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### **Memo:** 2021 Community Food Access Grants Funding Recommendation

**Date:** Tuesday, March 9, 2021

**To:** Madison Food Policy Council

**From:** George Reistad, Business Development Specialist – Food Systems

Members of the Madison Food Policy Council (MFPC), below are the 2021 Community Food Access Grants (CFA) recipients as recommended by grant reviewers from the Madison Food Policy Council and Dane County Food Council. Twelver organizationally and geographically diverse applications were recommended for funding via a thorough deliberation process that included seven distinct review teams to score and evaluate proposals and separate meetings of each of the three work groups of the MFPC (below) to make budgetary recommendations:

- Food Access, Relief, and Economic Support
- Food Systems Recovery and Resilience
- Regional Agriculture and Food Sovereignty

Please note that 43 applications were received, requesting \$834,485 and that the CFA Grants funding authority is \$150,000 in 2021. This represents a request that exceeds available funding at a 5.5:1 ratio, meaning that we cannot fund every application received.

#### **FOSTER Food Access: Strengthening Food Security in Tumultuous Times, *FOSTER of Dane County, Inc.***

- Up to \$16,100 to fund:
  - Program Coordinator
  - Bulk goods purchases
  - Supplemental grocery cards
- **Based in Alder District 19 (Keith Furman)**

#### **Refrigeration Solution for Elver Park Neighborhood Center Food Pantry, *Elver Park Neighborhood Center (WI Youth Company, Inc)***

- Up to \$8,000 to provide funding for refrigeration equipment to expand food pantry capacity
- **Based in Alder District 1 (Barbara McKinney)**

#### **Goodman's TEENWorks teens partnering with the Fritz Food Pantry for Improved Community Food Access, *Irwin A. & Robert D. Goodman Community Center, Inc.***

- Up to \$14,008 to fund TEENWorks students
- **Based in Alder District 6 (Marsha Rummel)**

#### **FUMC – Joint COVID-19 Agency/Organization Homeless Street Outreach Teams Food & Toiletries, *First United Methodist Church Foundation, Inc.***

- Up to \$11,604 to fund meal bags for homeless clients
- **Based in Alder District 2 (Patrick Heck)**

**Healthy Food For All Gleaning Project Expansion, *Healthy Food For All (Madison Northside Planning Council, Inc.)***

- Up to \$13,520 to fund the expansion of HFFA's gleaning program
- **Based in Alder District 12 (Syed Abbas)**

**Farms2Families/ De Granjas A Familias Resilience Box Initiative, *REAP Food Group, Inc***

- Up to \$15,000 to fund food boxes, support personnel, and rental space
- **Based in Alder District 6 (Marsha Rummel)**

**Nuestro Mundo Community School Mobile Food Pantry, *Nuestro Mundo, Inc.***

- Up to \$8,175 to fund food and equipment purchases and rentals
- **Based in Monona, but is an MMSD Instrumentality Charter School, with a dual-language immersion program, serving predominantly students from the City of Madison**

**Community Leadership of Community Gardens: Supporting small-scale growers and garden organizers during COVID-19, *Rooted WI, Inc.***

- Up to \$13,435 to fund personnel, organizer stipends, and interpretation/translation costs
- **Based in Alder District 12 (Syed Abbas)**

**Neighborhood Food Solutions – South Madison Farmers Market Operation and Training Expansion, *Neighborhood Food Solutions, Inc.***

- Up to \$13,345 to fund personnel and equipment
- **Based in Fitchburg, but mainly serves South and Southwest Madison via the South Madison Farmers Market**

**Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center's Food Program, *Vera Court Neighborhood Center, Inc.***

- Up to \$21,875 to fund program costs
- **Based in Alder District 14 (Sheri Carter)**


**Little John's Interim Kitchen, *Little John's Restaurant, Inc.***

- Up to \$5,238 to fund kitchen space rental and equipment
- **Based in Fitchburg but serves all of Dane County, with a focus on the City of Madison**

**Darbo Pantry Project Engagement and Communications Initiative, *Darbo Pantry Project (Madison Northside Planning Council, Inc.)***

- Up to \$9,610 to fund program costs
- **Based in Alder District 6 (Marsha Rummel)**

Sincerely,



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