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## Press Release

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### **Westport Market reopens for second season bringing fresh food options to South Baltimore**

*Farmers' market will be at new location on Annapolis Road near Westport Light Rail Station*

**BALTIMORE, MD** – Westport Market, a farmers' market that was launched in 2015 to provide more fresh food options in South Baltimore, in June will return for its second season at a new location just two blocks from the Westport Light Rail Station.

The market will be open Wednesday nights from 6 to 8:30 p.m. from June 22 to October 5 at 2308 Annapolis Road. This year the market will accept EBT/SNAP, giving customers more payment options.

"We started off started off small last year but hope a new location only two blocks away from the Westport light rail station and expanded payment options will make the market even more attractive this year. We're extremely thankful to New Jerusalem Deliverance Temple for giving us permission to host the market at 2308 Annapolis Road" said Diana Velasquez-Kolnik, founder of the Westport Market.

The market will feature vendors offering produce, baked goods, eggs, poultry fruit, prepared food and host community organizations who wish to showcase their services to the community. A complete list of vendors will be released before opening day.

Westport Market funding is made possible thanks to a grant from MECU and the Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts, a booster t-shirt fundraising campaign, individual giving and a donation from Sagamore Development.

"Opening day we're hosting a free raffle of three gift baskets with market merchandise and gift cards. Our kickoff day is a celebration to a healthier community and an opportunity for us to connect with our food." Velasquez-Kolnik said.

**WHAT:** Westport Market farmers' market

**WHEN:** Wednesdays from June 22 to October 5, 2016 from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** 2308 Annapolis Road, Baltimore, MD 21230

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