

Community food gardeners invited to sell their harvest at Shoprite and Checkers

More than 30 local community food gardens have been invited to sell their fresh and organically-grown produce directly to the public at selected Shoprite and Checkers supermarkets nationwide on Thursday, 17 November 2022.

“Market Day was introduced in 2017 to further extend our support of community food gardens and create sustainable livelihood opportunities. It provides the gardens with an opportunity to sell their organically-grown fresh produce and earn an income, while promoting themselves to a broader audience and gaining valuable retail experience,” says Sanjeev Raghubir, Sustainability Manager at the Shoprite Group.

To support Market Day, visit the following participating [Shoprite](#) or [Checkers](#) supermarkets on Thursday, 17 November 2022:

Eastern Cape

- Wathint' Abafazi – Shoprite Ziyabuya, Gqeberha
- Phawu Agripak Cooperative – Shoprite Dutywa, Idutywa

Gauteng

- [Farm to Folk](#) – Checkers FX Emfuleni, Vanderbijlpark
- Siyakhula/Reahola Community Garden - Checkers Grey Owl Midstream, Centurion
- [Supa-Dimama Senior Citizens Centre](#) - Checkers Kosmosdal, Centurion
- Mahata Mmoho Agricultural Cooperative - Checkers Hyper Vanderbijlpark
- [NOSA Early Learning Orphans and Vulnerable Children's Centre](#) - Checkers Wonderpark
- Tholakele Centre of Hope – Checkers Selcourt, Springs
- [Environmentorz Community Food Garden](#) – Checkers Southgate, Johannesburg
- [LeanoAgri Food Garden](#) – Checkers FX Greenstone Mall, Edenvale
- [Moabelo Foundation](#) – Checkers Hyper Arcon Park, Vereeniging
- Dithaka Dikopane Cooperative – Checkers Hyper Westgate, Roodepoort
- [Carroll Shaw Memorial Centre](#) – Checkers Tambotie Mall Randfontein
- Bakgatla ba Mosetlha – Shoprite Temba, Hammanskraal

North West

- [Nthabiseng Skills Training Centre for the Disabled](#) - Checkers Hyper Rustenburg
- [Mokaila Community Project](#) – Checkers Mafikeng

Limpopo

- Marubini Multi-Purpose Women's Primary Cooperative - Checkers Makhado Crossing, Louis Trichardt
- [We Can Women's Development Co-op](#) – Shoprite Paledi
- [Ratanang Agricultural Cooperative Limited](#) – Shoprite Mankweng
- [St. Scholastica OVC Program Food Garden](#) – Shoprite Elim, Louis Trichardt

Free State

- [Qholaghwe Garden Project](#) – Shoprite Mandela Park, Puthaditjhaba
- [Phahamang Basadi Community Garden](#) – Checkers Parys 2

- [Ntoanatsatsi Community Garden](#) – Shoprite Setsing, Puthaditjhaba
- [Free State Rural Women Assembly Agroecological Hub](#) – Shoprite Botshabelo Mall
- [Ntataise Creche Garden](#) – Shoprite Botshabelo

KwaZulu-Natal

- [Velemseni Farming Group](#) – Shoprite Estcourt
- Siyazondla kwaPhindangene – Shoprite Ulundi
- [Yenzanathi Community Upliftment Project](#) – Checkers Watercrest, Pinetown
- [Thubelihle Special Opportunity School](#) – Shoprite Ladysmith
- Siyakhula Community Project – Shoprite Gingindlovu, KwaGingindlovu

Northern Cape

- [Retshwenyegile Home Based Care](#) – Checkers Hartswater
- Tshenolo Primary Co-operative – Shoprite Taung

Western Cape

- Siyazama Community Garden – Checkers Somerset West

Hunger relief and food security are at the core of the Shoprite Group's corporate social investment programmes. The Group currently supports more than 180 [community food gardens](#) and over 3 500 home gardens, which impacts almost 53 000 beneficiaries. In the past year, more than 2 700 community members were trained in sustainable food gardening, assisting them to grow nutritious and organic food. The gardens collectively produced a harvest of more than 31 500kg, providing almost 100 000 meals.

The Group's support also includes 18 months of hands-on permaculture training for garden members, as well as water-supply infrastructure, shade-netting and garden resources – including gardening tools, seeds, seedlings and compost.

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