

**Member Survey and Application**  
**Heart of the Valley Growers' Cooperative**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Farm \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Tell us about your farm, your scale, and what you produce:**

Please submit application to:  
Jeremy Sherer  
Havurah Farm  
8048 Thurston Rd.  
Springfield, OR 97478

Contact:  
Jeremy Sherer  
Membership Committee Chair  
(541) 517-8205  
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**Where would you like your farm to be in five years?**

**Are there any resources / skills you would consider sharing cooperatively?**



## Heart of the Valley Growers' Cooperative Membership Information 2017

**Mission:** To support local farmers, who use practices that respect animals and the environment, with marketing and resources.

**Vision:** Successful farms, providing quality meats to our community.

**About:** Heart of the Valley is a producer-owned cooperative. Members can impact the future of this organization through their representative Board of Directors. We can go as far with this cooperative as the membership wants.

Our entry into 2017 is an exciting moment. We must not question *if* we will grow, but focus on *how* we will grow. Our network is expanding and consumers are just waiting for groups like ours to support. Heart of the Valley Co-op is built to match the demand for high quality local meat raised by producers with values.

**Your involvement is critical.** Your attention and participation in activities like bulk purchasing, information sharing, and committee meetings **will lead to a mature organization built for you, and owned by you.**

### Membership (\$100 for 2017)

#### Member Benefits

- Cooperative marketing of products
- Access wider markets
- Network with other local growers
- Bulk purchasing
- Shared transportation of chicks and feed
- Cold storage potential
- Workshops, mentorship

#### Member Duties Include

- Participate in annual member meeting
- Patronize cooperative on a cooperative basis
- 10 hours co-op service which could include:
  - Participate on a committee
  - Chick transportation
  - Feed runs
  - Sales support

Members will be notified of result of their application after its review by the Membership Committee and submittal to the executive committee. Upon acceptance into the cooperative, producer-owners are asked to submit an annual membership fee of \$100, and presented with Heart of the Valley's cooperative marketing agreement.

For questions related to marketing, sales, and distribution logistics,  
contact Shelley Bowerman, Cooperative Manager:

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