

# Boston Area Gleaners 2021 Season Impact Report

Fiscal Year 2022: April 1st, 2021 to March 31st, 2022



# A Year in Review



There was plenty going on to keep us busy in 2021, but we did not slow down our efforts to break down barriers and improve our food system. Thanks to your tremendous support, we purchased Stonefield Farm in Acton, MA, which has allowed us to expand our operations and get more food to where it is needed most.



**4.5 million lbs** distributed:  
**3.4 million lbs** distributed for hunger relief  
**1.1 million lbs** sold to local food businesses and institutions  
**132** collaborating partners, including farms, agencies and businesses committed to local food

At our new home, we are better positioned to serve the regional food system by supporting farmers, meeting the immediate needs of people who lack access to affordable, healthy food while addressing the systemic causes of food insecurity.



# Gleaning and Hunger Relief



Our volunteers contributed thousands of hours in the field and on the pack line to ensure surplus farm produce made it onto the plates of people in our community.

**810** volunteers  
**7,000** hours  
**380,000 lbs** gleaned  
produce  
**51** farm partners

With your help, we continue to partner with local food programs and frontline agencies to break down barriers and improve the food system at the intersection of farming, food waste, and hunger relief.

“I am always amazed at the quality of produce that is delivered and so appreciative of all the hard work that goes into getting it to us. Produce is at the center of what we do and it is the hardest thing to keep on top of when storage is at a premium.”

**-Susan Dorson**  
**Program Manager, Arlington EATS**

## Trucking Partnerships

Thanks to our fleet of **7 trucks and 1 tractor trailer**, we were able to transport **1.3 million lbs** of food on behalf of our **41 hunger relief partners** located across the state.



# Recipient Agencies

As we continue to build long-term relationships for gleaning, growing, and distribution with farmers and major hunger relief agencies, we are increasing the local food supply and reducing food insecurity in Eastern Massachusetts.

## **DISTRIBUTION PARTNERS**

CCF Ministries  
Fair Foods  
Food for Free  
Food Link  
Lynn Salvation Army  
New Entry Sustainable Farming Project, Food Access Program  
North Parish People's Pantry  
Rose's Bounty Food Pantry  
UTEC

## **KITCHENS & MEAL PROGRAMS**

Bristol Lodge Soup Kitchen  
Colony Retirement Homes  
Haley House Soup Kitchen  
Watertown Community Fridge

## **OTHER**

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church  
United Church of Christ  
Congregational

## **LOCAL FOOD PROGRAMS**

A Place To Turn  
Arlington EATS  
Beverly Bootstraps  
Brazilian Worker Center  
Bristol Lodge Soup Kitchen  
Burlington Food Pantry  
Centre St. Food Pantry  
Chelsea Salvation Army  
Community Servings  
Daniel's Table  
Family Table JFCS  
FAVOR  
Haven From Hunger  
Health Leads Boston  
Healthy Waltham  
HEET  
Hope's Harvest  
Lazarus House  
Lexington Food Pantry  
Mystic Valley YMCA  
Project Soup  
Rounding The Bases  
Stow Food Pantry  
Sudbury Community Food Pantry  
The Salem Pantry  
Watertown Food Pantry

"The reliable source of abundant high quality, local produce from the Gleaners helps us to create a broad safety net for the families experiencing food insecurity in our community."

- Kate Benashski  
Program Director, Citizen's Inn

# Farm Partners



Applefield Farm  
Appleton Farms  
Autumn Hills Orchard  
Barker's Farmstand  
Barrett's Mill Farm  
Box Mill Farm  
Brigham Farm  
Brookdale Fruit Farm  
Brooksby Farm  
Brookwood Community Farm  
Busa Farm and Market  
Carlson Orchards  
Cathy Jahrling Orchard  
Circle B Farms  
Comfort's Cultural Produce  
Community Harvest Project  
Cucurbit Farm  
Dick's Market Garden

Dowse Orchards  
Eustis Estate  
Fair Foods  
Farmer Dave's  
Food for Free  
Foppema's Farm  
Freight Farm  
Garland Food  
Gove Farm  
Hannan Agro Farm  
Honey Pot Farm LLC  
Joe Czajkowski Farm  
Kenney Farm  
Kimball Fruit Farm  
LaJoie Growers  
Land's Sake Farm  
Lexington Community Farm  
Littleton Community Farm

Lynn-Ette & Sons Inc.  
Newton Community Farm  
Oxford Farm  
Plainville Farm  
Powisset Farm  
Red Fire Farm  
Shady Corner Farm  
Siena Farms  
Small Farm  
Swazlowski Potato Farm  
The Blueberry Farm  
The Food Project  
The Neighborhood Farm  
Upswing Farm  
Valley Spud  
Verrill Farm  
Ward's Berry Farm  
Westward Orchards

"Every farmer knows there's a certain amount of crop that you just can't afford to harvest. I can't send my staff to go and pick it, but the Gleaners can pick it up. Most of all, there's satisfaction in knowing this crop is going to people who need it."

**-Ray Mong  
Applefield Farm**

# Boston Food Hub



Since its inception in 2021, Boston Food Hub has been successfully connecting local farmers in need of markets with buyers that value local food and nutrition. Partnerships have grown to include food banks, wholesalers, food access organizations, processors, institutions, farms, and local businesses.

By meeting the resource and capacity needs of local farmers, from sales and marketing to storage and distribution, we are increasing local growing opportunities and make farming more viable in Massachusetts.

**1.6 million** pounds of fresh produce sourced from **27** local farms reaching **40** unique customers

**\$391,000** in revenue to our farm partners



“Boston Area Gleaners have been a huge help to our farm. We have had difficulty marketing our winter squashes and the Food Hub has helped make connections and find markets for our product. Without them, our field would have gone to waste. We have also benefited from the Food Hub’s resources, as they have purchased and distributed our corn to a much wider market than we could ever reach.”

**-Eric Nelson  
Cucurbit Farm**

# Boston Food Hub Partners



## **LOCAL FOOD BUSINESSES**

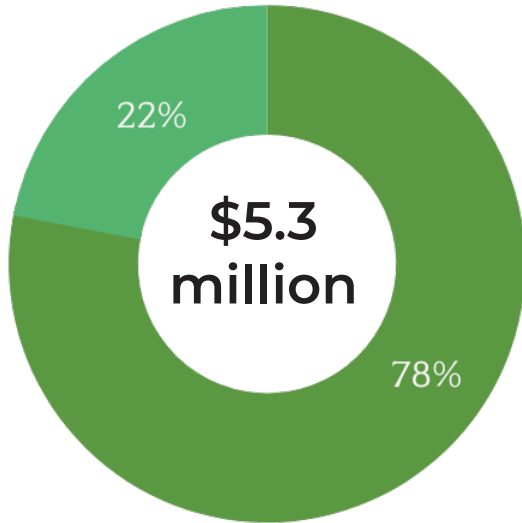
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Fresh Food Generation  
Grant Stanton  
Health Leads Boston  
JW Lopes  
Idylwilde Farm  
Jones Farm  
Katsiroubas Bros  
Land's Sake Farm  
Mae Asian Eatery  
Medway Community Farm  
Mei Mei  
Nan's Rustic Kitchen & Market  
Neighborhood Produce  
Northeastern University  
Oscar's Burritos  
Pizza Express  
Pond View Gardens  
Rota-Spring Farm  
Russo's  
Scimone's Farm  
Stow House of Pizza  
Walden Woods

## **FOOD BANKS**

Greater Boston Food Bank  
New Hampshire Food Bank

# Financials

## Sources of Funds

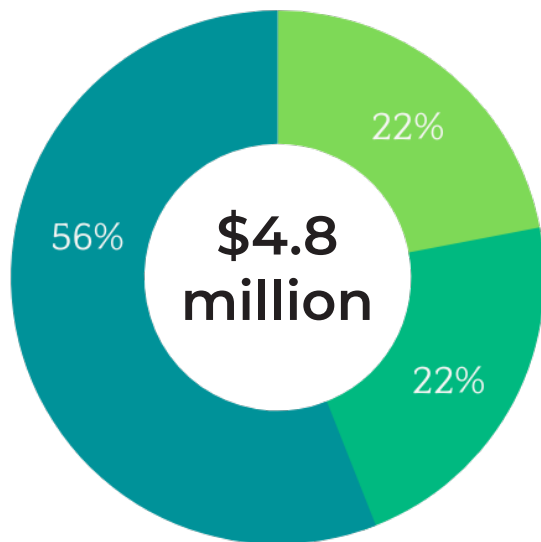


- Grants and Contributions
- Earned Revenue

We could not accomplish our work without our organizational and individual funders. Thank you!

Total In-Kind Donations:  
**\$2,089,649**

## Uses of Funds



- Farm Purchase
- Compensation
- Program





# Funders



Adelard A. &  
Valeda Lea Roy  
Foundation

BrooklineBank



Frederick E.  
Weber Charities  
Corporation



Johnson Family  
Foundation



Krupp Family  
Foundation



The Ludcke  
Foundation

The Mabel Louise  
Riley Foundation



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