

What is the Chef/Farmer Directory?

The **Chef/Farmer Connection Directory** is designed specifically to build connections between chefs and sustainable farmers in Washington State. The idea for this directory was developed last summer in a meeting between WSU Cooperative Extension and the Seattle chapter of Chefs Collaborative 2000 (CC2000), a group of chefs interested in supporting local and sustainable agriculture. When asked what their biggest challenge was in supporting local agriculture, CC2000 president Matt Costello said that it was being able to find the time to locate Washington farmers who wanted to sell to restaurants. WSU Cooperative Extension then agreed to create a directory to help make that connection. Our hope is that both restaurateurs and farmers will benefit from this publication; restaurateurs will be able to find the freshest, best quality produce available, and farmers can secure a local market, cutting down on transportation and shipping costs.

Thank you very much for choosing to support Washington State farmers!

We hope that the **Chef/Farmer Connection Directory** is helpful to you. If you have questions, comments, or suggestions, please feel free to contact us at WSU Cooperative Extension (360) 740-1295 or milesc@wsu.edu.
*Farmers who are interested in being listed in the next **Chef/Farmer Connection Directory** should send us an email or call the number above.