### Essex Street Market History

**1866**
Four street peddlers on Hester Street congregated together to create an open air pushcart market.

**1919**
The City establishes the Department of Public Markets to regulate open-air pushcart markets as peddlers proliferate citywide.

**1934**
Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia vows to clear the streets of pushcarts and build a network of modern indoor markets.

**1940**
Essex Street Market officially opens with 475 stalls across 4 buildings and quickly becomes an important center for food education during wartime shortages.

**1955**
Mayor LaGuardia’s vision for a citywide market network completes with the opening of the 10th public market in Harlem.

**1990s**
Vendors offering shift away from largely Italian and Jewish products to meet the demands of and increasing Latino population in the Lower East Side.

**1995**
New York City Economic Development Corporation commenced a renovation to consolidate tenants into the current Essex Street Market space.

**2017**
Essex Street Market is a diverse, bustling marketplace providing unique opportunities for small businesses and an authentic shopping experience for customers.

**2018**
Essex Street Market moves to brand new facilities on the South side of Delancey at Essex Street.

### New York City’s oldest public food market will soon be the newest.

For more than 75 years, Essex Street Market has been a fixture in Manhattan’s Lower East Side and an important source of affordable products for local shoppers, from Latino and Asian immigrants, to millennials, to restaurateurs.

In June 2018, the Market and its entire family of vendors will move to its new home across Delancey Street. The new Market location is situated within **Essex Crossing**, an unprecedented 1.9 million SF urban renewal development with residential, commercial, and community space. The new market features:

**37,000 SF**
of new Market facility, which will triple the size of the current Market

**3,000 SF**
mezzanine seating area and flexible events space

**Extended Hours**
for late night shopping

**New Demonstration Kitchen**
for catered events and public classes

New York City Economic Development Corporation is actively leasing space in Essex Street Market and is seeking:

**11 new food vendors**
**2 new restaurants**

![Essex Street Market at Essex and Delancey St. (Rendering by Handel Architects.)](image)
Essex Street Market is located in the heart of Lower East Side.

The Lower East Side is a world class destination, with attractions & amenities including:

- 1,400 hotel rooms
- Live music
- Tenement Museum
- Cafes & restaurants
- Open space
- Art galleries

An estimated 740,744 customers will potentially pass through Essex Street Market annually.

The Market is situated directly above the F/D/J/M/Z subway lines, offering Market vendors the opportunity to not only meet the local needs of 80,000 residents and 26,000 workers within half a mile of the site, but also 599,000+ visitors who stay in the neighborhood each night.

Essex Crossing alone will bring an estimated additional workforce of 2,600 people.

* Total number of visitors was estimated based on New York City annual occupancy rate of 80% with average of 1.5 guests per room, for hotels within 0.5 miles of Essex Market.
**Essex Street Market**

**Entrepreneurial Opportunities**

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**Restaurant Space**

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Limited sub-cellar space is available for storage.

**Market Operating Hours***

**General Market**

- 8:00 am - 8:00 pm (MON-SUN)

**After Hours Zone**

- 8:00 am - 11:00 pm (MON-THURS)
- 8:00 am - 12:00 am (FRI-SAT)
- 8:00 am - 8:00 pm (SUN)

* Subject to change.

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*These stalls are located in the after-hours zone.*
“For food lovers, there’s no question where to head when you come out of the Essex St. station on the J line. It’s right into the Essex Street Market.”

New York Daily News, 2017

“The Essex Street Market is one of those New York quintessential types of places—a mix of old Lower East Side and the new, immigrant and hip.”

Serious Eats, 2013

“People from all over the city and even tourists are going to be intrigued by a beautiful new market being built in this neighborhood.”

NY1 News, 2016

“The Essex Street Market is not only a one-stop shop for all of your grocery needs, it has historical and cultural value as well.”

New York Metro Parents, 2016

A public market owned and managed by New York City Economic Development Corporation.

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