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ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2020

Northwest Food Coalition

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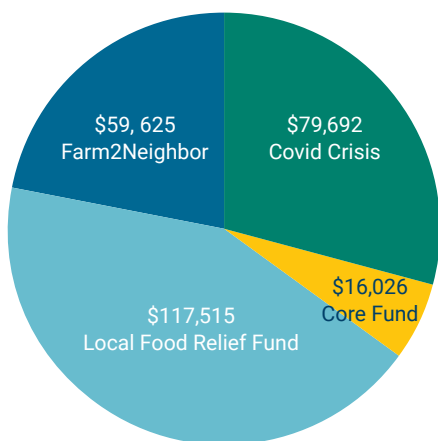
Overview

- Unincorporated coalition of 70 food pantries, meals sites and baby pantries in six county area
- All volunteer leadership (Operating Committee)
- Fiscal and business services provided by NMCAA
- Donations received under NMCAA 501c3
- Coordinators services (Food Coalition and Purchasing) provided by two partner organizations (Goodwill Food Rescue and Groundwork Center for Resilient Communities)

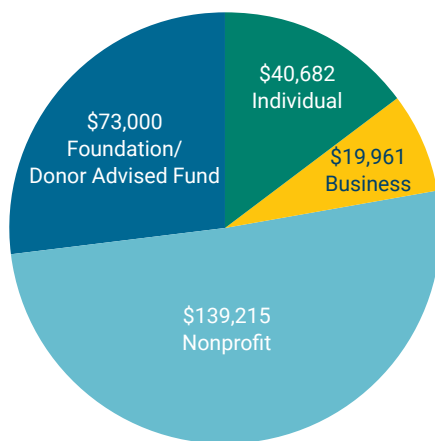
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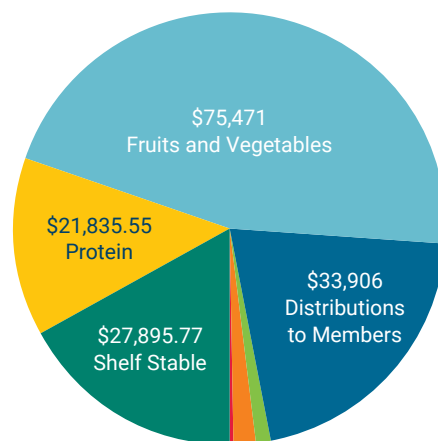
\$272,858 Donations



\$272,858 Sources of Funds

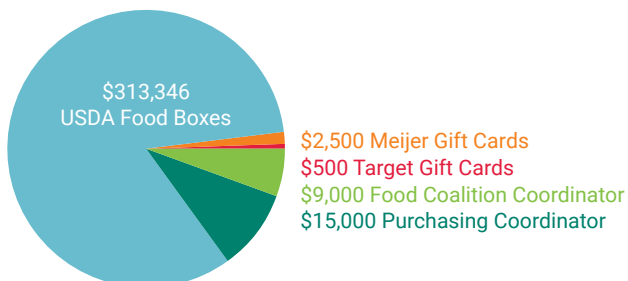


\$164,085 Uses of Funds

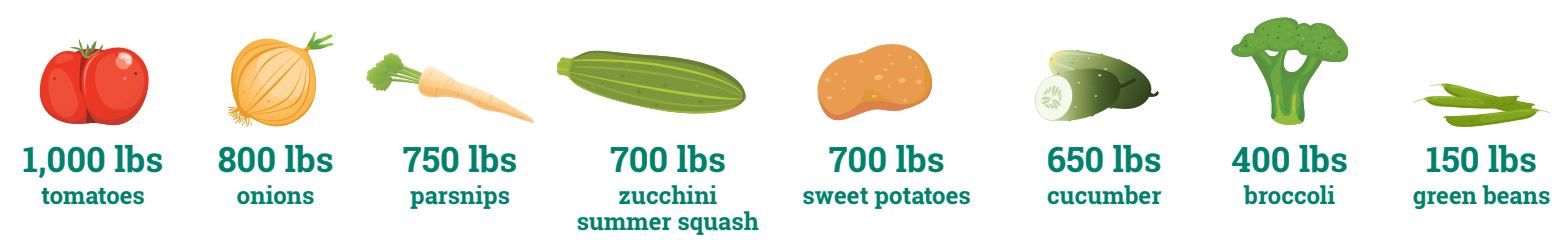


\$287.88 Baby Formula
\$2,840 Administrative
\$1,484.40 Prepared Meals

\$340,346 Inkind Donations



Produce Purchased in 2020



Farm2Neighbor was founded in 2018 to address leverage points in the system map “to help food insecure clients meet their nutritional needs.”

The complete system map and ripple map can be viewed online at northwestmifoodcoalition.org/farm2neighbor

Program Goals

- **Improve access of healthy food** for pantry clients
- **Support the local farm economy** through purchases of local produce
- **Provide education on nutrition and cooking** of local foods

2020 Accomplishments

- Farm2Neighbor distributed 20,455 lbs of local produce from 5 farms. This was an increase of 25% from 2019.
- Farm2Neighbor received directly, or was part of, several grants that supported the scale up and operations of the Farm2Neighbor program. Grants underwrote salaries of the Food Coalition Coordinator, the Purchasing Coordinator, and the warehousing and distribution of food by partner Food Rescue.
- The work to scale up the Farm2Neighbor program was key to creating systems for a resilient response to the pandemic for members. The infrastructure established by Farm2Neighbor made possible the food purchase and distribution from the successful fundraising campaign by Groundwork Center for Resilient Communities, called the Local Food Relief Fund.

Farm2Neighbor Impact

In 2020, MSU Extension facilitated a Ripple Map analysis of the Farm2Neighbor program. Feedback from appreciative inquiry surveys and two focus group meetings revealed that the creation of the Farm2Neighbor program was transformative in several areas as outlined on the next two pages.

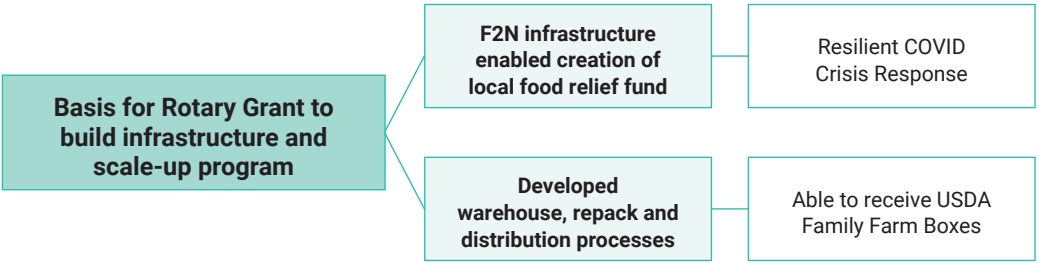


“The relationship with the food coalition has literally been a life saver for Second Spring Farm, and I am grateful and honored to work with you all.”

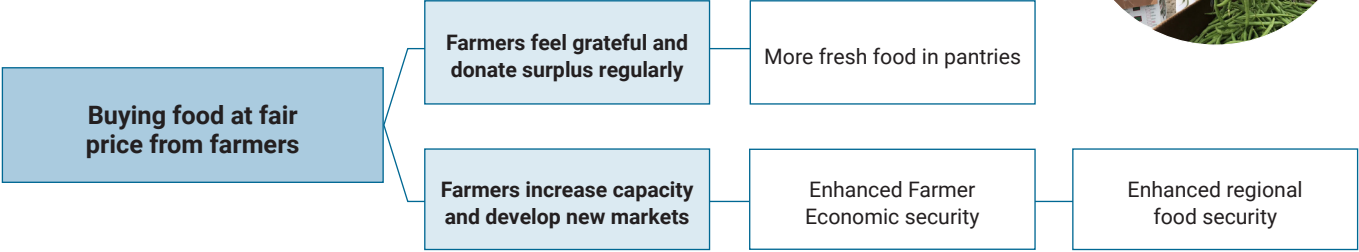
– Reid Johnston, Second Springs Farm

NFC Purchased \$25,000 from Second Spring Farm roughly split between the Farm2Neighbor Fund and the Local Food Relief Fund in fiscal year 2020

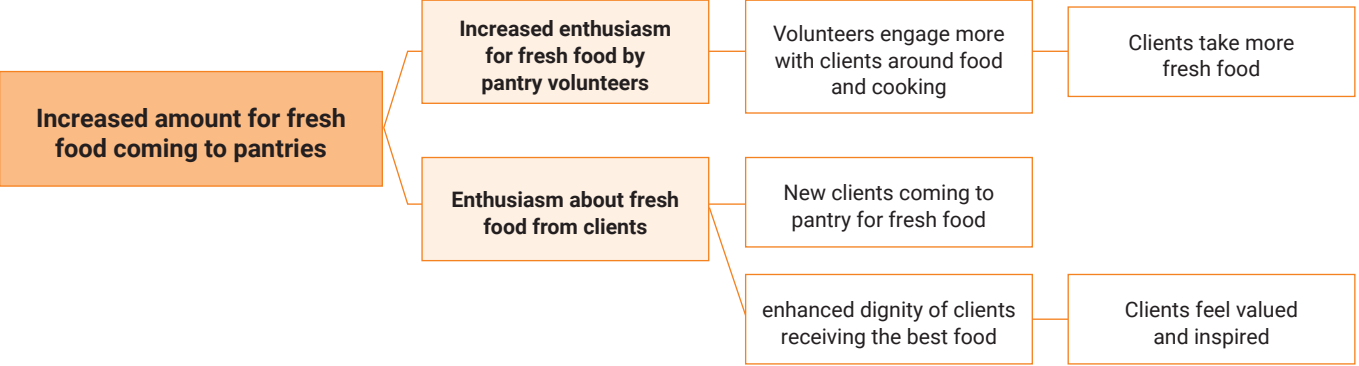
Developing Physical Infrastructure



Supporting Farmers



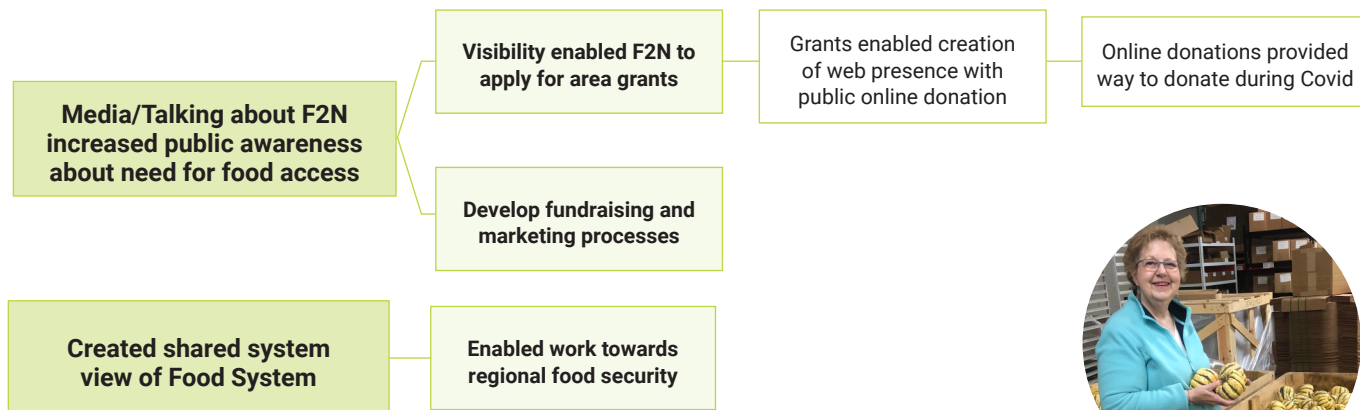
Improving Health



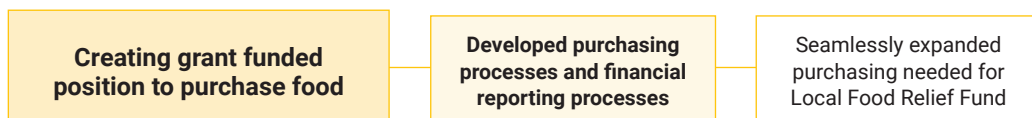
Providing Education on Food



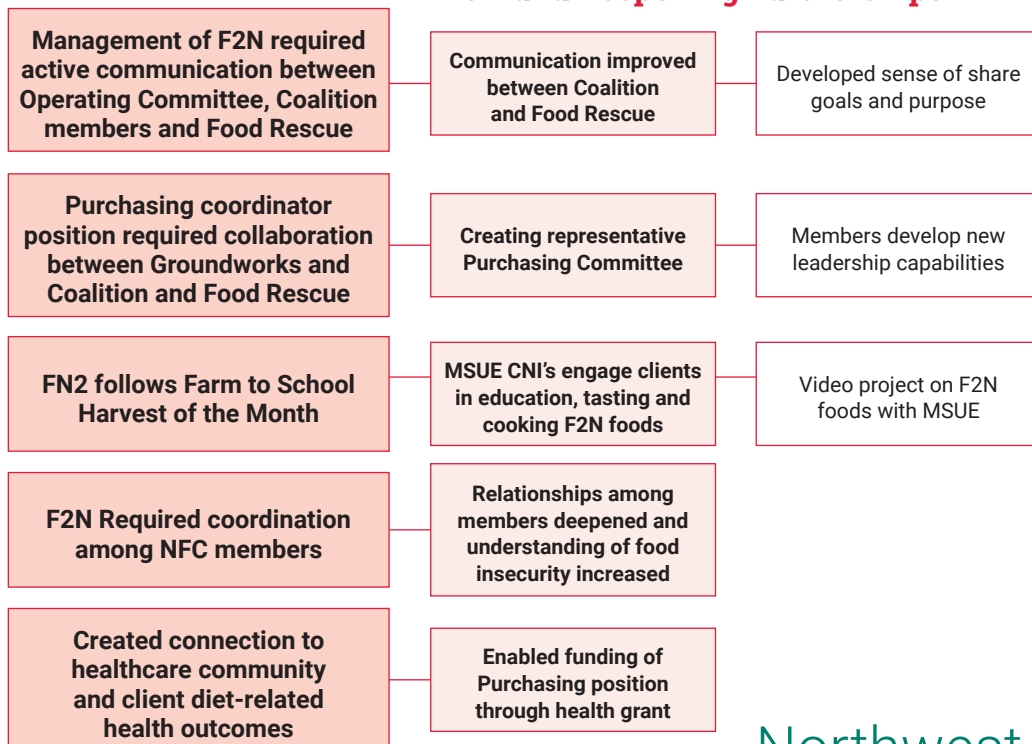
Increasing Visibility and Understanding



Developing New Capabilities



New and Deepening Partnerships



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