



HEALTHY FOOD FOR DENVER'S Kids

City Council Safety Committee Presentation

August 2, 2023

Presentation Overview

- What is Healthy Food for Denver's Kids (HFDK)?
- Contract Process
- Current Grants Requiring Approval
- Financials
- Request of 22 Bills/Resolutions for Approval

What We Know: Child Food Insecurity

Crucial growth and development is occurring during childhood.

Diet quality and food access vary by race, age and neighborhood.

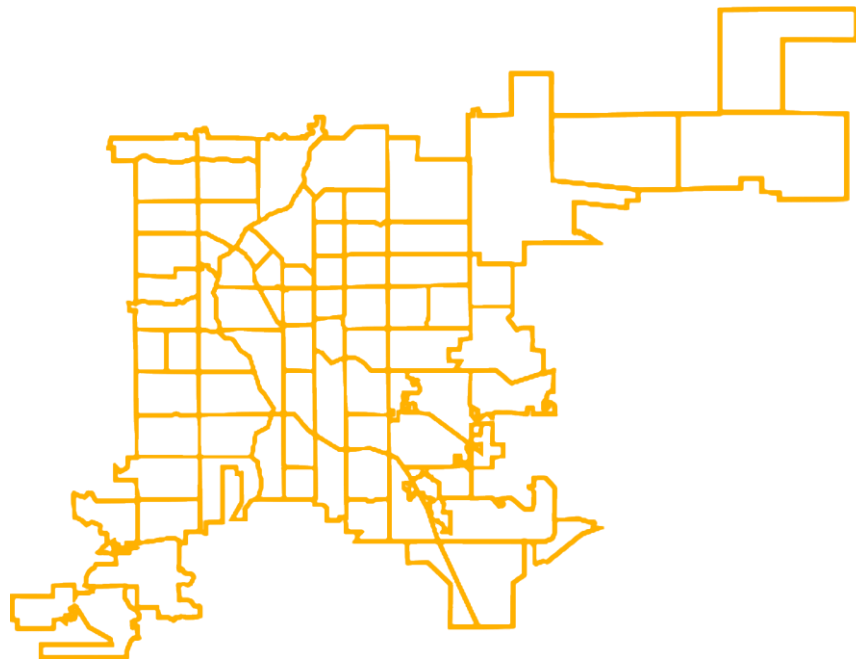


State of Child Food Insecurity in Denver

Federal food assistance programs are not often reaching children who need it most.

Child food insecurity at 16.8% in 2020 (**about 1 in 6 kids**) [1].

[1] [Feeding America, Map the Meal Gap](#)





What is HFDK?

- Resident-led ballot measure (302) approved by Denver voters in November of 2018.
- Provides a 10-year funding stream from taxes to invest in Denver's low-income and under-served youth.



7,237,767

Meals served



5,042,584

Pounds of food distributed to youth and families



54,572

Pounds of food harvested from Local Gardens/Farms



16,514

Individuals enrolled in Federal Nutrition Assistance Programs (SNAP & WIC)



2,004,594

Pounds of food distributed to partners



34,911

Children and youth that participated in food classes or workshops



5,355

Total instruction hours for food/nutrition education

HFDK Commission

- 13-members
 - 3 city leaders
 - 2 members of City Council
 - 4 residents of the city
 - 4 representatives of city-wide organizations or institutions involved in food

DDPHE is the operational support for HFDK and implements Commission decisions.





Who is Eligible for Funding?

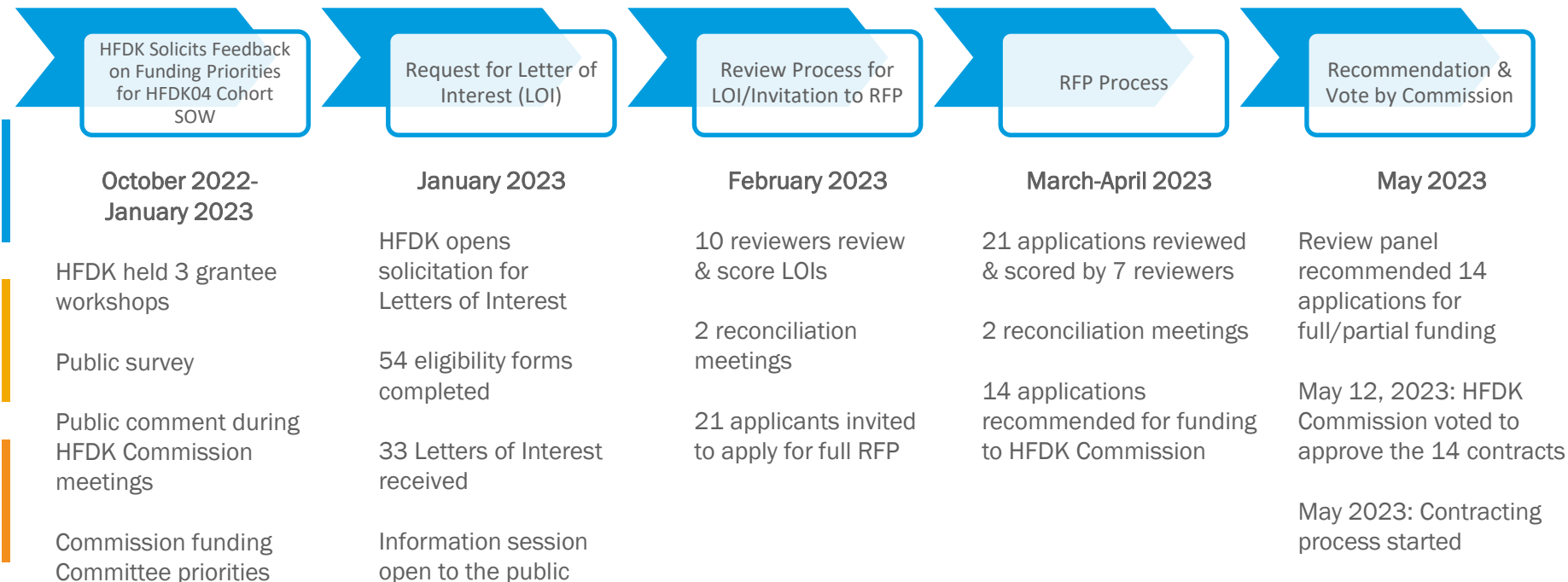
- Non-profits, public schools (+DPS) and Denver city agencies through competitive grantmaking processes. Funding can provide programming like:

- Healthy meals and snacks
- Classes on nutrition, cooking, wellness, gardening, and food justice
- Free food distribution, including mobile food markets
- School food pantries

HFDK Timeline

2018	Voters approved ballot measure 302
2019	HFDK Commission seated & meeting, hiring staff, set first funding goals
2020	First RFP released (“HFDK01”) and 25 grantees selected, plus COVID-19 emergency hunger relief grants
2021	• Second RFP released (“HFDK02”) and 20 new projects approved • City Council approves proposed DRMC changes for expanded funding eligibility criteria and greater commission inclusion
2022	• Third RFP released (“HFDK03”) focused on early childhood and federal nutrition programs • Commission approves 12 HFDK03 new contracts and extensions for HFDK01 and HFDK02 contracts
2023	• Fourth RFP released (“HFDK04”) focused on collaboration • Commission approves 14 HFDK04 new contracts and extensions for HFDK02 contracts • Total awards \$65M for 95 organizations

2023 Contract Process for HFDK04



2023 Amended Contract Process

Amended Contracts (HFDK02 cohort)

- HFDK02 contracts are a 1-year term, with up to two additional years of extension.
- March 2023: current grantees submitted a revised scope of work (SOW) and budget.
- March - April 2023: Scope of work (SOW) and budgets were reviewed. Additionally, grantees were scored on the following criteria:
 - 1) Contract compliance of submission of invoices on time/correct.
 - 2) Contract compliance of submission of Evaluation Data Survey on time.
 - 3) Budget and SOW were reasonable and compliant with contracts.

2023 Amended Contract Process

Amended Contracts (HFDK02)

- **April 6, 2023:** Renewal Committee met and made a recommendation for HFDK02 renewals.
- **April 14, 2023:** HFDK Commission approved amendments to the current contracts.



Grantee Cohort Breakdown

New contracts:

- HFDK04 Cohort
(08/2023-12/2025)
 - \$20,217,392.25

Contract amendments/extensions:

- HFDK02 Cohort
(08/2021-07/2023)
 - \$15,461,736.19*

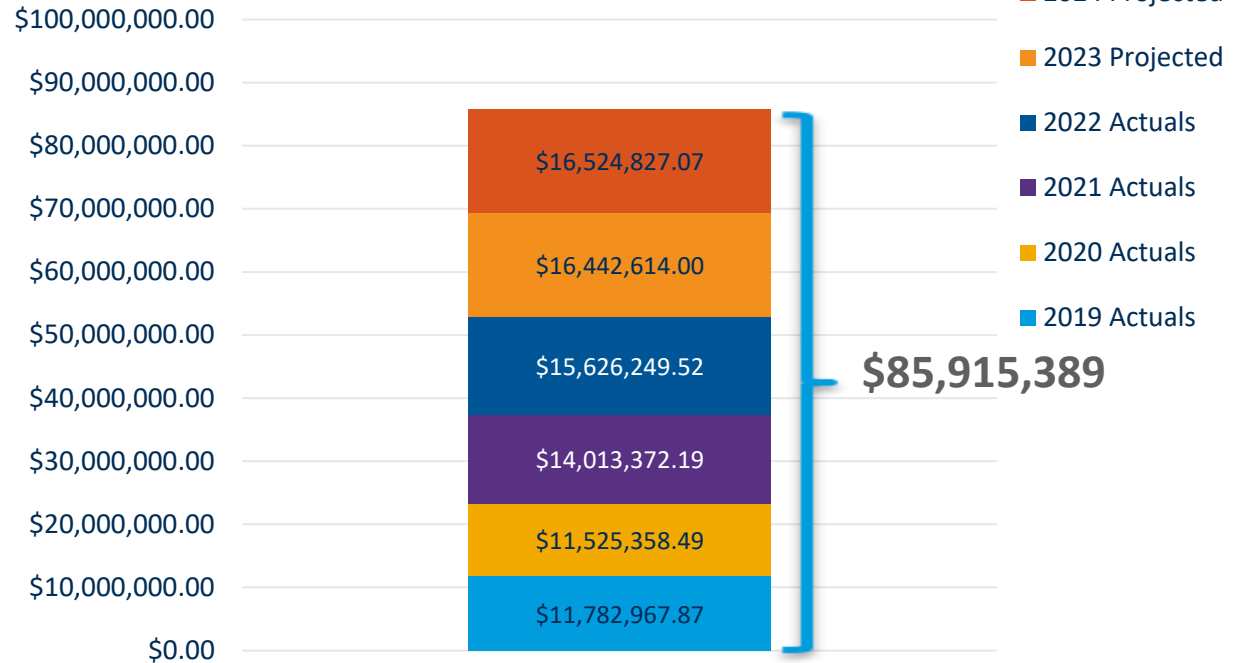
*Please note that this is total cumulative contract amount for contracts starting 8/2021

\$35,679,128.44 total requested in contracts

Cohort	Name of Organization	Resolution #	Total Amount	New/ Amend	Council District
HFDK02	Barton Institute for Community Action (Commun)		\$1,147,887.00	02-Amend	2
	Boys and Girls Club of Metro Denver		\$1,337,640.06	02-Amend	1,2,3,8,9,11
	Denver Food Rescue (HFDK02)		\$1,095,551.00	02-Amend	2,3,7,8,9,10,11
	Denver Health and Hospital Authority		\$1,645,928.00	02-Amend	9
	Denver Inner City Parish		\$2,701,096.90	02-Amend	3
	First Steps at Monarch Montessori		\$504,000.00	02-Amend	8
	Housing Authority of the City and County of Denver, CO		\$1,061,491.00	02-Amend	3
	SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER; Denver Public School Food and Nutrition Services		\$2,771,750.08	02-Amend	All*
	Sewall Child Development Center Inc.		\$1,248,135.15	02-Amend	10
	Stone Soup Inc. dba Stigma		\$1,948,257.00	02-Amend	2,6,7, 9,10
HFDK04	Center for African American Health		\$823,850.00	04- NEW	8, 9
	Denver Food Rescue (HFDK04)		\$3,119,485.00	04- NEW	1,3, 8, 9, 11
	Denver Urban Gardens		\$3,461,582.00	04- NEW	3, 7, 8, 9
	Jewish Family Service of Colorado		\$1,000,000.00	04- NEW	1, 3, 6, 7, 8,9
	La Raza Services Inc.		\$725,000.00	04- NEW	3, 7
	Mile High 360		\$971,641.00	04- NEW	3
	ReVision International		\$2,561,547.00	04- NEW	2, 3, 7, 10
	Sprout City Farms		\$1,054,788.00	04- NEW	3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10
	The GrowHaus		\$2,217,855.00	04- NEW	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11
	The Salvation Army		\$550,674.00	04- NEW	1
	Victim Offender Reconciliation Program (dba Colorado Circles for Change)		\$829,891.25	04- NEW	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 11
	Vive		\$2,901,079.00	04- NEW	8, 9, 11

HFDK Financials

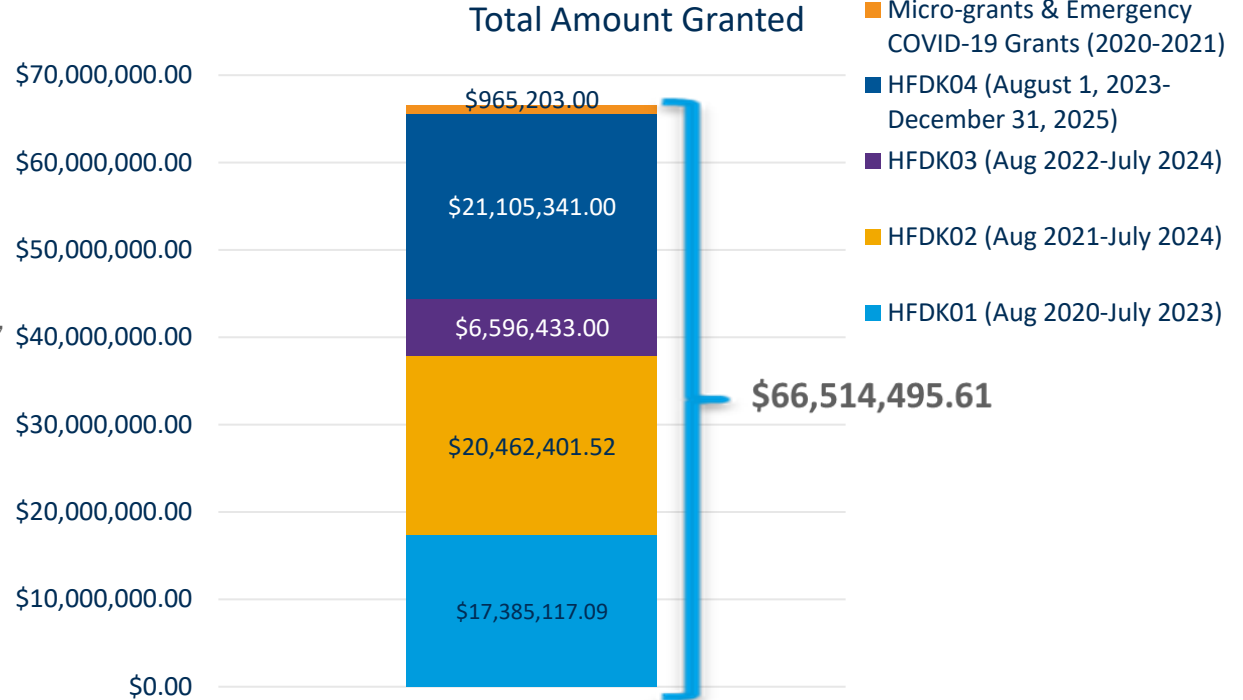
HFDK Revenue



*2023 and 2024 are projected figures and subject to change

HFDK Financials

The \$19M difference between revenue and grants is broken down as follows;
\$7M available for Administration (2019-2024),
\$3M in Contingency (2019-2024) &
\$9M for future grants (2024-2025).



Thank you and Q+A

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