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City Greens Market announces its GRAND OPENING in the historic Grove neighborhood on May 1st, 2014

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City Greens Market, sponsored by Catholic Charities Community Services—MIDTOWN Center announces its Grand Opening celebration Thursday, May 1, 2014 from 11am to 2pm. Community members are invited to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony to mark the opening of the new location at 4260 Manchester Ave in “The Grove”.

The mission of the CITY GREENS MARKET is to provide naturally-grown produce, meats and other food from local farmers directly to consumers. We source from over

30 local farmers in Missouri and nearby Illinois. Products are sold at cost to foster healthy eating habits and a sense of community. The access to these extraordinary fresh goods that travel 75 miles or less (an average of 2 days) to come to market versus 1500 miles for the average grocery store should encourage families without prior access to healthy food, college students, neighbors, local business and music patrons, and more to take advantage of the fruits, vegetables, milk, eggs, meat, cheese, yogurt and more so handily available.

The market opened in 2009 and members raised more than \$40,000 to move the market to its new location. A grant of \$30,000 from the Brown Sisters’ Foundation, and a \$10,000 donation from UMB Bank enabled the move to the new space in “The Grove.”

The opening celebration kicks off a month of special events at the market. Local Missouri farmers will be on hand to discuss products. Food demonstrations from farmers and chefs, live music and beer tasting are some of the events planned throughout the month.

Contact Michelle Erhard at merhard@ccstl.org or at 314-833-3811 or check the City Greens website at [www. http://midtowncitygreens.org](http://www.midtowncitygreens.org) for more information about the market, the Grand Opening and the ongoing event calendar.