

Washington County's Groundhog Day Farmers Market Fest

WHEN: Friday, January 29, 2027 5:00pm – 9:00pm (snow date: Friday, Feb. 5, 2027)

Vendor Setup: 2:30 – 4:30pm / Vendor Cleanup: 9:00pm – 10:00pm

WHERE: Washington County Agricultural Education Center Multi-Purpose Building

7313 Sharpsburg Pike Boonsboro, MD 21713

WHAT: Groundhog Day is a family- friendly annual event that showcases local farms, products, and value-added producers all in one place. Enjoy samples, live music, a kid's zone, and more!

CONTACTS: Kelsey Keadle 301-573-7039 or dbedgroundhogday@washco-md.net

Provided for you:

- 3 X 8 foot table, covered with navy tablecloth
- 2 chairs per vendor table (more available upon request)
- Commercial kitchen onsite for cleanup purposes (must request in advance)

Forms/ Certifications required:

1. All vendors will receive $100 check payable following the completion of the event, which includes submitting the required vendor survey. The survey helps us assess the success of the event, and your participation is essential. (For new vendors, Washington County Government requires every new vendor to complete a Vendor Request Form (W-9 and supplier information form) which will be emailed to you upon approval of your application.)
2. Complete Groundhog Day Event Vendor Application form attached.
3. Each vendor is required to provide a sample of their product; Businesses providing food samples must complete The Washington County Health Department Permit to Operate a Special Temporary Food Service Facility form attached/emailed to you and bring the certificate with you to the Groundhog Day event or provided it via email in advance.

4. Wineries, breweries, and distilleries need TAM certificate for at least one employee present at the event.
5. For wineries, breweries and distilleries please complete your off- permit sales license using our Washington County Liquor License number 20201888.

Please return all completed forms by December 11, 2026. Your information will be used in promotional material, advertising, and other media.

Key information:

1. All guests will be required to show a valid ID at the entrance. Guests who are 21 and over will receive a wristband indicating they are of legal drinking age, which will allow them to sample and purchase alcohol.
2. Last call for alcohol will be at 8:30.
3. Vendor space assignment has been determined in advance.
4. Snow Date is Friday, February 5, 2027.
5. In the event of poor weather conditions, a decision will be made by 10am on Friday January 29, 2027.
6. Max ticket sales will be 350 people. Visit Eventbrite for more details.

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Vendor Application 2027

Please return this completed form to Kelsey Keadle on or before December 11, 2026:

dbedgroundhogday@washco-md.net
or
Wash. Co. Department of Business and Economic Development
Attn: Kelsey Keadle
100 West Washington Street Suite 1401
Hagerstown, MD 21740

Vendor Information:

First and Last Name:
Name of Business:
Address of Business:
Have you attended the Groundhog Day event before:
Primary Contact Person Name:
Primary Contact Phone Number:
Primary Contact email address:
Name (s) of employees attending:

If applicable, name of employee attending TAM certified:
What will you be providing for the Tasting/ Sampling (please be specific):
What will you have on hand to sell:
Do you need access to the commercial kitchen?
Do you need access to an electrical outlet?
Business Web Site:
Facebook Site:
If applicable, have you obtained your Health Department Permit for Food Tasting? If so, please attach:
Complete (if required as new vendor) Vendor Request Form (W-9 and supplier information form) which will be sent to you by email upon completion of application:
If applicable, proof of Off-Site Permit (OSP) sales license:

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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