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City of Summit Announces 2026 Summit Free Market Dates

SUMMIT, NJ, January 6, 2026 – The City of Summit is pleased to announce the 2026 event dates for the Summit Free Market, a unique community initiative designed to encourage sustainability, foster community engagement, and provide resources to residents in need. The Summit Free Market continues to offer residents an opportunity to exchange gently used items at no cost, promoting the reuse of goods while reducing waste.

Event Dates & Details

In 2026, the Summit Free Market will continue to be held on the second Saturday of each month from 8AM to 3PM and on the fourth Friday of each month from 12PM to 2PM at the Municipal Transfer Station located at 40 New Providence Avenue. Please note, the Friday event in November will be held on the third Friday, and there is no Friday event in December.

Provided below is a complete list of the 2026 Summit Free Market events:

- January: 10 and 23
- February: 14 and 27
- March: 14 and 27
- April: 11 and 24
- May: 9 and 22
- June: 13 and 26
- July: 11 and 24
- August: 8 and 28
- September: 12 and 25
- October: 10 and 23
- November: 14 and 20
- December: 12

About the Summit Free Market

The Summit Free Market is a student-led, volunteer-run initiative that promotes the principles of reuse, sustainability, and community sharing. Since its inception in 2008, the Summit Free Market has helped more than 6,000 residents and kept over 175 tons of reusable materials out of the waste stream. The market is open to Summit residents, offering them an opportunity to bring gently used, yard-sale quality items they no longer need and, in turn, take whatever they wish at no cost. The program not only reduces waste but also creates a unique space for the community to connect, share, and support one another.

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How It Works

- **Donate:** Residents bring reusable, yard-sale quality items to share with others.
- **Browse & Take:** Residents may browse the available items and take whatever they wish, free of charge.
- **Sustainability:** The event encourages the reuse of goods, reducing waste, and promoting a circular economy.

Important Information

A Summit resident parking/Transfer Station permit is required to attend the Summit Free Market. Permits are available for purchase [online](#) through the City of Summit [Parking Services Agency](#). The cost for an annual permit is \$10 per vehicle and \$5 for seniors over 62. The permit is annual and is valid from November 1 to October 31.

Guidelines for Participation

- **60-Minute Time Limit:** In order to ensure fair access for all, visitors are limited to 60 minutes per event.
- **No Resellers:** The Summit Free Market is a community exchange event. The resale of items collected at the market is not permitted, in line with the spirit of sharing.

Signs are posted at the Summit Free Market building to remind attendees of these guidelines, and any violations may result in removal from the event to maintain a fair and positive experience for all participants.

More Information

The Summit Free Market is a wonderful opportunity to declutter your home, discover new items, and contribute to the sustainability of our community. Whether you are donating items or finding new ones, your participation supports an important environmental and community-building initiative.

For more information, including [donation guidelines](#) and how to get involved, please visit cityofsummit.org/freemarket.

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