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FARMERS MARKET LOVERS REJOICE — PIKE PLACE FARMERS MARKETS RETURN WITH NEW LOCATION AND CSA PROGRAM

Seattle's original farmers market brings the season's best to Seattleites at five summer markets, while launching the new "Pike Box" CSA subscription.







SEATTLE – April 3, 2018 – Celebrating the opening of its new Regrade location next to the Amazon Spheres and the 10th season of its City Hall location, <u>Pike Place Market</u> announces its lineup of summer farmers markets, as well as the launch of its new Pike Box CSA.

Beginning Tuesday, May 29, <u>Pike Place Farmers Markets</u> will open for the season: the market at Pike Place will be open on Saturdays, and The Regrade, City Hall Plaza, South Lake Union and First Hill locations will be open on weekdays (see schedule below). Each Pike Place Farmers Market offers a vast assortment of produce, flowers, honey, jam and more from the Market's farmers and producers.

The opening of the **new Regrade location** next to the Amazon Spheres at 7th Avenue and Lenora Street brings the season's best from Seattle's oldest farmers market to one of the city's fastest developing areas. Additionally, the City Hall location, which allows Seattleites in the financial and international districts to conveniently shop local, is celebrating its 10th season.

Also new to this farm season is the launch of <u>Pike Box</u>, a weekly Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) produce subscription box. Pike Box includes a season's worth of fresh, local produce sourced directly from Pike Place Market farmers and is hand-packed every week at the Market. The 20-week membership further supports local farmers in growing their businesses by opening new sales channels, connecting them with new customers, allowing them opportunities to experiment with new crop varieties and more. Pike Box is available in two sizes — small is \$18/box and regular is \$24/box — and is available for pick-up Wednesdays at the Pike Place MarketFront Pavilion starting June 20.

"Spring and summer are such wonderful seasons in Seattle, and the opening of our remote farmers markets really accentuates the energy and buzz that we feel in the community," said Mary Bacarella, Executive Director of Pike Place Market Preservation and Development Authority (PDA). "We're greatly anticipating the opening of our newest location at the Amazon Spheres, but more importantly, with these markets and the launch of our new Pike Box, we're excited to showcase our amazing farmers and producers, bringing fresh and local goods directly to Seattleites throughout the week."

Hours and locations of Pike Place Market Farmers Markets:

Markets will begin Tuesday, May 29, 2018

The Regrade Farmers Market

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 29 – September 25 7th Ave. and Lenora Street, next to the Amazon Spheres

City Hall Farmers Market

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 29 – October 9 600 4th Ave.

South Lake Union Farmers Market

Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 31 – October 11 410 Terry Ave. N

First Hill Farmers Market

Fridays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

June 1 – September 28

9th Ave. and University Street

Farmers Market at Pike Place Market

Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. June – October Pike Place

All Pike Place Farmers Markets accept debit and credit cards, EBT, WIC and Senior FMNP. The markets, which operate in accordance to the Washington State Farmers Market Association guidelines, also provide EBT matching through the City of Seattle's Fresh Bucks program. For more information about Pike Place Farmers Markets, visit www.pikeplacemarket.org/farmers-market.

Pike Place Market is Seattle's original farmers market, founded in 1907, and is one of the oldest continuously operating public markets in the U.S. The market operates within a nine-acre historic district and is a bustling neighborhood of hundreds of vendors, residents and businesses, including farmers, craftspeople, independent shops, buskers, and residents, many of whom are low-income seniors, and five social service agencies. www.pikeplacemarket.org

The Pike Place Market Preservation & Development Authority (PDA) is a not-for-profit, public corporation chartered by the City of Seattle in 1973 to manage the properties in the nine-acre Market Historic District. The PDA is required to preserve, rehabilitate and protect the Market's buildings, increase opportunities for farm and food retailing in the Market, incubate and support small and marginal businesses, and provide services and affordable housing for low-income people.