



2017 Illinois Agricultural Legislative Day

Commodity Basket Information

Commodity Baskets - Provide 275 Items

The IALD trademark is the Commodity Basket filled with agricultural products given to state legislators on behalf of the Illinois agricultural commodity organizations and interest groups.

Let's showcase the agriculture, and boost up our efforts to FILL UP the 275 baskets for Illinois' state legislators. Here is an OPPORTUNITY TO TELL the about your organization's role in the world through the items you put in the basket. We ASK EACH GROUP TO BRING THEIR A-GAME, turn on your creative juice and provide item(s) with color, flavor, size, texture, value, use and more...for the baskets. What products complement your organization?

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET IN YOUR BASKET? FILL UP THE COMMODITY BASKETS - IDEAS, TELL the story of what comes from the Illinois fields and farms, **BULK UP** the items in the baskets with **LARGER** packaging, **SUPPLY** fresh, tasty and colorful products, **CONSIDER COOKING** utensils, **GRILLING** utensils with a recipe, **PACKAGE INGREDIENTS** with a delicious **RECIPE**. **AVOID brochures, papers and small items**

ILLINOIS FOOD GUIDE A few ideas to consider - food, food, food. Contact an Illinois company that makes specialty items such as fudge, beef jerky, barbeque sauces, and seasonings for meats, desserts, and snack foods to stick your message and contact information on the item. Search the Illinois Food Guide online at <http://www.agr.state.il.us/markets/mis/index.php> for the listing of Illinois companies that triggers a unique idea to represent your organization.

GIFT BAN ACT

Check out the website below to answer questions on the Gift Ban Act.
<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/pubact90/acts/90-0737.html>

There are 275 bushel baskets to fill. The Illinois FFA members will assemble and deliver the baskets to the state legislators, constitutional officers and staffers.

Basket Items Delivery Instructions (Shipping / Drop-Off)

For your convenience, ship or drop off the items at the Illinois Department of Agriculture by NOON on Wednesday, March 29. The Department staff will transport items received to the south wing of the Capitol.

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IALD
Attention: Karen Fraase
Illinois Department of Agriculture
Illinois State Fairgrounds
801 Sangamon Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702

Questions on delivery of items for baskets
Email Karen.fraase@illinois.gov
Phone 217-785-7799
Fax 217-524-5960

Drop-off Information

Drop off Items for the baskets by noon the day before the event at the Illinois Department of Agriculture Building on the IL State Fairgrounds or bring them to the south wing of the State Capitol the day of the event before 9 a.m.

The Illinois FFA members and Vo-AG teachers assemble and deliver the baskets to the state legislators, constitutional officers and staffers for our commodity groups. Thank you to these generous volunteers for their work! (Go to "Commodity Basket Information sheet for delivery instructions)

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