

Fix Bros. Orchard

Hudson, Columbia County NY

Owner: Robert, Gary & David Fix


Background: Fix Bros. Orchard, established 1899, is a fifth generation family operated fruit farm in Columbia County, NY where they grow and sell cherries, peaches, apples and pears.

Crops Donated: Depending on the weather and success of the crop, Fix Bros. Orchard tries to donate every year. When donation is possible, thousands of pounds of fruit, most commonly apples and peaches, make their way to the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. In 2015 alone they donated 36,807 pounds and in 2013, 15,357 pounds.

Collection of Donation Crops: As fruit is processed in the pack house, if it is too big or deemed unsellable, the fruit is set aside in cartons for donation. These cartons are picked up and returned by the Food Bank once the food has been distributed to food pantries throughout the Capital Region. Fix Bros. Orchard is also heavily involved in the Food Bank's BackPack Program which provides hungry children with a backpack of nutritious food for the weekend.



Why donate? Instead of sending excess apples to cider, through donation these apples can go to those who need it most. The Backpack Program has made the Fix family very much aware of the need for healthy food, especially by children.

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