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Walmart Foundation Supports The Food Project's Sustainable Farms and Youth Programs

Foundation impressed by The Food Project's programs with youth, farms, and food access; \$25,000 grant will support food donations to local hunger relief organizations.

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Lincoln, MA—The Food Project was chosen for the second time as a grant recipient by the trustees of the Walmart Foundation to receive a \$25,000 grant to support the donations of fresh produce to 13 hunger relief organizations. With this support, The Food Project will donate 15,000 pounds of fresh, healthy produce to organizations such as Rosie's Place, Pine Street Inn, and My Brother's Table.

James Harrison, Executive Director of The Food Project said, ““A few years ago, the Walmart Foundation supported The Food Project’s work to incentivize the use of SNAP and WIC food dollars at farmers markets, and we are excited to partner with them again to support our food donations to local hunger relief partners. This grant allows us to grow and distribute thousands of pounds of produce directly from our farms to those who too often go without.”

The Walmart Foundation meets the needs of the underserved by directing charitable giving toward core areas of focus: Hunger Relief & Healthy Eating, Sustainability, Women's Economic Empowerment and Career Opportunity.

This grant is a part of the annual State Giving program that supports Hunger Relief and Healthy Eating. Since 2010, the Walmart Foundation’s Hunger Relief and Healthy Eating program has donated \$260 million to worthy non-profits, like The Food Project, around the country.

The Food Project is grateful for the support of the Walmart Foundation and looks forward to continuing this productive partnership.

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](http://www.thefoodproject.org) is one of the largest regional farming and food access organizations in Massachusetts. Since 1991, more than 1,200 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.

