I am happy to announce that Eastside Produce @ Hampstead Square will soon begin providing our citizens quick and easy access to fresh fruits and vegetables every Saturday and Tuesday."

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