When reflecting on her summer in Seed Crew, Chelsea P., 17, of Dorchester, said: “During Seed Crew there were a lot of people in my crew who were different from me and lived different lives. Because of this, I’ve learned how to communicate with people who aren’t the same as me.” Chelsea also ended the summer feeling that she was “better equipped” to talk about food systems.
Year in Review 2017-2018

Food Access and Affordability
This year, we saw increased SNAP usage at farmers’ markets, due to the MA state legislature matching funds (up to $80) for purchases of fresh fruit and vegetables. The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) helps low-income working people, senior citizens, the disabled and others by issuing electronic benefits which can be used like cash to purchase food. This year, SNAP offered matching funds when participants purchased fresh produce at farmers’ markets or through a CSA. This new program has almost tripled the use of SNAP at farmers’ markets and we will be adding a winter farmers’ market in Lynn to allow SNAP recipients the ability to purchase fresh vegetables and fruits for more months of the year.

Salad Days
Our Salad Days program is a partnership with the Lynn Public Schools which includes a hands-on seed to fork experience for grade-school children. This year, over 800 students participated in our Salad Days program, trying new foods and learning about gardens. Providing school children with the opportunity to taste, grow and experience freshly harvested food is sometimes the first introduction to local food and farm-fresh vegetables.

Build a Garden Program
We completed our 10th year of building raised-bed gardens in the Dudley neighborhood. This year we built 60 beds in 50 locations, mostly for families, but a few were built for organizations to create shared spaces. To date, we have built over 1000 raised-bed gardens in more than 800 locations. By providing the structure and materials to grow fresh food, we create more food access in low-income communities.

The Big Shindig
Our annual gala, The Big Shindig, honored two TFP alums: Cassandria Campbell and Jackson Renshaw, co-founders of FreshFood Generation who created and run a catering business whose mission is to disrupt food disparities by creating a common food experience. Cassandria and Jackson received The Food Project Leadership Award “for their tireless, innovative work that embodies a deep love of land and people.”

Lynn Grows
In partnership with the Lynn Food and Fitness Alliance, we launched Lynn Grows, which is a group of residents from the City of Lynn with the goal of increasing fresh food accessibility and affordability and to help city residents make healthy decisions about food choices. There will be 25 stakeholders from the City of Lynn who are invested in changing the local food system. Initial areas of interest include school food, food education, access, affordability, gardens and local food business.
Financial Review

You make this important work happen through your financial support. Building community-engaged models of food system change takes time and effort, yet the lasting impact of these models is invaluable. Your support means that this is your work across youth, food, and community. Thank you.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY

2018 Fiscal Year

REVENUE
Donations 2,385,344
Food Sales 347,854
Investments 97,056
Event Tickets, Raffles & Auctions 51,117
Programs & Training Material 14,175
TOTAL REVENUE $2,895,546

EXPENSES
Youth Development 1,491,146
Suburban Farming 609,344
Urban Farming & Community Agriculture 565,069
Volunteer & Outreach 445,713
Food Access 149,881
TOTAL EXPENSES $3,261,153

Data is represented on an accrual basis and based on audited financial statements. Indirect costs are allocated to program areas based on the size of each program.
Donor Support

Thank you for keeping us growing strong. We appreciate each and every donor who supported us during the 2018 fiscal year, from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018. You make us grow stronger, deepen our roots, and catalyze positive change in our communities.

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and vegetables harvested

212,000
pounds of fresh fruits
and vegetables harvested

279,000
servings of fresh fruits and vegetables
distributed through
hunger relief organizations or low cost
farmers markets

210,000
servings of fresh fruits and vegetables
distributed through
CSA shares

FOOD

72
acres of sustainably
farmed land

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of farmers’ market sales
new raised bed gardens
made through state or
Greater Boston helped
volunteers from
60%
community
“Salad Days.”
76
900
students in Lynn Public School participated in “Salad Days.”
76%
of farmers’ market sales made through state or federal subsidies
1775
new raised bed gardens built in Boston and Lynn
76
volunteers from
companies around Greater Boston helped out on the farms
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