



9th Annual Farmer's Table

2019 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

All sponsors at all levels receive the following recognition:

- Logo or name included on card at each guest seat
- Logo or name to appear in all online and traditional media releases and printed promotional materials related to the Farmer's Table Dinner
- Recognition by the speaker during dinner

In addition, the following benefits are specific to each sponsorship level:

- **Farmers' Partner (\$5000 or higher)** Four tickets* to attend The Farmer's Table Dinner in addition to your name or logo displayed on a highly visible banner during the evening, your name or logo listed in the program, large artisan gift basket of Litchfield County farm-grown bounty; ability to provide promotional items, consistent with our mission, to the 175 guests in attendance
- **Farmers' Advocate (\$2500)** Two tickets* to attend the Farmer's Table Dinner in addition to your name or logo displayed on a highly visible banner during the evening, your name or logo listed in the program, artisan gift basket of Litchfield County farm-grown bounty
- **Farmers' Supporter (\$1000)** Two tickets* to attend the Farmer's Table Dinner in addition to your name or logo displayed on a highly visible banner during the evening, your name or logo listed in the program
- **Farmers' Friend (\$500)** One ticket* to attend the Farmer's Table Dinner, your name or logo listed in the program
- **Farmers' Fan (\$250)** Your name or logo listed in the program

**The non-deductible portion of each \$150 ticket or its monetary equivalent is \$75*

How your sponsorship funds are used:

- **Local farmers at the table.** Up to 20 farmers from whom we purchase the local grown produce and product for the Farmer's Table Dinner are included as our guests at the dinner. (Farmers are paid market rates for their product)
- **Farmer's Forum.** 100+ Litchfield County farmers attend the free biennial Farmer's Forum at Wamogo Regional High School. They receive the agri-business skills enhancement they request. This day-long forum offers sessions developed on topics identified by local farmers at a gathering the prior winter. Exit surveys are given to confirm the subjects were relevant, sessions valued and the connections important
- **CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) shares for Litchfield County residents who otherwise would not have access to seasonal locally grown produce.** Annual proceeds from The Farmer's Table Dinner provide fresh produce as part of 3000 meals for the underserved in Northwest Connecticut who otherwise may not have access to fresh, healthy local produce
- **Internships.** Farm internships are given to local students who have expressed interest in agricultural careers
- **Grants.** All-expense stipends for farmers to attend professional agricultural conferences.
- **Start-up grants for the Torrington-based Northwest Connecticut Regional Food Hub.** The food hub aggregates produce from Litchfield County farmers to attract large institutional buyers