



Vendor Spotlight  
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Howard County Farmers' Market

## Myron Starr



Greetings! My name is Myron D. Starr and I was born March 24, 1963. I am now retired and am actually a local boy who grew up in Nashville. I graduated from NHS in 1981, and am single. I got involved with farming through my own family - an extended family of gardeners and farmers. From my great grandparents, to my grandparents, to my parents and now to me, we're all farmers.

My Uncle Clark Jordan, who is also a vendor, introduced me to the Farmers' Market when I moved back to Arkansas from Georgia. I am now growing and bringing tomatoes, cucumbers, purple hull peas, okra, greens and peppers to the market.

Before moving back to Arkansas, I worked in the banking industry right out of college for 15 years and then made a career change and served as the Director of Special Events for Midtown Bowl for the past 11 years. I worked with a number of famous people including actors Tyler Perry, Billy Crystal, Kevin Hart, and Bette Midler and rapper/actor T.I. Harris. It was my mother's and elder brother's illnesses that led to my early retirement and move back to Nashville Ark to help take care of them both.

My vision for the market is to see it expand so that the community can have easy access to healthy food at affordable prices. I want to encourage the younger generation to realize the importance of farming and the wonderful benefits one can gain from it.

One of the most important things I've learned in life is that the old saying "there is no place like home" is oh so true. After being away from Nashville for over 30 years, I have never been happier than I am right now - back home with my family. I truly enjoy helping others and being of service to my family and community.

My advice to anyone who wants to grow a garden would be to tap into your nurturing side. You have to have patience and nurture your garden in order for it to produce. And it also doesn't hurt if you like playing in the dirt like a big kid!

The Market is here to serve you - the community. Drop by my booth on any Friday and let's talk. I'd love to get to know people "back home" again. And if you have any special requests for certain vegetables, please let me know.