## The Food Project Receives \$25,000 Grant from Bank of America to Support Healthy Food Access and Youth Development

August 19, 2019—Lincoln, MA—The Food Project would like to share our deep appreciation of Bank of America for their partnership in 2019, including awarding a \$25,000 grant in support of our efforts across youth, food, and community. Bank of America was once again a Presenting Sponsor of this year's Big Shindig held on May 2, 2019, which raised over \$350,000. Thanks to the support of Bank of America, we enjoyed another wonderful summer season of Seed Crew and Root Crew youth working on our farms, serving at hunger relief organizations, running SNAP/HIP accessible farmers markets, and growing as leaders. A long-time community partner, Bank of America employees also volunteer year-round on several of The Food Project's farms through the corporate Serve & Grow program.

"The generous support of Bank of America has continuously enabled our work to transform the food system and grow youth leaders" said Anne Hayes, Executive Director of The Food Project. "Bank of America not only supports our work, they also participate in a hands-on way through providing enthusiastic volunteers to help on our farms each year."

The Bank of America Charitable Foundation is dedicated to investing in local economies and improving quality of life through workforce development and education, community development, and basic social needs such as hunger and homelessness. 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 The Food Project <u>on the web.</u>

## About The Food Project

Since its founding in 1991, The Food Project has grown into a nationally-recognized non-profit organization that works at the intersection of youth, food, and community. For more than 27 years, The Food Project has brought youth and adults from diverse backgrounds together on their farms to produce healthy food for residents of the city and suburbs to build a local and sustainable food system. The organization believes that food is a unique vehicle for creating personal and social change. The Food Project aims to transform our food system into a more just, community-engaged model, that supports food security for all.

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