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SHOP THE MARKET, SAVE THE PLANET

DAYTON - Each month celebrates a different aspect of the National City 2nd Street Market, and in line with April's theme of "Earth First," the Market is hosting several fresh, unique, local and eco-friendly activities.

- **Tree Seedling Giveaway:** The Market is partnering with the Montgomery and Miami County Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Rush Creek Gardens and Dayton Power & Light for this special event Friday, April 16, and Saturday, April 17. This event seeks to make greater Dayton greener both figuratively and literally by giving away tree seedlings and compact florescent light bulbs. The event will take place during normal Market hours (11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday), but only a limited quantity of seedlings and CFLs are available.
- **A Greener Home:** Sally, the vendor who operates "A Greener You," will share information about different types of environmentally friendly products used to clean the home. This program is set for 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 22, at the Market. To register, call (937) 228-2088 or register online.
- **Totally Green Craft Project:** "A Greener You" vendor Sally will lead children and their caregivers in a craft project using only environmentally friendly materials from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday, April 23, at the Market. Call (937) 228-2088 to reserve a spot or register online.

Market vendors hope this time of year reminds Miami Valley residents of the importance of eco-friendly practices. "The 2nd Street Market has great examples of simple, Earth-saving techniques," says Market Manager Jimmy Harless. "For instance, buying local not only helps families right here in the region, it reduces the need for transportation of goods, which decreases fuel consumption and reduces emissions. Market patrons also play a role by recycling. Each year, the Market recycles more than 5,240 lbs of paper, cardboard, aluminum cans and plastic bottles, not to mention around 1,000 lbs from household battery recycling. Plus Market customers can purchase handy, insulated, reusable tote bags that shows their support of the local foods movement and keeps plastic bags out of a landfill. Now *that's* green!"

To learn more about the 2nd Street Market, including an overview of vendors, programs offered, upcoming events and more, visit www.metroparks.org/localfoods.

ABOUT FIVE RIVERS METROPARKS





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Five Rivers MetroParks focuses on three areas – conservation, recreation and education – as part of its role as steward of greater Dayton’s public lands. Established in 1963 through the efforts of forward-thinking citizens concerned about preserving green space and natural areas, Five Rivers MetroParks has grown to a nationally renowned park system composed of natural area parks, gardens, sensitive river corridors, urban parks and a network of recreation trails. Educational programs and recreational opportunities are offered year-round for all ages. And, diverse natural habitats are being protected and cared for today to assure their future existence. To learn more about Five Rivers MetroParks, log onto www.metroparks.org or call (937) 275-PARK.

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