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Welcome Mark Smith, General Manager of the Philadelphia Wholesale Produce Market!

Mark Smith joined the Philadelphia Wholesale Produce Market as General Manager in November 2018. As GM, he is responsible to maintain and monitor the daily operations of the PWPM, including security, maintenance, waste management, and facility programs. Mark previously served under Governor Tom Wolf in various roles...

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Philabundance Produce Rescue

For the past year and a half, **Philabundance**, the Delaware Valley's largest hunger relief organization, has set up a **Produce Rescue Center** on Friday mornings in a breezeway of the 686,000 square foot **Philadelphia Wholesale Produce Market (PWPM)**. What started as a seed of an idea has blossomed into a successful long-term program that has collected well over 1,000,000 lbs. of fresh produce, feeding people in nine counties in PA and South Jersey.

"The process is pretty simple," says Christine Hofmann, Marketing Coordinator for the PWPM. "Philabundance sends a reminder to the merchants each week about the Rescue Center and visits the stores to inspect and approve pallets for donation. Fridays are a particularly good day for donations since the PWPM is closed on Saturdays."

Philabundance brings in volunteers from Philly area companies to sort through the cases to get them to 100% high-quality produce. "The volunteers are invaluable," says Tana Wilkinson, Food Acquisition Procurement Associate at Philabundance, "Without their efforts and their time commitment, those cases would be wasted and our neighbors in need wouldn't have the benefit of this perfectly delicious produce."

Thanks go out to everyone involved in this great program! If you'd like to volunteer for a rescue shift on Friday mornings, go to www.philabundance.org and click on Get Involved.

Meet the Merchants!

The Philadelphia Wholesale Produce Market is made up of 21 unique wholesalers. Each business has its own story and history. Every month, we'll give you a brief glimpse into two of them.

B.R.S. Produce – Units D-2 & D-3



B.R.S. Produce is a full line produce house. They offer vegetables from every growing region in the US and throughout the world. Specializing in tropical produce, mushrooms, and tomatoes from all growing regions, they also house California products year round. B.R.S Produce is proud to serve customers in the Tri-State area and beyond!

Phone (215) 336-5454

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Wick & Brother, Inc. – Unit G-3



Wick & Brother, Inc. is a 2nd generation family owned produce company operating in Philadelphia for over 140 years. They support local farmers as well as growers in North and South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee, and Mexico. Wick takes pride in maintaining a long history of honesty and integrity. Wick & Brother, Inc. was established in 1876 - 100 years after the signing of the Declaration of Independence!

Phone (215) 336-2252



Are you Ready for March?

Stock up for Pi Day, St. Patrick's Day and yes, the first day of Spring!

Pi Day – Thursday, March 14th

St. Patrick's Day – Sunday, March 17th

First Day of Spring – Wednesday, March 20th



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