Independent Chief Procurement Office Higher Education

Local Farm and Food Products Report

University Name: Northeastern Illinois University Fiscal Year: 2025

Statutory Background

30 ILCS 595/10(a),(d), and (e) state:

(a) In order to create, strengthen, and expand local farm and food economies throughout Illinois, it shall be the goal of this State that 20% of all food and food products purchased by State agencies and State-owned facilities, including, without limitation, facilities for persons with mental health and developmental disabilities, correctional facilities, and public universities, shall, by 2020, be local farm or food products.

(d) All State agencies and State-owned facilities that purchase food and food products shall develop a system for (i) identifying the percentage of local farm or food products purchased for fiscal year 2021 as the baseline; and (ii) tracking and reporting local farm or food products purchases on an annual basis.

(e) … [T]hose State agencies and State-owned facilities that purchase food or food products shall publish their respective procurement bulletins… notice of their purchases of local farm or food products in the immediately preceding fiscal year.

Report Data

Total dollar value of farm and food products purchased: $0

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Signature

This form has been prepared pursuant to 30 ILCS 595/10(e). I attest that all statements are true and correct.

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University Purchasing Director Signature	Printed Name	Date