Eos Foundation Supports The Food Project's Youth Development and Sustainable Agriculture

Foundation impressed by The Food Project's programs with youth, farms, and food access; \$100,000 grant will support youth development, sustainable agriculture and community engagement programs

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June 9, 2015. Lincoln, MA—The Food Project was chosen for the 15th consecutive year by the trustees of the Eos Foundation to receive a \$100,000 grant. With this support, The Food Project will continue our powerful youth development programs, sustainably manage seven farms throughout the region, and engage with community members to increase food access and food security through our harvests, educational offerings, and resource development in our communities.

"We are truly grateful for the longtime generosity of The Eos Foundation to support our work of empowering youth to build a more just and sustainable food system," says J. Harrison, executive director of The Food Project. "We look forward to continuing this productive partnership."

The mission of the <u>Eos Foundation</u> is to break the cycle of poverty by investing in children's futures. The Eos Foundation is spearheading Breakfast in the Classroom throughout Massachusetts as a powerful tool to fight childhood hunger and improve academic achievement in the classroom. The Eos Foundation is excited to partner with The Food Project in their role as the Massachusetts host site for FoodCorps, a nation-wide team of AmeriCorps leaders who connect kids to real food to help them grow up healthy. The alignment of the missions of The Food Project, the Eos Foundation, and FoodCorps has created a fruitful partnership with positive impact throughout Massachusetts.

To find out how you can support The Food Project's mission to create a thoughtful and productive community of youth and adults from diverse backgrounds who work together to build a sustainable food system, visit: www.thefoodproject.org

The Food Project is one of the largest regional farming and food access organizations in Massachusetts. Since 1991, more than 1,400 youth have participated in our leadership development programs. We farm approximately 70 acres on three suburban farms, four urban farms, and two greenhouses throughout Massachusetts, and distribute our produce through farmers markets, subsidized farm shares, and to hunger relief organizations.

