

The City of Ann Arbor

ANN ARBOR GREENBELT PROJECT

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WHAT IS THE GREENBELT REGISTRY PROGRAM?

Have you ever thought about permanently protecting your property, but now is not the right time for your family? Consider signing up for the Greenbelt Registry program.

The Greenbelt Registry Program honors landowners who have been good stewards of their working farmland. This is a non-binding agreement between the City of Ann Arbor and the landowner that does not transfer to future owners. The purpose of registry is to recognize and honor landowners who have voluntarily protected farmland that is important to preserving the rural character within the Greenbelt. Ultimately, these lands could be permanently protected in the future through a conservation easement.

WHAT PROPERTIES ARE ELIGIBLE?

The City of Ann Arbor is committed to helping retain active farmland within the Greenbelt District. Properties that meet the Greenbelt's priorities that would qualify for our land registry program should have one or more of the following characteristics:

- Important farmland based on soil quality, size, location
- Contains woodland
- Contains tributary of Huron River
- Scenic view
- Close to other protected farms

LANDOWNER COMMITMENT

The landowner, by voluntarily agreeing to register their land, agrees to the following:

- Protect the land to the best of their ability
- Notify the City of Ann Arbor Greenbelt staff of any significant changes they are planning or any natural changes that have occurred on their property.
- Notify the City of Ann Arbor Greenbelt staff of any intent to sell the property.

GREENBELT COMMITMENT

In turn, the City's Greenbelt staff will:

- Contact the landowner once a year to discuss any changes to the property.
- Update the landowner on the Greenbelt program accomplishments and happenings in their area.
- Invite landowners to Greenbelt events.

GET INVOLVED

Registrants receive a plaque with an aerial photograph of their property recognizing their commitment to protecting farmland of the region. For more information about the Ann Arbor Greenbelt Registry program, please contact:

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