



Great food rooted in community



Gem City Market, being constructed at 324 Salem Ave., will meet the diverse needs of Dayton families with a full-service grocery store and deli.

Everyone is welcome to shop at Gem City Market.

As a co-op, the Market is built by the Dayton community and is owned by the community. Member-owners and loyal customers are both vital to the Market's success.

Equity from member-owners creates a stronger, more resilient Gem City Market.

*BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!*

[www.GemCityMarket.com](http://www.GemCityMarket.com)



photo: Mark Willis

# What makes Gem City Market so special?

Gem City Market is different because, as a co-op, it is owned by its workers, customers, and community members. ***This could be you!*** If you choose to become a member-owner, you will have a voice in how the Market operates and the opportunity to guide your store to best meet your needs.

Co-ops are proven economic drivers and community builders. When you purchase ownership in Gem City Market, you strengthen that commitment to local partners and share in the collective hope of West Dayton's economic resurgence.



“Gem City Market shows to me how a community comes together to solve its own problems when others had given up on it.”

— Yetunde Rodriguez,  
local textile artist

## The Movement

Gem City Market, on the corner of Salem and Superior Ave., will be a vibrant, community-centered grocery store with well-trained, friendly workers (who are also owners!) who know the value of providing exceptional service. The Market will restore grocery service to Northwest Dayton for the first time in over a decade.

## At the Market you can expect:

- ◆ affordable, quality kitchen staples
- ◆ fresh produce, meats, and dairy
- ◆ specialty and organic products
- ◆ fresh deli sandwiches, salads, entrees
- ◆ a powerful sense of community, because this store was built by us, for us!

## Gem City Market will be more than a grocery store! It will also feature:

- ◆ a teaching kitchen for classes and programs on nutrition and other topics, open to all
- ◆ a community room
- ◆ a mini health clinic
- ◆ a coffeehouse



## Add Your Voice — Become a Member

Purchase a membership of Gem City Market Cooperative and become one of our member-owners. ***Your Market membership is a one-time purchase that will provide value for years***, both to you and to the community. Together, we can provide access to healthy and fresh food to West Dayton. The benefits of membership are many:



### Community support:

Be part of the grass-roots effort bringing healthy food to Dayton.



### Special promotions:

You'll gain access to member-only sales prices and promotions.



### Leadership opportunities:

Vote or run for community seats on the board of directors.



### Community participation:

Attend annual meetings to use your voice and your vote to improve your Market experience.

## Membership Payment Options:

### One-Time Payment

\$100 -or- \$10 for those with a fixed or low-income

### Installment Plan

\$10 per month / 10 months (*online only*)

### Neighborhood Match

\$50 matched by Premier Health for residents in: 45402, 05, 06, 16, 17, 26

### Supporter

Starting at \$90. [GemCityMarket.com/supporter](https://GemCityMarket.com/supporter)

[GemCityMarket.com/become-a-member](https://GemCityMarket.com/become-a-member)



**APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP AND SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT IN  
GEM CITY MARKET COOPERATIVE, INC.**

By this Application for Community Membership and Subscription Agreement (the **Membership Agreement**),  
the undersigned \_\_\_\_\_ (**Applicant**):

- Applies for Voting Membership in Gem City Market Cooperative, Inc., a cooperative organized under the Ohio Cooperative Law (Chapter 1729 of the Ohio Revised Code); and
- Subscribes for the purchase of one share of community-owner stock of the Cooperative.

In order to persuade the Cooperative to accept this Application for Community Membership, the Applicant represents and agrees that Applicant:

1. **Eligible Member.** Is a natural person and agrees to support the Gem City Market Cooperative Principles of Governance, as outlined in the bylaws, and is eligible to become a Voting Member as defined in the Articles and Bylaws of the Cooperative;
2. **Purchase of Membership Stock.** Is subscribing to purchase, and, upon acceptance as a Community-Owner of the Cooperative has tendered to the Cooperative One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) as the purchase price for one share of the Cooperative’s Community-Owner Class;
3. **Disclaimer of Investment Motive.** Is seeking membership in the Gem City Market Cooperative and is subscribing for membership as a community-owner of the Cooperative with no expectation of appreciation in value of or return on Applicant’s capital contribution as such, but rather as an investment to obtain access to the services the Cooperative provides to its Members, a right to participate in the governance of the Cooperative and the direction of such services, and an opportunity to share in the net earnings (if any) the Cooperative, based on a percentage of profit not reinvested in the market and based on patronage.
4. **Acceptance of Articles and Bylaws.** The Gem City Market Cooperative’s Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws are available at [www.gemcitymarket.com](http://www.gemcitymarket.com). Applicant will abide by these Articles and Bylaws, as amended, and the policies and conditions of Membership adopted under the Articles and Bylaws.
5. **Consent to Taxation on Patronage.** Acknowledges Gem City Market Cooperative has adopted a Consent Bylaw (Article VIII Sec. 7 of the Cooperative Bylaws) that states as one condition of Membership that Applicant consents to take into account for Applicant's Federal Income Tax reporting, the face amount of each qualified written notice of allocation that Applicant receives from the Cooperative. Members will be required to provide their Taxpayer Identification Number to the Cooperative prior to receiving any patronage.

APPLICANT PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: ( \_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

May we welcome you publicly? Y / N Who did you hear about GCM from? \_\_\_\_\_

Please keep a copy for your records. A copy of the Cooperative’s Articles, Bylaws and Principles of Governance are available at [www.gemcitymarket.com/governance](http://www.gemcitymarket.com/governance). Check/money order payable to: **Gem City Market Cooperative**  
Mail to: Gem City Market Cooperative %CO-OP Dayton | 840 Germantown Street | Dayton OH 45402

**Gem City Market Use Only (Do not write below this message)**

Date Received:	Gem City Representative:	Receipt Number: _____
Membership type: \$100	\$50(neighborhood match)	\$10(low-income)

Payment type: Cash (Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ) Check ( # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ )