

## **Farmers Help Community During COVID-19 Pandemic**

Montgomery County farmers helped the community by donating 900 gallons of local milk to Manna Food Center in Gaithersburg, MD on Thursday, June 11, 2020. Manna Food Center shared the milk donation with Women Who Care Ministries, Adventist Community Services of Greater Washington, BOLD (Black Organizing for Leadership and Dignity) and Family Services Inc. for distribution to County residents.

Montgomery County Farm Bureau (MCFB) partnered with Maryland & Virginia Milk Producers Cooperative to purchase 900 gallons of fresh milk processed at the Maola Local Dairy in nearby Landover, MD. MCFB is delighted to provide County residents with fresh, wholesome milk from farmer-owned dairy farms in the Maryland/Virginia region during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Maola Brand milk is sold at various locations throughout Montgomery County.

MCFB also partnered with the University of Maryland Extension (UME), Montgomery County SNAP-Ed program and Student Wellness Initiatives for Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) to coordinate distribution to local food assistance providers.

Montgomery County Farm Bureau is a non-profit organization of farmers and those who support agriculture. Members promote and advocate for agriculture in Montgomery County. Montgomery County Farm Bureau is a member of Maryland Farm Bureau, the leading voice of Maryland agriculture with over 13,000 members statewide.

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