



## Annual Deer Harvest Recipient Application

In accordance with the City of Sturgis Municipal Deer Management Plan, a list of potential deer meat recipients is being developed. The deer harvest will take place beginning December 9, 2019 and will end once the allocated number of tags have been filled. All harvesting will be in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SD Game Fish & Parks. Only trained Police Department personnel will be allowed to harvest deer under the guidelines of this program. To qualify as a recipient, you must live within the City of Sturgis.

Application forms are available at the Sturgis Finance Office, the Sturgis Public Library, and on-line on the City website. Not all applicants are guaranteed to receive meat. You can also download this form, fill it out and take it to the Police Department.

### The following options are available:

1. **Entire Animal** - Those recipients agreeing to take an entire carcass will be responsible for all costs associated with processing the animal. Professional processing cost is estimated to be between \$50 and \$95 per animal depending on how you want the meat cut. You will pay the processor direct. It is recommended you call a processor for a more exact quote prior to making application. Recipients can opt to process the animal themselves. Limit of 1 animal per household.

2. **10 lb. Pre-Packaged (frozen)** - If not enough recipients are willing to take entire carcasses, the City will take the animals to the local processor. All meat will be ground into 10 lb. packages. These will be made available to applicants who have indicated this option at no charge (limit 1 per household).

Please indicate your interest in either an entire animal or a 10 lb. package below. Those willing to take an entire carcass will be given preference over those only wanting the 10 lb. pre-packaged ground meat. Any meat processed without a waiting recipient will be taken to the Kiwanis Food Pantry for distribution.

### How the Program works:

Once the harvest begins, the Police Department will contact the first name on the Recipient List to coordinate receipt of the carcass at a centralized location. If a recipient is not able to take delivery of a carcass on the day when called, their name will be moved to the bottom of the list. The likelihood of getting called a second time will depend on the number of recipient applications and the number of deer tags issued by the GF&P for this program. **If you indicate you want a whole carcass, you MUST be able to pay the processing fee when the Police Department representative calls. Individuals may opt to process the animal themselves.**

All fields are required: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please check only one of the following:

I would like to receive an entire adult deer carcass and am able to pay the costs (\$50 - \$95) associated with processing the animal or I am able to process the animal myself.

I am not able to take an entire animal but would like to be notified if a free 10 lb. pre-processed package of ground meat becomes available.