

## **Farm Fresh Food Hub New Co-op Membership Process & Guidelines**

Since our founding in 2016, Farm Fresh Food Hub has been a community service cooperative, which community members have been welcome to join and support via two membership types: Producer and Supporter. These memberships have allowed our community to show symbolic support for the work FFFH does, participate as voting members at our AGMs, and in the case of Producer Members, receive a discount on tent rentals at the South Osborne Farmers' Market.

However, as FFFH begins exciting new steps towards developing a permanent, year-round food hub facility, we are updating our membership process and guidelines so that our membership can grow in both supporting and benefiting from the co-op's activities.

### **Summary of Membership Policy Changes:**

- Membership and fees will now be renewed annually, expiring Jan 31st of each year..
- Supporter Membership is now \$10/year and Producer Membership is now \$35/year.
- Existing Supporter Members who do not wish to pay an annually-renewing fee for membership will have the option to keep their membership as a Legacy Supporter, and will continue to receive voting privileges at AGMs.
- Producer Members now receive additional benefits of membership of FFFH Co-op:
  - Access to Food Hub purchasing (Food Hub will purchase only from Producer Members)
  - Participation in members-only Food Hub policy feedback opportunities
  - Producer members will still receive a discount on tent rentals at the South Osborne Farmers' Market (SOFM)
- All weekly vendors\* at the SOFM must now be Producer Members (\*see FMAC Guidelines).