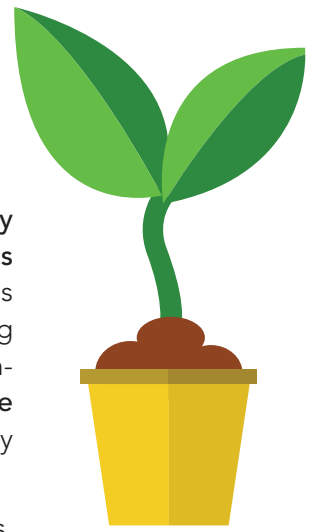


PASS PENNSYLVANIA AGRICULTURAL SURPLUS SYSTEM



The Pennsylvania Agricultural Surplus System (PASS) is an innovative program for accessing healthy and nutritious surplus food produced by Pennsylvania farmers in an effort to share these products with Pennsylvania families in need. Through PASS, the PA Department of Agriculture provides funding to cover the costs associated with harvesting, processing, packaging, and transporting surplus products including fruits, vegetables, eggs, dairy, poultry, pork, beef, and grains (much-needed items at food banks and their agencies) in order to donate those items to the charitable food system. Significant portions of the product obtained through PASS is food that is perfectly nutritious and edible but might otherwise become waste.

In its first year of funding, PASS had a positive impact for Pennsylvania agricultural producers, local food sourcing, and Pennsylvanians in need.



Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture allocates funding for PASS.



Pennsylvania producers use the money to harvest surplus product.



Pennsylvania families in need get access to fresh food!

HOW IS PASS DISTRIBUTED?

Using the State Food Purchase Program formula, all 67 counties receive a PASS allocation.

WHAT DOES PASS FUNDING COVER?

- Cost for farmers to harvest surplus product from the field
- Cost to package product
- Cost for value added product (ie: processing milk into cheese)
- Transportation to get the product to the food bank

POTENTIAL FOR MORE IMPACT

The current \$1 million appropriation only covers a portion of the nutritious bounty that could be brought into the charitable food system through PASS to help nourish the 1.8 million Pennsylvanians who struggle to put food on the table. For this reason, we are advocating for an increase to \$5 million for this vital initiative.



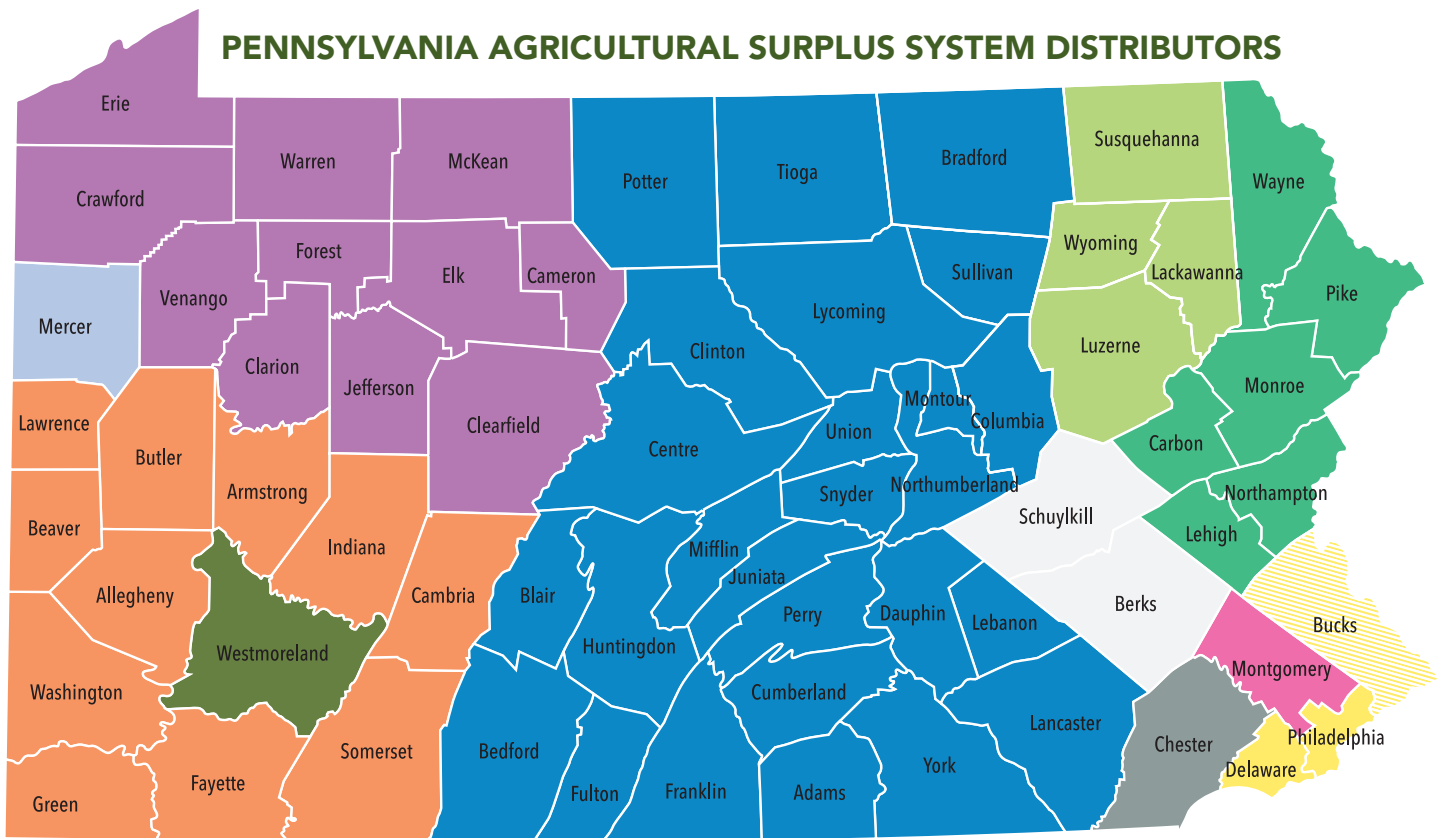
"We now have a mechanism for our farm to recover a portion of the fixed costs associated with packaging and distribution of our donated potatoes. Thus, providing a benefit to our farming operation, while at the same time benefiting the charitable food system and those that it serves. It has truly been a win-win."

- Dave Masser, President, Sterman Masser, Inc.

2016 PASS SUPPLIERS

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| Apple Castle, LLC
Bear Mountain Orchards, Inc.
Beaver Meadow Creamery, Inc.
Benedict Produce, LLC
Broad Wing Farm
Burch Farms
Butter Valley Harvest
Copenhaver Produce
Country Gardens Produce
Dries Orchard
Eagle Road Produce
Eckert Farms
Frankenfield Farm
Frecon Fruit Farms
Gerald R. King | Greener Partners
Harrisburg Dairies, Inc.
Hess Bros. Fruit Company
Hillandale Farms
Hilltop Greenhouse
IHarvest, Inc.
Jim's Farm Produce
King Acre Ranch, LLC
Kolbs Farm Store
Kunzler & Company, Inc.
Lady Moon Farms
Land O Lakes
Lawrence Breauchy
Leola Produce Auction
Living Hope Farms | Long Acres Potato Farms
Lucas Farms Produce Center
Marshalek's Fruit Farm
Mason Farms, LLC 2011
Masser Potato Farms
Merrymead Farm, Inc.
Nell Family Poultry
NEMA Food Company
Pennypack Farm
Pete and Gerry's Organic, LLC
Pete's Produce Farm
Pocono Mountain Dairies
Red Earth Farm
Rice Fruit Farm
Rowlands PA Produce | Sandy Ridge Farm
Sauder, R.W. Inc.
Schneider's Dairy, Inc.
Scholl Orchards
Sernak Farms
Smith Provision Company, Inc.
Sunny Harvest, LLC
Sunset Farm
Taproot Farm
Titusville Dairy
Tri County Product Auction
Valley Farms Dairy
Weaver's Orchard
Wexford Farms, Inc. |
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PENNSYLVANIA AGRICULTURAL SURPLUS SYSTEM DISTRIBUTORS



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Central Pennsylvania Food Bank ■ Community Food Warehouse of Mercer County ■ Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank ■ Philabundance/Share Food | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Montgomery County Community Action Development Commission - CADCOM ■ Second Harvest Food Bank of Lehigh Valley & Northeast PA ■ Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania and Central Pennsylvania Food Bank ■ Chester County Food Bank | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ H&J Weinberg NEPA Regional Food Bank ■ Greater Berks Food Bank ■ Bucks County Opportunity Council |
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