



# YPSI MIX

June 2019

312 N. River Street, Ypsilanti, MI

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## Annual Meeting Update!

### June Events

**Pete Murdock Memorial Sunday, June 9th @ 2pm Prospect Park**  
Ice Cream and socializing to celebrate the great contributions made by Pete over 40 years, including contributing to the formation of the Ypsi Food Coop.

**Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday June 18th @ 6:30pm**  
All are welcome! Come meet the 2019 board!

**Member Orientation Saturday June 22 @ 2 pm**  
Come learn more about your membership and the YFC and receive a 10% coupon.

**Thursday July 4th, 11am Ypsi Parade**  
Wake the family and get ready to celebrate independence day with us! Open from 9-3 for you to be able to get great quality picnic fare for the 4th!

### YFC Social



Another annual update was given at the Freighthouse in May reviewing 2018. We had delicious pinwheels and hummus from our deli, and desserts brought by member owners. The 2018 Annual Report was presented and is available for you to pick up a copy in the store. It will be emailed to all along with the weekly email newsletter. At the 2018 annual meeting, the bylaws were updated by an approval of the member owners present at the meeting. Those changes helped the board revise the

candidate application process. While not immensely different than past policy, it clarified the qualifications to help assure that the board is made up of folks supporting a sustainable business for our community. We finalized our 2019 election and welcome our three returning Board of Directors: Chery Weber, Susan Carter, and Steve Somers. You can learn more about the members of our 2019-2020 Board by checking out their BIODs on our website!

### Annual Report Highlights

While sales were flat, the staff was efficient and creative in assuring that we were able to increase pay rates, keep pricing steady, and create a profit that will help support our expansion and other ongoing improvements.

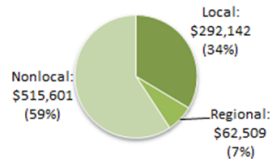


In 2018, 63% of our vendors were considered

to be local which is very good in relation to other coops and stores in Michigan.

Our sales of local and regional products is about 41%.

#### Estimated Purchases From Local Vendors 2018



In 2018 direct support was given to a variety of organizations through food donations, gift baskets for fund



raising auctions, gift cards, or other support for a value of \$2,758.00. We attended many events throughout the year.

As one of our ends states... Ypsilanti has a thriving sense of community with a culture of openness, accessibility and diversity: we report that we continue to support all members of our community. From EBT and Double Up Food Bucks, to offering a variety of food items, to being inclusive in all ways, YFC continues to strive to be a positive influence in our community. We hope you will read the full Annual Report for an update on progress on our Ends. A copy is available at the check out.



**UPDATE: DOUBLE UP Food Bucks IS BACK!!!**

Due to the tremendous demand by SNAP shoppers there was a temporary time out in April and May of 2018, where shoppers were **not** able to earn Double Up Food Bucks. However this has now returned to normal as of June 1st and shoppers **can now earn** Double Up Food Bucks again at the Food Co-op and will be able to spend any Double Up Food Bucks they have earned.

Soon a new loyalty card will be available which lets customers use the card interchangeably at all markets with Double Up Food Bucks. This will transition as soon as the technology becomes available.



## More reasons to celebrate! Ypsilanti Food Coop was Voted Best of Washtenaw 2019

With your votes we were able to take home two titles: Best Natural Food Store *and* Best Local Grocery in the June edition of Best of Washtenaw of *Current Magazine*.

We are truly humbled by the overwhelming support we received from you,

our community to earn these titles.

To help us celebrate our success we will have Jazz on the patio on all summer with special treats at each event! Thank you so much for voting local and supporting the Ypsilanti Food Coop!

**Farmers Markets in 2019**

We will continue to have a both at the Dixboro Market on Fridays from 3 to 7 and Cobblestone on Tuesdays from 4 to 7. While you can buy the products we provide in the store, supporting the market is a great way to support our communities. We sell a good variety of our artisan breads and focaccias made by Connor, and pies and sweets by Summer. We have a great group of staff, Allan, and volunteers, Ed and Regina, this year so if you are in those neighborhoods please stop in and say hi!

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Special Thanks to:

Our Board and all the staff, volunteers and members!