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A letter from our Executive Director



As I watched things unfold in our food system in 2021, I garnered an even deeper understanding of the importance of supporting our local food sources. For decades, most believed that outsourcing production was the key to success. That strategy may have worked for a while in that companies that honed their supply chains saw their costs drop and profits rise. Then came COVID-19. It exposed the downside of these far away supply chains. We saw shortages in our homes. When the pandemic first hit, factories closed and many companies and farmers let inventories dwindle to avoid being stuck with unsold goods. But when consumer demand surged in 2021 as vaccines became available, we found ourselves short on goods: chicken, corn, etc. Even if supplies were abundant, labor was in short supply. Backups at ports around the world further complicated matters. The supply chain disruptions caused by COVID-19 contributed to a worldwide surge in inflation, which may linger for years. This makes what we do at Farm to Pantry even more important, as we offer helping hands to our local farmers, connect hungry families with their surplus and link-up marginalized Sonoma County residents to local organizations that can provide additional support services in trying times.

With all of our work in getting Sonoma County residents vaccinated, I was disheartened to see the virus mutating and continuing to take lives. I don't give up. This quote from Dale Carnegie drives me: "Most of the important things in the world have been accomplished by people who have kept on trying when there seemed to be

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no hope at all." It is all of you that keep me motivated... the Farm to Pantry family—the donors, the volunteers, the team, and the property owners who always show up and remind me that I am surrounded by positive people that want to help. And together, we keep moving, keep helping and exceeding our goals, which seemed almost impossible, given the fact that we had a 400% load increase in 2020! I am so honored to be a part of this organization that is small yet does BIG work.

Thank you for making me the most proud and grateful Executive Director in Sonoma County and for making sure no one goes hungry in an abundant Sonoma County.

-Duskie Estes



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STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2022 & BEYOND

We gathered the Farm to Pantry Board of Directors and the team to revamp our mission and vision to guide our plan for the coming years.

MISSION:

To bring together our communities to end food injustice and reverse global warming by rescuing and sharing locally-grown food with those who have been marginalized.

VISION:

For a just food system in which everyone has access to healthy food that honors and nourishes our community and heals the planet through eliminating waste.

WHY IT MATTERS

FEED PEOPLE HEALTHY FOOD

Farm to Pantry combats hunger by being the bridge between the farms and properties with excess produce and marginalized families. We mobilize a strong community of volunteer gleaners to harvest and distribute the County's abundance. We create multilingual recipes, which make unfamiliar foods less intimidating and increase the chances of them landing on the family table rather than in the trash can.

STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY

We seek to lead our community with a deeper understanding and keen awareness of our part in a more just food system. We honor, dignify and empower our community in promoting inclusion and long-lasting change.

COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE

In the US, 40% of the food produced is wasted and food waste is responsible for 8% of greenhouse gas emissions. We make the most impact on global warming prevention by rescuing food, rather than letting it go to waste. Additionally, we support farmers who care for the planet and we are a resource on food waste reduction and composting.

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ADVOCACY & SYSTEM CHANGE

Having access to the nutritious produce that grows here should be a right, not a privilege. Farm to Pantry ensures access to good food for all. We advocate for equitable land access for all to grow their own food and are a trusted voice for food system reform.

In 2021, 350,000 pounds of produce was rescued instead of wasted. Food waste creates greenhouse gas emissions.



What F2P rescued is equivalent to sparing the air of emissions from driving around the world more than 36 times.



Or taking 78.5 cars off the road for a year



Or the emissions from 43.5 homes for a year



Or the carbon sequestered by 442 acres of national forest over a year



"If you haven't shared a morning gleaning with Farm to Pantry in Sonoma County, now is the time!"

-Max Caruso, F2P Volunteer Gleaner

POWER IN NUMBERS



the total pounds rescued was

 $353,\!677$

OVER 1.4 million servings!

and since inception in 2008, over 4 million servings

F2P volunteers delivered

5,597

FEED Sonoma

CSA boxes

80

Sonoma County FARMERS were paid \$167,910

FOR THESE PRODUCE BOXES



We are 500 gleaners, 400 growers, 100 community partners, 350 givers



50,000 lbs of apples this year



275 volunteers

on 150 properties

They were delivered FRESH and became

 $12,\!480$ jars of APPLESAUCE for the Redwood Empire Food Bank



a HARD CIDER that is available on tap and in can at GOLDEN STATE CIDER TAPROOM











GRATITUDE FOR GIVERS

Thank you to our 353 total donors in 2021! We welcome the 209 new donors to the Farm to Pantry family.

Farm to Pantry Perennials commit to supporting us in an ongoing way, monthly or annually. This helps us budget into the future and ensures our sustainability. When we can count on your support all year long and into the future, it allows us to dedicate more time to serving those in need, rather than focusing on fundraising efforts.

You can become a perennial by going to www.farmtopantry.org: hit the "Givers" button and select "recurring donation," where you will have the option to select either monthly or annually.

Thank you to our most generous Perennials!

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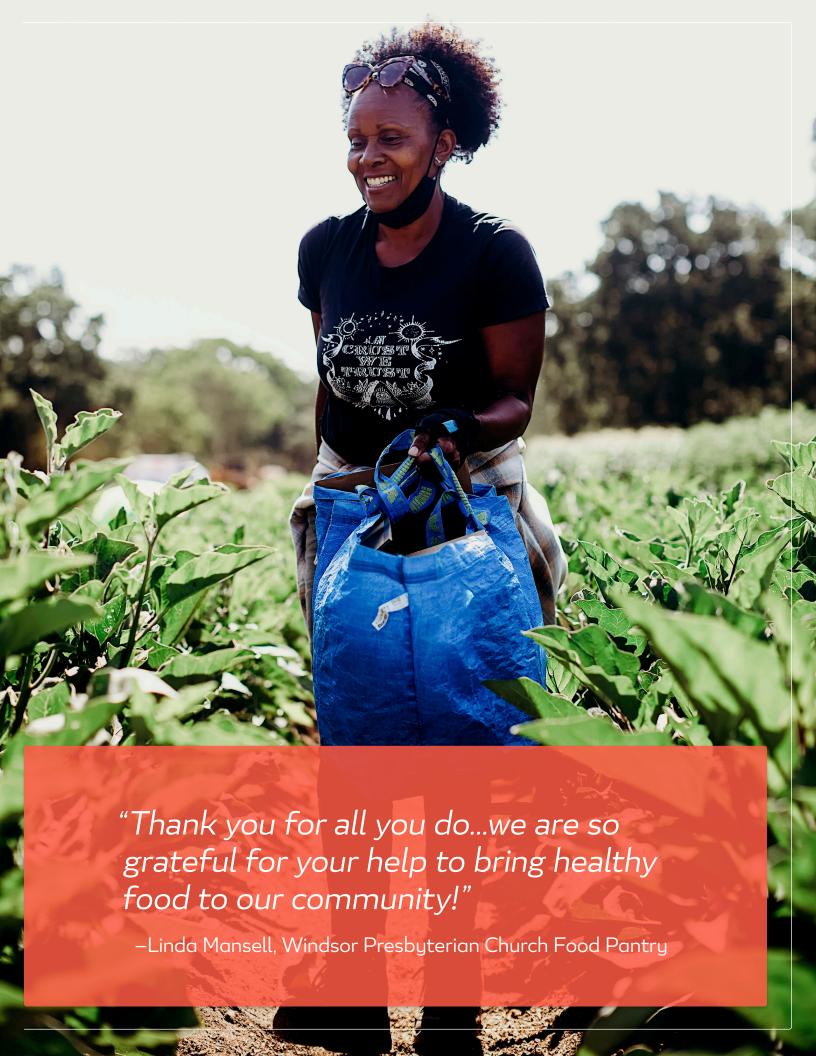
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AND all our property owners!





We shared our harvest with these community partners

Acts Of Kindness, Adele Harrison Middle, Sonoma, Alliance Medical Center, Barlow RV Community, Bayer Farm, Burbank Housing (30+ locations in Healdsburg, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, & Windsor), Calistoga Cares Food Pantry, Castle Child Care, Catholic Charities & Sam Jones Hall, Ceres Community Project, COTS, Petaluma, Cloverdale Food Pantry, Cloverdale Family Apartments, Cool School Tutoring/After School, Corazon, Council on Aging, Cura, ELIM Church Food Pantry, Petaluma, Elisha's Pantry, Fetters/Celestina Apartments, Sonoma, Fircrest Mobile Home Park, FISH Food Pantry, Fitch Mountain After School Care, Food for Thought, Geyserville Food Pantry, Graton Day Labor Center, Healdsburg Distance Care, Healdsburg Food Pantry, Healdsburg High School Culinary, Healdsburg Senior Center, HES City of Healdsburg After School Program, Independent Childcare Services (18 locations), La Familia Sana, La Luz, Lideres Campesinas, The Living Room, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Monte Rio, North Bay Children's Center / Fitch Mountain Preschool, Oak Grove Apartments, Ortiz Plaza, Reach for Home, Redwood Empire Food Bank, Redwood Gospel Mission, Rosenburg Apartments, Salvation Army, Santa Rosa Boys & Girls Club, SCBF Food Drive, Sebastopol Food Pantry, Sebastopol Interchurch Food Pantry, Sonoma Applied Village Services - SAVS, Sonoma Family Meal, SOS Sonoma, St. Helena Community Pantry, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, St. Vincent De Paul, Trinity Baptist Church, Analy High Culinary, Windsor 4C's, Windsor Boys and Girls Club, Windsor Presbyterian Church Food Pantry, and MORE















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EDIBLE MARIN & WINE COUNTRY Features the Work of Farm to Pantry



MASSICAN MAGAZINE

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Duskie Estes Talks About Farm to Pantry and Food Justice



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Nonprofits are eliminating food waste while tackling the hunger crisis brought on by destruction from wildfires and pandemic-driven unemployment.

By <u>Lauren Katims</u> Feb. 5, 2021

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Features Farm to Pantry and Growing the Table



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Highlights Farm to Pantry's Olive Oil

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"the FEED BINS program literally saved the farm"

–Sarah Silva Green Star Farm, Sebastopol





SUMMER SUPPER & GROWING THE TABLE

Summer Supper 2021 was an amazing gathering for good. With over 150 attendees we were able to raise over \$250,000 including our paddle raise of \$100,000 for more Growing the Table food boxes purchased from FEED SONOMA, a co-op of over 80 Sonoma County farmers. This allowed us to share 62 boxes every week for a year with families in need. Thank you to all our Summer Supper sponsors, volunteers, and guests!

















Sonoma County has more than sufficient resources to feed our community. No one should go hungry. We "just" need to connect the bounty to families without access to it.

-Duskie Estes, Executive Director



THANK YOU TO ALL OUR GIVERS, GROWERS AND GLEANERS!

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