

HEALTHY FOOD FOR DENVER'S **KIDS**

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INTRODUCTION

Through the 2018 Denver Ballot Measure 302, the Healthy Food for Denver's Kids (HFDK) Initiative proposed to increase taxes to establish a fund for healthy food and food-based education for Denver's youth. The ballot measure was approved by 59% of Denver voters on November 6, 2018 and went into effect in January 2019. The 0.08% increase in the sales and use tax within the City and County of Denver is expected to generate approximately \$11 million dollars annually and will sunset after 10 years. The funds are distributed through competitive grants to agencies of local government, Denver Public Schools, and nonprofit organizations, with an emphasis on serving low-income and at-risk youth. Funding decisions are determined by a Commission made up of 13 nonprofit, government, and community member volunteer appointees. The Commission is supported by staff from the Denver Department of Public Health & Environment (DDPHE). Since the passage of Ordinance 302, significant progress has been made on Healthy Food for Denver's Kids, including: creating a Commission with bylaws, hiring staff, developing an evaluation structure, and granting out nearly \$7 million dollars to 64 organizations in 2020.

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Grantee photo from
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NEED FOR THE HFDK INITIATIVE

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, in Denver 1 in 7 kids went hungry because their families could not afford three meals per day. During the pandemic, food insecurity was estimated to increase to as much as 25 to 36 percent of the Denver population (182,636 to 262,992 residents), up from 11 percent in 2018. Although Denver demonstrated record low unemployment rates prior to the pandemic, Colorado is the third-fastest-growing state for childhood hunger. Additionally, nearly 1 in 3 Denver youth have an unhealthy weight status, 34% of food insecure youth are not eligible for food assistance, and 25% of Denver youth eat less than one serving of fruits and vegetables per day. This initiative aims to ensure kids have enough to eat, while receiving hands-on education in farming, gardening, cooking, and nutrition. When possible, it also supports Colorado farms, ranches, and food businesses.

HEALTHY FOOD FOR DENVER'S KIDS TIMELINE



Figure 1. Healthy Food for Denver's Kids Timeline

OVERVIEW OF COMMISSION ACTIVITIES

Initiation

City Council established the fund to receive the sales and use taxes in spring 2019. Healthy Food for Denver's Kids Commission members were appointed and began meeting regularly in public meetings in August 2019, followed by hiring two DDPHE staff to support the initiative in September and October 2019. After hiring staff, members and DDPHE staff finalized bylaws, established structures for Commission operations, and established key organizational policies related to conflict of interest, confidentiality and fiscal policies and procedures. **See Appendix 1 for a link to all publicly accessible HFDK documents.**

Membership

Commission member outreach and application processes (including a Spanish application) have resulted in a diverse representation on the HFDK Commission to date. An initial three Commission members have termed off or left their roles, leading to the appointment of three new Commission members of color in August 2020, including some who have personal experience with food insecurity. The current 13-member Commission is made up of ten women and three men of a multitude of racial and ethnic identities (six Hispanic/Latinx, one Black/African American, one Asian, and five White members). **See Appendix 2 for a full list of Commission members.**

Commission Engagement

HFDK staff have held close to 30 one-on-one interviews with individual Commission members, including orientation calls with new members and exit interviews with departing members. Staff regularly integrate feedback from members, including distributing a regular post-meeting survey starting in August 2020. Out of 22 responses so far, 90.9% rated monthly meetings a 4 or 5 (on a scale of 1-5) in terms of being helpful or productive, and 100% rated 4 or 5 (on a scale of 1-5) in terms of progress towards Commission goals. In an effort to build community among the Commission, especially in a virtual setting, staff established a buddy system for new members to be paired with members who have served longer. To help guide participation and provide clarity around processes, DDPHE staff developed a Commission member handbook. To contribute to Commission member learning, staff organizes regular learning presentations for the Commission, featuring partners such as the Colorado Blueprint to End Hunger, Denver Public Health, Denver Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services, and the Office of Children's Affairs. Overall, the Commission is committed to taking a learning approach to this work by bringing in external speakers, identifying gaps and strategizing to maximize reach to youth most impacted by food insecurity.

OVERVIEW OF COMMISSION ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

Sub-Committees

HFDK recognized the need for further in-depth working sessions and has established sub-committees made up of Commission members to further work on funding, evaluation, equity, community engagement, and membership. Collectively, these committees have met 14 times over the past year. The funding committee has specifically helped define key terms, draft requests for proposals and scoring criteria, and is reviewing the ordinance requirements for organizational eligibility. The evaluation committee has contributed to the development of the HFDK Theory of Change, Systems Map, and Macro-Evaluation Plan. The community engagement and membership committees plan to start meeting in 2021.

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Beginning in August 2020, the Commission began providing Spanish-language interpretation at all monthly meetings and designated a portion of the administrative budget to support racial equity, diversity, and inclusion training for the Commission and grantees, with an emphasis on equitable grantmaking. The HFDK Equity Committee had their first meeting in November to begin to develop content for trainings for the whole Commission, which are expected to roll out in early 2021.

Public Engagement

Before COVID-19, HFDK staff attended and shared information about the initiative at nine City Commission and community meetings, including the American Indian, African American, Latino, LGBTQ, Immigrant and Refugee, and Cultural Affairs Commissions; Eastside Unified, La Alma Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association, and Barnum RNO; and shared information digitally with Westwood Unidos, Northeast Park Hill Coalition, and Villa Park RNOs. Staff have also met with dozens of organizations over the past year, including discussions with potential grantees about their organizational eligibility and to learn more about their proposed work. Staff have delivered public presentations to the Public Health in the Rockies Annual Conference and to the League of Women Voters. Since the Commission began meeting, more than 80 community members have attended HFDK's monthly meetings. DDPHE staff send monthly reminders of upcoming meetings to its Listserv of approximately 1,200 subscribers and is continuing to further increase public engagement by livestreaming meetings on Facebook to reach a larger audience. Together with the DDPHE Communications Team, HFDK staff share key updates on social media (Twitter and Facebook) and have built a public-facing [HFDK website](#). The website includes information about funding opportunities, current grantees, and the Commission (e.g., monthly meeting schedule, meeting materials and how to apply to become a member).

FUNDING ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT

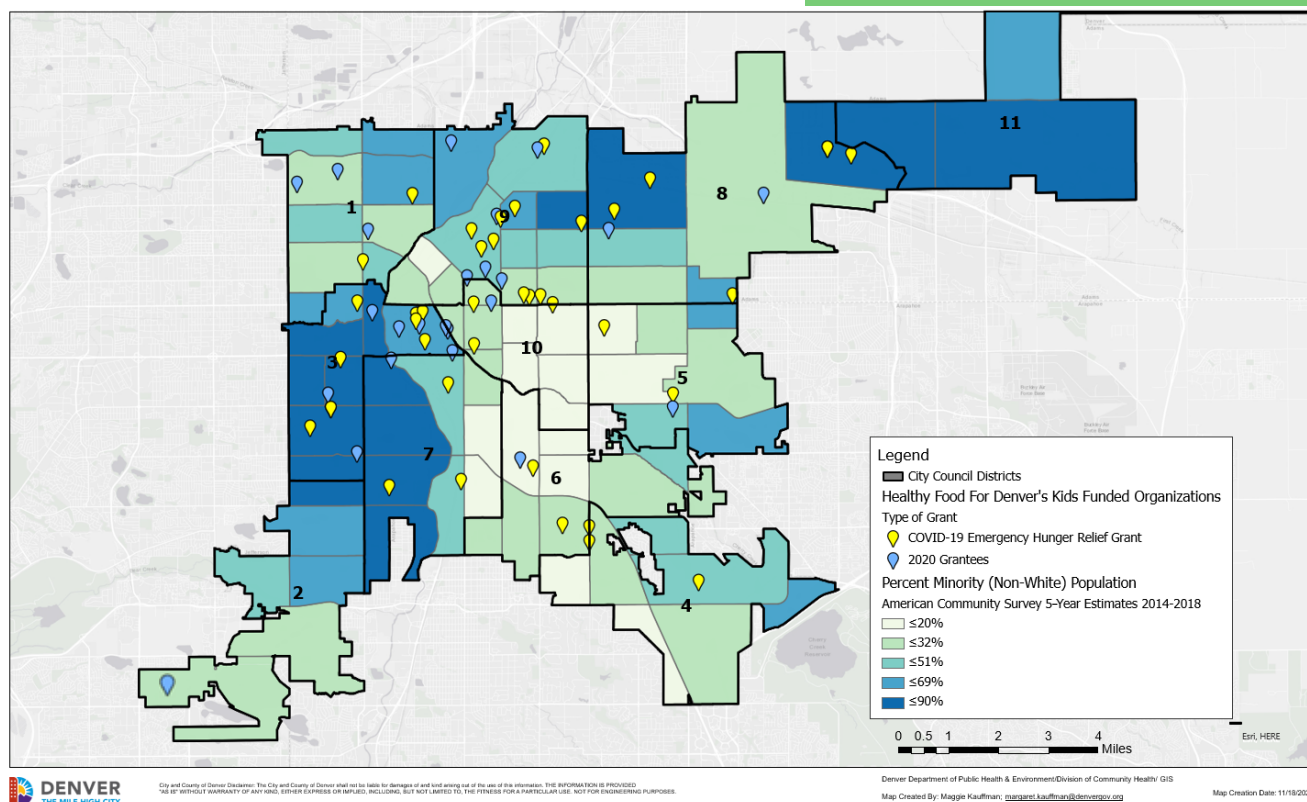
According to Ordinance 302, funds from the Healthy Foods for Denver's Kids Program may be used to:

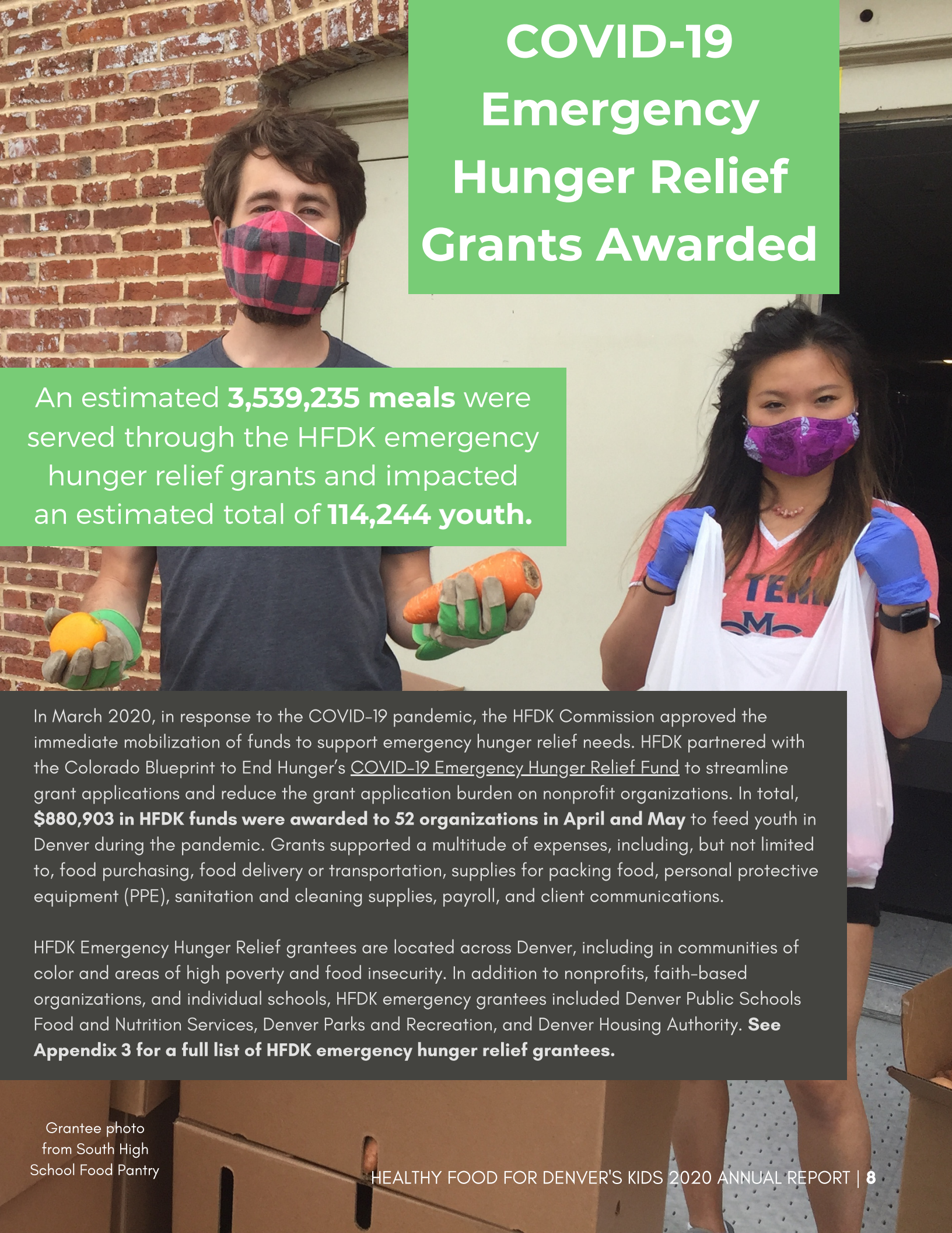
- Help Denver's kids (primarily low-income or at-risk) have year-round access to up to three healthy meals and snacks per day
- Provide hands-on experiential education and public health programs about farming, gardening, cooking, home economics, nutrition and healthy eating
- Preferentially procure food from Colorado farms, ranches, and food manufacturers

Additionally:

- Organizations (applicants or grantees) must conduct the majority of their activities within the City and County of Denver, and principally benefit the City and its residents
- Grantees must provide regular reporting on activities funded
- Some funds can cover administration for applicant organizations, but no more than 10% can go towards City administration costs

Figure 2. All organizations being funded by the Healthy Food for Denver's Kids Initiative in 2020





COVID-19 Emergency Hunger Relief Grants Awarded

An estimated **3,539,235 meals** were served through the HFDK emergency hunger relief grants and impacted an estimated total of **114,244 youth**.

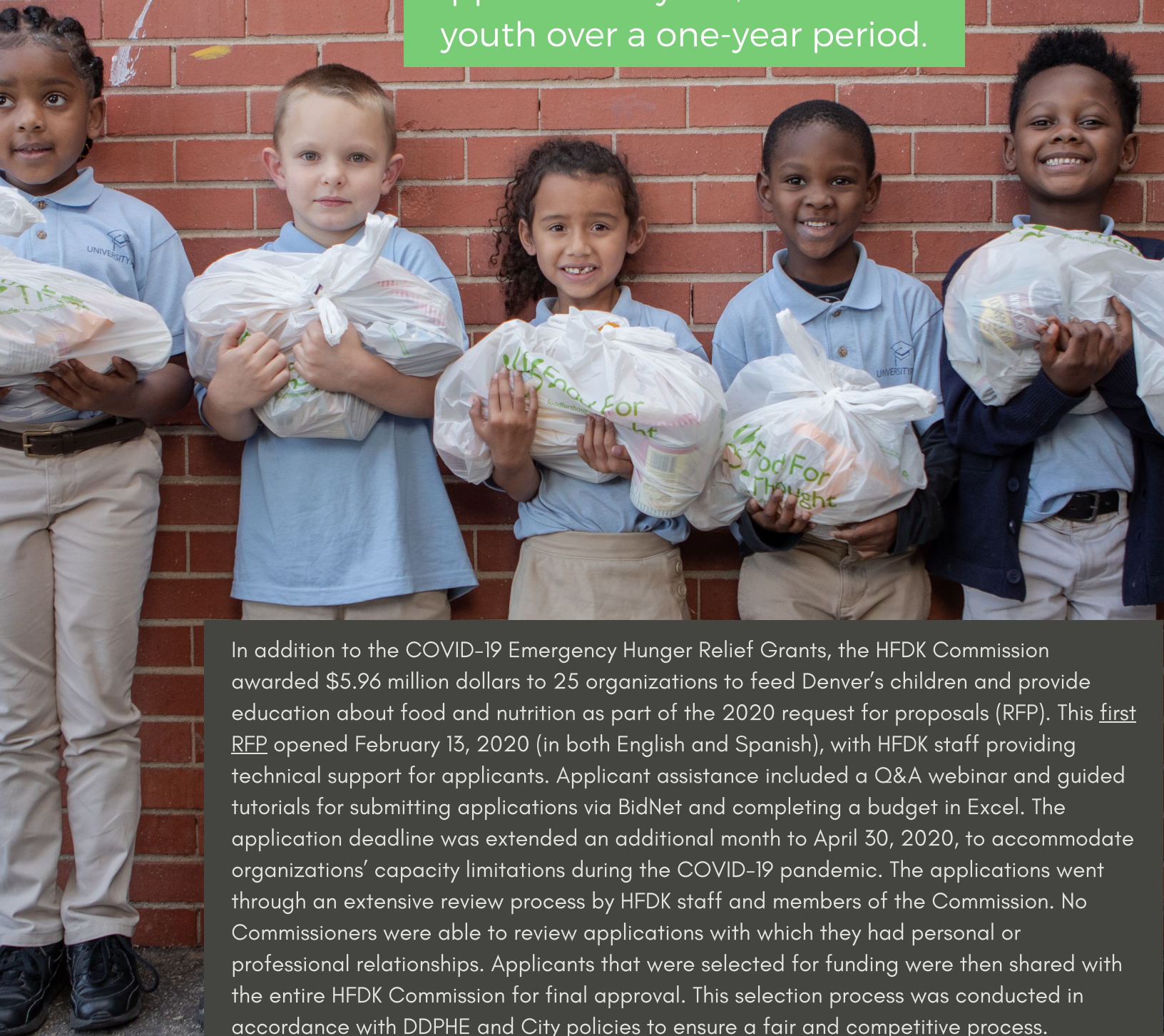
In March 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the HFDK Commission approved the immediate mobilization of funds to support emergency hunger relief needs. HFDK partnered with the Colorado Blueprint to End Hunger's [COVID-19 Emergency Hunger Relief Fund](#) to streamline grant applications and reduce the grant application burden on nonprofit organizations. In total, **\$880,903 in HFDK funds were awarded to 52 organizations in April and May** to feed youth in Denver during the pandemic. Grants supported a multitude of expenses, including, but not limited to, food purchasing, food delivery or transportation, supplies for packing food, personal protective equipment (PPE), sanitation and cleaning supplies, payroll, and client communications.

HFDK Emergency Hunger Relief grantees are located across Denver, including in communities of color and areas of high poverty and food insecurity. In addition to nonprofits, faith-based organizations, and individual schools, HFDK emergency grantees included Denver Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services, Denver Parks and Recreation, and Denver Housing Authority. **See Appendix 3 for a full list of HFDK emergency hunger relief grantees.**

Grantee photo
from South High
School Food Pantry

2020 HFDK Grants Awarded

Funding activities are projected to impact approximately 129,500 Denver youth over a one-year period.



In addition to the COVID-19 Emergency Hunger Relief Grants, the HFDK Commission awarded \$5.96 million dollars to 25 organizations to feed Denver's children and provide education about food and nutrition as part of the 2020 request for proposals (RFP). This first RFP opened February 13, 2020 (in both English and Spanish), with HFDK staff providing technical support for applicants. Applicant assistance included a Q&A webinar and guided tutorials for submitting applications via BidNet and completing a budget in Excel. The application deadline was extended an additional month to April 30, 2020, to accommodate organizations' capacity limitations during the COVID-19 pandemic. The applications went through an extensive review process by HFDK staff and members of the Commission. No Commissioners were able to review applications with which they had personal or professional relationships. Applicants that were selected for funding were then shared with the entire HFDK Commission for final approval. This selection process was conducted in accordance with DDPHE and City policies to ensure a fair and competitive process.

Grantee photo from
Food for Thought
Denver

2020 HFDK Grants Awarded

2020 GRANTEE FOCUS OF WORK

Food Access	6	24%
Food Education	7	28%
Both	10	40%
Capital Infrastructure	2	8%

Figure 3. Programmatic Focus of Grantee Work for the 2020 Grantees (not including emergency grants)

2020 GRANT SIZE SUMMARY

Largest grant	\$1,005,000 (DPS Food and Nutrition Services)
Smallest grant	\$51,394 (Stedman Elementary)
Median grant size	\$195,645
Average grant size	\$238,013

Figure 4. Grant Size Summary for the 2020 Grantees (not including emergency grants)

The initial grant term is one year from August 2020–July 2021, with the opportunity for grantees to apply for two additional years of renewal funds. Overall, the HFDK Commission received 38 applications and selected 25 to fund, including: **16 nonprofits, eight schools or affiliates of Denver Public Schools, and one City agency, Denver Public Library.** Projects include providing healthy food to youth through school food pantries, snack programs, and no-cost grocery distribution. Organizations are also educating and empowering youth through food justice curriculum, cooking classes, and building and teaching in school gardens, greenhouses, and hydroponic classrooms. Projects are taking place across the entire city and adapting to the challenges of COVID-19, including shifting their educational programming to virtual learning and pivoting food distribution to home delivery. Contracts for two grantees, Denver Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services and Denver Public Schools Career and College Success, have not yet been finalized and will require future approval from City Council because the amounts exceed \$500,000 for each. **See Appendix 4 for a full list of 2020 grantees and Appendix 5 for a list of all grantees by Council District.**

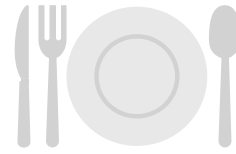


2020 Grantee Quarter 1 Data

August-
October 2020



18,104
Total youth
touchpoints*



15,448
Meals served



40,282 Food boxes distributed to families & youth at 10 community sites (including community centers, nonprofits, and farms), 10 Denver Housing Authority facilities, and 64 schools



32
New gardens or farms
engaging 21 youth

770,075

Pounds of
rescued food



distributed to 12 schools,
11 community centers,
11 housing facilities



24 Sessions of ongoing
food courses
including 194 youth attendees



117

Food classes or workshops
with 2,424 youth and
1,740 adults attending



17 New youth jobs
in the food system created,
including 1,573 hours worked
and \$23,067 paid to youth

15,098

Pounds of produce
harvested from local food production
sites, a total value of \$43,431.30



See Appendix 6 for Quarter 1
Demographic Data from 2020 Grantees

*Youth touchpoints refer to grantee program interactions with youth, including, but not limited to, meal or food distribution, food-based education classes, interacting in gardens, and food-based employment. This number is an aggregate count of all youth engaged, but not a count of unique youth individuals.

EVALUATION

The scope of work and funding for the evaluation of the HFDK initiative was developed by the HFDK staff and Commission and approved in 2019 from the Administration budget. A public Request for Proposals was issued to solicit proposals. An external evaluation partner, Change Matrix, was selected and brought on in partnership in February 2020. Change Matrix is a women-owned, minority-owned small business that operates as a virtual company, with seven Change Matrix team members, including one founding partner, based in Denver, Colorado.

Change Matrix uses adaptive, community-driven, and participatory approaches to assess situations, define outcomes, and tailor processes and tools to specifically meet the needs of organizations, systems, and communities. The Change Matrix team approach to evaluation is that everyone's voice has value in a community, and that the unique needs, hopes and experiences of individuals and the entire community should drive processes. Their team members have a long history of working with diverse communities and stakeholders across multiple projects, including health equity and disparities, early childhood care and home visiting, children's mental health, trauma-informed services, and youth and family engagement.



Grantee photo from The GrowHaus (pictured here: the granddaughter of a GrowHaus Promotora)

Staff Engagement in Evaluation



HFDK staff manage the overall evaluation process with the Change Matrix evaluation team, as well as participating in quarterly Strategic Learning Reflection sessions. HFDK staff also contribute to technical assistance for grantees by conducting semi-annual phone or video check-in calls with grantee staff, and planning and implementing programmatic learning and networking opportunities for funded organizations.

EVALUATION ACTIVITIES AND DELIVERABLES

Using a culturally responsive and equitable evaluation approach, Change Matrix is creating a number of deliverables for the HFDK evaluation, including:

Baseline Assessment

The Baseline Assessment demonstrates the current state of child food insecurity in Denver (including an executive summary highlighting 30+ key data points and high-level takeaways). [View the Baseline Assessment](#)

Social Network Analysis or Systems Map

The Systems Map includes hundreds of actors in the youth food system, including funders, producers, food access organizations, public agencies and more, to understand connections (or lack thereof) in the Denver food system. [View the Systems Map](#) (working document)

Theory of Change

The Theory of Change is a high-level strategy document to guide HFDK's investments to lead towards broader and more impactful systems change. [View the Theory of Change Draft](#) (in progress as of December 2020)

Macro-Evaluation Plan

The Macro-Evaluation Plan includes three overarching evaluation questions and a data collection and analysis plan with 117+ indicators from secondary (population-level) sources, grantee-based data, and supplemental qualitative data from the food system to measure progress towards systems change on child food security. [View the Macro-Evaluation Plan Draft](#) (in progress as of December 2020)

Grantee and Cohort-Level Indicators and Quarterly Dashboards

The Change Matrix Evaluation Team:

- Worked with grantees to understand what data they are already measuring, what they want to measure, and how that can connect with the broader macro-level story
- Customized grantee evaluation plans with outputs and outcomes
- Uses a relationship-based approach with an Evaluation and Learning Partner assigned to each grantee to provide 1:1 coaching and capacity building support
- [View all grantee cohort-level indicators](#)

Annual Reports

The grantee-led evaluation annual report will summarize grantees' progress on key indicators and outcomes, insights about key learnings across strategies, populations, and contexts, and provide opportunities to leverage in the next phase of work. Grantee-led evaluation results will be aggregated on an annual basis to inform the macro-evaluation report.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SUPPORT FOR GRANTEES



In 2020, five learning opportunity webinars were provided:

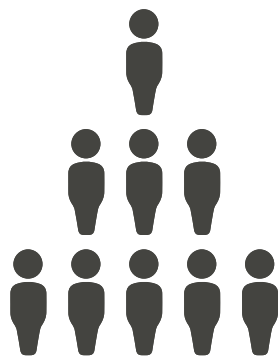
Pandemic
EBT

Collecting
Demographic
Data

Food
Procurement
& Distribution

Colorado
Food
Pantry
Network

Remote
Learning for
Cooking,
Nutrition and
Gardening
Education
during COVID



47 grantee-
affiliated staff
members
engaged



representing
24 grantees

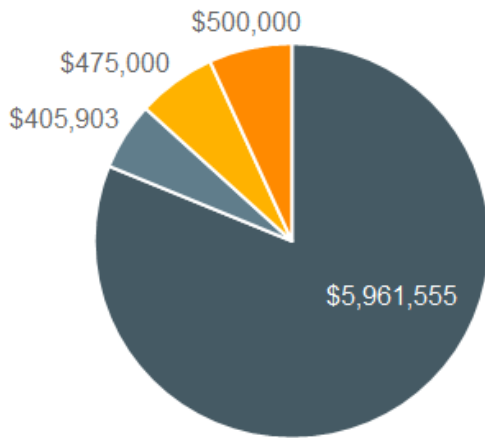
[Link to view all grantee TA resources](#)

HFDK Partnerships and Collaboration

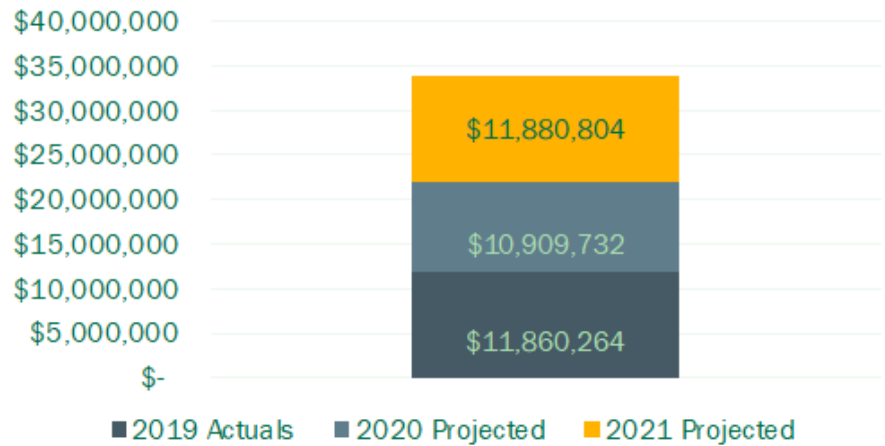
HFDK staff have established partnerships and collaborations with dozens of organizations across the city, state, and country. City agencies and external organizations have contributed to HFDK grantee technical assistance, leveraging resources, and thought partnership. These connections are internal with other City agencies, such as the Mayor's Social Safety Net Council COVID-19 Food Security Committee, Human Rights and Community Partnerships Commissions, and the Denver Sustainable Food Policy Council; and external with Registered Neighborhood Organizations; state agencies, such as CDE and CDPHE; nonprofit organizations, such as the Colorado Blueprint to End Hunger, Food Bank of the Rockies, and Hunger Free Colorado; and other cities with similar health-related tax initiatives, including Seattle, WA; Berkeley, CA; Washington, D.C., and Boulder, CO.

BUDGET UPDATE

HFDK Encumbrances 2020



HFDK Projected Revenue



- HFDK 2020 Grantee Funding
- COVID-19 Emergency Funding - Direct Funding
- COVID-19 Emergency Funding - Trailhead/Blueprint to End Hunger
- Budgeted Administrative Spend

Figure 5. HFDK Budget Encumbrances and Revenue

The Healthy Food for Denver’s Kids fund collected a total of \$11,860,264 in 2019 and is projected to collect \$10,909,732 in 2020 and \$11,880,804 in 2021. **HFDK has paid out or encumbered a total of \$7,342,458 in 2020.** This includes \$500,000 in City administrative expenses including staffing, the Change Matrix evaluation contract, and other administrative needs, such as translation services. All other expenses have gone directly to grantmaking, including: \$475,000 to the emergency hunger relief grant partnership with the Colorado Blueprint to End Hunger; direct funding of \$405,903 disbursed for the remaining COVID-19 grants; and encumbered payments to the 25 2020 Grantees of \$5,961,555.

Due to the need to establish the Commission, hire staff, identify a strategic direction, create policies and procedures, as well as the need to address the COVID-19 pandemic, HFDK has taken a deliberate approach to funding opportunities to ensure that the processes and outcomes in awarding grants are thoughtful and strategic. HFDK will use the tools that have been developed, such as the Theory of Change and Baseline Assessment, the learnings from the first RFP and first 2020 grantee data set, and current events to help guide the strategic direction of future funding opportunities to ensure funding will be efficient and effective. Any administrative funds that are not spent will be rolled into the program budget for the following year.

CONCLUSION

In 2020, HFDK established regular meetings, policies and procedures, and the foundations of a strategic direction. HFDK rolled out its first round of grant funding while simultaneously offering emergency funding in response to urgent community food needs. For 2021, the Commission looks forward to ramping up funding opportunities, conducting deeper evaluation with new data, and strengthening its commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion, while continuing to further respond to community needs. HFDK plans to have a regular cadence of funding cycles and to provide additional funding opportunities to future grantees. Specifically, the Commission plans to release two RFPs next year, as well as a microgrant opportunity designed to support smaller organizations or organizations that need rapid funding. The Commission is currently establishing a process to review emergency grant requests between normal funding cycles. Ultimately, HFDK will use the foundation it built this year and the established practices and procedures to continue to further its purpose to provide healthy food and food-based education to Denver's youth.

Appendix 1. Link to HFDK Website and Public Documents

- **Link to the Healthy Food for Denver's Kids website:**
<https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/environmental-health/our-divisions/community-and-behavioral-health/food-system-policies/healthy-food-for-denvers-kids.html>
- **Link to HFDK Commission public documents, including bylaws, policies and procedures, meeting materials and notes, grant opportunities, and learning resources:**
<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/2/folders/1tTNOpDiBYVmL5Vv0pRtSpPsBfTAcIIQ7>



Appendix 2. Healthy Food for Denver’s Kids Commission Membership

Members: 13 (Mayor appoints 11)	Terms: 3 Years	<u>APPOINTED</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Deborah Ortega, Denver City Council Member At-Large		Seated October 2019	
Jamie Torres, Denver City Council Member District 3		Seated October 2019	
Chelsea Párraga, Denver (F)(Hispanic) History Colorado, rep. city-wide orgs or institutions engaged in food-related activities, appt.		07-23-19	08-01-21
Blake Enyart, Denver (M)(Hispanic) Citizen member, appt.		08-03-20	08-01-21
Laine Cidlowski, Denver (F)(White) Denver Department of Public Health and Environment, appt.		07-23-19	08-01-22
Alexis Weightman, Denver (F)(White) The Colorado Health Foundation rep. city-wide orgs or institutions engaged in food-related activities, appt.		07-23-19	08-01-22
Sandra Stenmark, Denver (F)(White) University of Colorado School of Medicine rep. city-wide orgs or institutions engaged in food-related activities, appt.		07-23-19	08-01-22
Antonnio Benton II, Denver (M)(African American) Citizen member, appt.		08-03-20	08-01-22
Blake Angelo, Denver (M)(White) Citizen member, appt.		07-23-19	08-01-22
Susan Gallo, Denver (F)(Hispanic) Denver Office of Children's Affairs, reappt.		07-17-20	08-01-23
Shelby Miller, Denver (F)(White) Natural Grocers by Vitamin Cottage rep. city-wide orgs or institutions engaged in food-related activities, reappt.		07-17-20	08-01-23
Patricia Iwasaki, Denver (F)(Asian American), Citizen member, reappt.		07-17-20	08-01-23
Lisana Muñoz, Lakewood (F)(Hispanic) Denver Department of Human Services, appt.		07-17-20	08-01-23

Appendix 3. List of COVID-19 Emergency Hunger Relief Grantees

Applicant Organization	Award Amount	Summary of Activities
Bayaud Enterprises	\$10,000	Bayaud Enterprises used funds to buy food for their food pantry and pay staff to operate mobile services and perform necessary cleaning to stay safe. Bayaud's Mobile and Emergency Community Services provide food support, basic needs and resource navigation to families and children experiencing homelessness in Denver, and experienced increased demand due to COVID-19.
Bienvenidos Food Bank	\$15,000	Bienvenidos Food Bank continued operations for their storefront choice pantry, mobile pantry, grocery delivery to homebound seniors and disabled clients, and assistance to eligible The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) clients. They also enrolled clients for SNAP, distributed diapers, wipes and baby food in partnership with Wee Cycle; and provided feminine hygiene products.
Brother Jeff's Cultural Center	\$18,750	Brother Jeff's Cultural Center used grant funds to support immediate needs of racial/ethnic minority populations through distribution of nutritious foods, primarily to the African American/Black community, including the homeless, elderly, and people living with HIV (100 meals per day). Their daily "Let's Talk" social media broadcast reached thousands with timely information.
Children's Farms of America (Children's Farms in Action)	\$10,000	Children's Farms of America (CFA) continued distributing fresh produce to low-income residents at their no-cost distribution sites including Academy 360, Maxwell Elementary, Greenwood Academy, Struggle of Love Food Pantry, and Mobile Food Pantry at United Church of Montbello. Without students to help at school gardens, CFA hired gardeners to plant and tend gardens with a goal of 30,000 pounds of fresh produce distributed.
Colorado Congress PTA (Denver South High Food Pantry)	\$10,000	South High School Food Pantry (SHFP) served students and families through their pantry, which remained open during the pandemic and summer. Students and families received Colorado-produced milk; eggs; meat and other proteins; fresh fruit; fresh vegetables; beans; lentils; bread; and more. Additionally, given increased demand on distributors (We Don't Waste and Food Bank of the Rockies) leading to uncertainty, the grant allowed SHFP to directly purchase from local farmers and distributors.
Colorado Congress PTA (University Park Elementary Backpacks for Kids Food Program)	\$10,000	University Park Elementary used funds to purchase healthy, fresh, and shelf-stable foods from Food Bank of the Rockies and various grocery stores, and to purchase extra packing supplies for their food program. They operated a weekly mobile food distribution in the school parking lot and created a new weekly food delivery program for families that could not get to the school. For the two weeks they were not able to distribute food, they purchased grocery gift cards for families.
Colorado High School Charter	\$10,000	Colorado High School Charter provided families with food boxes from local partners (Food for Thought, Food Bank of the Rockies, We Don't Waste). Boxes included milk, eggs and Colorado-raised beef (from a local rancher), and some were delivered with volunteers.

Community Ministry of Southwest Denver	\$18,750	The Community Ministry of Southwest Denver continued emergency food relief, including a pantry, distributing ~133,000 pounds per month, mostly from grocery rescue and donations. During the COVID-19 pandemic, they have received grocery rescue from two other pantries that have closed. They also received milk from Meadow Gold.
Denver Indian Center	\$15,000	Funding increased Denver Indian Center's capacity with the purchase of new freezers and the cost of installation. The grant also supplemented food received from Food Bank of the Rockies. Additional freezer space allowed the Center to store more food and meet code and safety requirements and specifications for storing certain foods. The Denver Indian Center is the hub of American Indian activity, engagement and support, and serves 120 families with a TEFAP food distribution once a month (prior to COVID).
Denver Inner City Parish	\$24,500	Denver Inner City Parish's Food Pantry distributed 420 pre-packaged food boxes each week, including home deliveries to older adults, individuals who are self-quarantining, and those without access to transportation. Each box includes fresh produce, milk, meat, and dry goods, and provides ~25 meals.
Denver Metro Emergency Food Network	\$18,750	Denver Metro Emergency Food Network delivered free, prepared meals to low-income families and elderly community members. The network also used funds to support sourcing of products, storage, and preparation to build 4,760 meals per week. The network is a partnership between Lost City, Bondadosa, Focus Points Family Resource Center, Denver Food Rescue, and Friends & Family. Meals are delivered to individuals identified by organizations and by requests made directly on their website.
Denver Parks and Recreation	\$3,488	Denver Parks and Recreation used funds to support one Emergency Childcare site for essential workers at the Carla Madison Recreation Center. The Tasty Foods program provided four meals per day (breakfast, lunch, snack and dinner) from April through July. HFDK partially supported this program.
Denver Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services	\$134,300	Denver Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services used funds for emergency meal service for families during the City of Denver Stay-at-Home order. The grant paid for incremental costs associated with meal distribution, including food service workers, security and transportation, advertisement banners and cold storage equipment.
Denver Rescue Mission	\$17,000	Denver Rescue Mission served hot meals during COVID-19 at Lawrence Street Community Center. Funds were used to purchase nutritious fruits, vegetables, nuts and grains; purchase cleaners and disinfectants; and increase staff to replace hundreds of volunteers.
Denver Urban Gardens	\$10,000	Denver Urban Gardens launched 'Grow and Give More' to transform unused garden plots into food donation plots. Plots are managed by volunteer community farmers, and the produce is donated to food pantries and the DPS summer lunch program. Funds were used to purchase garden supplies for 9 school gardens; sponsor seasonal plots for gardeners; and provide stipends for community farmers.
Ekar Farm	\$8,500	Ekar Farm opened up a new 1/3-acre field for production for 5,000 pounds of produce for food pantry partners. The funds paid for tilling, water, irrigation equipment, farm workers and training, compost, seeds and seedlings. The produce assisted Jewish Family Service's Weinberg

		Food Pantry and SAME Café in meeting the increased number of families requesting food.
Family Star Montessori	\$9,285	Family Star Montessori distributed food, formula and specialized foods for families with specific needs to families at both schools and through delivery for those who don't feel safe traveling. Funds covered the purchase of food, gas for deliveries, and cleaning services, PPE and cleaning supplies.
Focus Points Family Resource Center	\$18,750	Focus Points Family Resource Center partnered with Denver Metro Emergency Food Network to serve 223,000+ meals served since March 18. Food distribution at Focus Points' campus via We Don't Waste distributed more than 26,000 pounds of food to more than 650 families.
Food for Thought Denver	\$35,000	Food for Thought provided PowerSacks to students in Denver, especially at DPS meal sites. Each PowerSack contained 10 - 13 items, to make eight meals over the weekend.
Fresh Food Connect	\$5,330	Fresh Food Connect (FFC) managed an application to sign up gardeners to donate their backyard produce to hunger relief organizations. Funds helped FFC make necessary updates to their technology to meet the needs of nonprofit partners. Low-cost marketing tactics like physical ads, email outreach and press led to 700+ gardeners signing up to donate their backyard bounty.
Gang Rescue and Support Project	\$10,000	Gang Rescue and Support Project (GRASP) purchased food for their three-month summer youth program, GRASP Youth Park Guide; provided food to families experiencing homelessness; food baskets and a food pantry; food for a youth trauma and violence mentoring program; and healthy snacks and meals at community events like Eastside Peace March, Struggle of Love and park environmental education programs.
Grow Local Colorado	\$10,000	Grow Local Colorado (GLC) partnered with Slow Food Denver to provide cooking lessons for families with students at Dora Moore Elementary, providing instructions and ingredients (from GLC gardens) for preparing healthy dinners for families. Funds were used to purchase seedlings for Civic Center Park gardens and donate the produce to Metro Caring, SAME Café and Community Ministry.
The GrowHaus	\$35,000	The GrowHaus provided emergency food distribution by purchasing, aggregating, and distributing food staples and produce at no cost to residents of Globeville and Elyria-Swansea. Food packages provided a family of four with lunch and dinner for four days. Through Promotora outreach and social media ads, hundreds of new families came who had never interacted with GrowHaus before.
Haven of Hope	\$11,250	Haven of Hope (formerly Father Woody's Haven of Hope) provided meals to families. Funds were specifically used to purchase foods when previous supply avenues (Food Bank of the Rockies, We Waste Not) lessened, and to purchase necessary PPE and cleaning supplies.
Hope Communities	\$10,000	Hope Communities purchased and distributed food to their residents and families. Food was acquired through food banks and partner organizations, and purchased additional items, especially to meet dietary restrictions of the refugee population they serve.
Jewish Family Service	\$18,750	Jewish Family Service (JFS) sustained its Weinberg Food Pantry, shifting to an emergency response model providing essential food assistance to

		1500 people per week. JFS purchased nonperishables and meat to supplement food from donations and the Rocky Mountain Food Bank. Funds were used to procure additional fresh produce and meat; deliver to homes; purchase supplies for pre-packaging food; and pay staff.
Karis Community	\$6,000	Karis Community continued meal service six nights per week to community members, serving up to 25 people per night, and provided grocery cards to those who lost employment.
La Raza Services (DBA Servicios de La Raza)	\$18,750	Servicios de La Raza operated their Basic Emergency Services program, including food pantry, clothing bank, toiletries, pet food pantry, case management, SNAP and public benefits enrollment. Funds helped increase food distribution via deliveries and expanded facility hours. They also increased technology to ensure contactless deliveries while maintaining healthy and safe practices. Servicios is the TEFAP distributor for the 80204-zip code.
Mental Health Center of Denver	\$18,750	Mental Health Center of Denver (MHCD) operated food pantries for their in-house school. As the community mental health safety net provider for Denver, MHCD serves all in the community experiencing food insecurity due to COVID-19. Funds helped address needs of the youth and their families.
Metro Caring	\$18,750	Metro Caring averaged 65,000+ pounds of food distributed every week. Funds covered part of their emergency hunger relief work, including purchasing food, paying stipends for community members, and covering cleaning costs.
Metro Ministries	\$28,750	Metro Ministries distributed healthy food boxes to residents at 21 Denver Housing Authority sites. Funds helped purchase food, pay stipends for community members, and cover cleaning costs.
Mile High 360	\$10,000	Mile High 360 purchased healthy food for families and delivered it to their homes, delivering approximately 3,750 pounds of food.
Montbello Organizing Committee	\$20,000	Montbello Organizing Committee (MOC), in conjunction with FreshLo partners – Struggle of Love (SOLF)- expanded the pantry at Academy 360 to operate five days per week and provided an emergency call-in number for weekends. MOC administered the Food Bank of the Rockies Mobile Food Pantry, which provided food boxes to 90 - 125 individuals at each mobile food pantry.
Re:Vision	\$25,000	Re:Vision pivoted to provide emergency food access to Westwood by converting their commercial kitchen to serve prepared meals and meal kits, launching a no-cost grocery program offering healthy produce, vegetables, grains, milk, and protein, providing 400-450 families weekly with groceries. The emergency food hub work is a multi-pronged effort with community partners (Lifespan Local, Kaizen Food Rescue, and Roots Family Center) along with local Latinx chefs.
Rocky Mountain Prep	\$10,000	Rocky Mountain Prep (RMP) served more than 55,000 meals to their scholars and adult family members from March through July 2020. Food distribution took place at the four RMP campus locations across Denver.
Savio House	\$10,000	Savio House aligned its services to help meet basic needs of 145 families with an estimated 320 children. Savio had a small food bank prior to receiving this funding. However, it was quickly depleted as families began facing hardship, and the demand on the supplier (Food Bank of the

		Rockies) exceeded its capacity. Funding allowed Savio to expand its services at the scale needed to ensure its families had food access.
Shorter Community AME Church	\$10,000	Shorter Community AME Church served 250 youth impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, primarily from the north/northeast Denver zip codes of 80205, 80207, 80216.
So All May Eat/SAME Café	\$12,500	SAME Café used funds to purchase and prepare extra food and buy to-go food service items for a new partnership with Urban Peak to serve two meals/week to 35 youth staying in supportive housing. The mission of So All May Eat / SAME is creating community through healthy food access to address food insecurity.
Street Fraternity	\$12,500	Street Fraternity delivered meals and groceries to mostly immigrant, refugees and low-income communities on East Colfax.
Struggle of Love Foundation	\$10,000	Struggle of Love Foundation (SOLF) used funds to pay staff; provide stipends to laid off volunteers; cover transportation for home deliveries; purchase personal protection supplies and boxes for food distribution; and purchase desperately needed refrigeration for storage of donated perishable food. SOLF provides community awareness, through collaborative alliances, community involvement, education and social activities for disadvantaged youth and their families, and runs a food pantry for Montbello residents.
The Gathering Place	\$18,750	The Gathering Place used funds to offset expenses of sustaining the Food Services program for women, children and transgender individuals who are experiencing poverty and homelessness. They modified their buffet-style menu to individual pre-packaged meals, costing an additional \$1,000 per week. Also, there is a higher need for bulk food and hygiene items at the Food Pantry.
There With Care	\$18,750	There With Care ensured regular delivery of basic needs, goods and services to families with critically ill children. Funds sustained the food supply for nearly three weeks. Licensed social workers refer most vulnerable families to There With Care to be supported by a caring, community-based safety net as they seek to heal their child.
Urban Peak	\$18,750	Urban Peak served meals to youth at their drop-in center, a refuge for youth experiencing homelessness, providing hot meals, lockers, laundry, showers, case management and trauma-informed groups; and at the shelter, Denver's only licensed shelter for homeless youth ages 15-20, providing safety to youth in crisis. Urban Peak also helped youth at supportive housing units with basic needs supplies, PPE, and food.
Venture for Success Preparatory Learning Center	\$10,000	For Venture for Success Preparatory Learning Center, members and volunteers throughout the community came together to provide food boxes and hot meals to families. Hot meals were provided when families were picking up boxes. Venture for Success aimed to provide food and meals so families had one less thing to worry about and could keep up with other critical expenses.
Victim Offender Reconciliation Program of Denver (DBA)	\$10,000	Colorado Circles for Change (CCFC) provided ongoing youth programs in response to DPS closure, including critical food services for participants. Funding covered food purchasing, food delivery, supplies for packing food, and sanitation supplies. Youth served by CCFC include

Colorado Circles for Change)		predominantly immigrant or refugee families, and many impacted by the criminal justice system or immigration and customs enforcement.
ViVe Wellness	\$10,000	ViVe Wellness delivered food boxes to kids and their families from the community from May-July, while employing people to perform these tasks during an economic recession. They partnered with Metro Caring, King Soopers and Royal Crest (dairy) for food donations, and donations in their neighborhood. They also served healthy snacks to youth during summer programming.
Vivent Health	\$7,500	Vivent Health operated their onsite food pantry, including transitioning to 75% home delivery and 25% curbside pickup. Food delivery boxes contain supplemental supplies for one month. Curbside pickups can either be a one-month supply or a grocery bag for those who can't store food.
Volunteers of America Colorado Branch	\$18,750	Volunteers of America (VOA) used funding for: 1) VOA program needs of supplemental emergency food boxes, meals, increased staffing, food purchasing, food delivery/transportation, supplies for packing food, sanitation and cleaning supplies and paying frontline staff; (2) supplemental emergency food boxes to Five Points and Westwood and; 3) supplemental emergency food boxes to participants of Meals on Wheels and Senior Nutrition Programs.
Westwood Unidos*	\$18,750	Westwood Unidos planned to coordinate with 13 churches in Westwood and 1 apartment complex to supply outdoor drop off sites with appointment times for families to receive food. The hope is to have distribution sites throughout the neighborhood to support residents within walking distance of their homes. In the case of people with disabilities, seniors and others who cannot walk, they will deliver to homes. <i>*=HFDC did not receive a final report from this grantee at the time this report was written. Summary was derived from their original application.</i>
We Don't Waste	\$10,000	We Don't Waste (WDW) collected and distributed 5.2+ million servings of food (~ 1.7 million meals) for families and individuals by partnering with 43 nonprofits and schools, 2 Denver County offices and the Denver Mayor's Office. Over 640,600 servings were distributed through WDW's Mobile Markets offered in Globeville, Elyria-Swansea, and Villa Park Denver neighborhoods.
YMCA of Metropolitan Denver	\$10,000	The HFDC funds supported the Denver YMCA's food insecurity program in the month of July, in which rotating food distribution sites were coordinated out of six wellness centers. The Denver Y distributed pre-packaged family-size meals in an easy-to-carry box, received from the USDA's Farmers to Families Food Box Program. Each box provided a nutritious and balanced meal with enough food to feed a family of five. Staff picked up supplemental items, including bread, and protein from the Food Bank of the Rockies, and received milk from Meadow Gold.
Youth Employment Academy (Osage Café)	\$10,000	Osage Café provided weekly meal preparation kits and snacks at no cost to Mariposa District, Quigg Newton and Sun Valley families, which included pre-portioned ingredients and instructions to make recipes for that week. Conversation cards were also included to ask "quarantine, get to know ME again" as a way to check-in on their wellness.

Appendix 4. List of 2020 Grantees

GRANTEE	AWARD AMOUNT	GRANTEE-SUBMITTED SUMMARY
Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver	\$416,184	HFDK's support will allow Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver to expand our food services to youth who face food insecurity. By providing kids with additional daily meals and snacks throughout the summer and every weekend year-round, this partnership, assisted by Food Bank of the Rockies, will provide well over 100,000 healthy meals to Denver kids.
Colorado Circles for Change	\$93,800	The HFDK funds will be used to provide nutritious meals on-site and for delivery of food packages to youth impacted by violence, the criminal justice system in under-resourced communities. Colorado Circles for Change is committed to feeding Denver's most vulnerable youth, including youth of color, immigrants, and refugees.
Denver Food Rescue	\$195,645	In addition to Denver Food Rescue's commitment to the mission of Producing Health Equity with Denver communities, assuring all programs are culturally inclusive, volunteer-driven and community-specific. Denver Food Rescue is excited to pilot a new program called Self-sufficiency and Nutrition (SAN). The SAN program is designed to teach youth how to independently select and prepare meals utilizing healthy food.
Denver Public Library	\$219,889	The HFDK grant will allow us to provide healthy snacks to our youth at several library locations. In addition, we will be hiring teen assistants from each of the communities where we will be distributing snacks.
Denver School of Innovation and Sustainable Design	\$101,650	The funding will be used to implement a nutrition education program embedded into the physical education curriculum and a Youth Food Leadership program in the school's elective. The program will incorporate a field trip to Sprout City Farms and a variety of community presenters with the goal of providing students to learn the interdependence of physical health, nutrition, and healthy choices, in addition to empowering students with leadership opportunities to teach about access to healthy food.
Denver South High School	\$181,850	Denver South High School's Food Pantry provides a consistent source of fresh, healthy food to meet the basic nutritional needs of its students and families so that no student goes to bed hungry due to a lack of access to food. A top priority is providing fresh produce; dairy; meat and other protein; and culturally relevant food on a weekly basis.
Denver Urban Gardens	\$426,515	Denver Urban Gardens (DUG) will be using the funds to expand our Healthy Seedlings program (currently serving Sun Valley, Montbello, and Elyria-Swansea) by activating educators to teach in an additional six Title 1 schools within DPS, while also continuing to provide services in three schools in the Globeville-Elyria-Swansea area. We'll also be working to expand our Food Access programs by building local capacity for schools to run programs such as Youth Farm Stands and the Garden-to-Cafeteria program. Working alongside youth and educators, Community Activators will be given tools to work with youth to engage in policy, food system, and community activism by connecting with local food justice experts and offering internship opportunities through Groundwork Denver, FrontLine Farming and Slow Food Denver. By building capacity in local communities, we will be shifting ownership and embedding programs into the fabric of the school so they can continue to deliver beyond the grant period.

Denver Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services	\$1,005,000	Denver Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services will build a 1-acre greenhouse to grow salad bowl items for Denver students who participate in the school lunch program. When the greenhouse is financially and operationally sustainable, we will launch an urban agriculture CTE pathway for students and provide workforce development opportunities for students and adults.
Denver Public Schools Career and College Success (Career Connect)	\$529,350	The Denver Public Schools Career and College Success (CCS) team will use the HDFK funds to fill a gap in programs that focus on the Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources industries. They will partner with Teens for Food Justice (TFFJ), a New York City-based nonprofit, to create a student-built and operated classroom hydroponic farm at Bruce Randolph School. The hydroponic farm will ensure students recognize food justice and insecurity, understand health and nutrition, actively engage in STEM education and build a pathway to future income, all while providing fresh and affordable produce to both students and their community through urban farming, food preparation and food preservation.
Food for Thought Denver	\$55,000	Food for Thought Denver will use HDFK funds to provide PowerSacks to Title I children in Denver to eliminate weekend childhood hunger.
Metro Caring	\$72,925	Funds from HDFK will support Metro Caring's Kidz in the Kitchen family nutrition education program, as well as direct food distribution to thousands of families throughout the next year. During this health and economic pandemic, when three times the normal number of families need immediate food assistance, these funds will help families in our Denver community to access healthy, nutritious food relevant to their cultures and diets.
Metro Ministries	\$129,300	On a weekly basis, Metro Ministries, in partnership with Denver Housing Authority (DHA) and Colorado Feeding Kids (CFK), will visit each of the DHA properties that DHA has identified containing children in need of healthy and nutritional food. Metro Ministries will provide 2 CFK family meal packs for each identified child. In cooperation with DHA, the meals will be distributed on-site to the children.
Mile High 360	\$240,982	Mile High 360 will use HDFK funds to truly formalize our nutritional educational programming and family engagement through cuisine with credentialed partners. We will also have a family liaison to work extensively with families on food security through the utilization of community and public resources.
Montbello Organizing Committee	\$236,085	The FreshLo Farm-School Network – Healthy Food for Montbello Kids project is a three-year collaborative impact project among several local schools and nonprofit organizations that have come together to address the shared mission to work with children and youth to grow food for their community, teach them where their food comes from, and work with families to change nutritional habits and consumption patterns. The FreshLo Farm-School Network – Healthy Food for Montbello Kids is premised on an assumption that multiple efforts must work in concert to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of community-level efforts to reduce food insecurity and ensure that children and their families have access to affordable, healthy food.
North High School	\$64,749	The HDFK funds will be used to help increase awareness around school and community policies on unhealthy/healthy eating, food availability, food culture and media, and personal health choices such as economics, neighborhood and education.

Re:Vision	\$354,434	Re:Vision was founded in 2007, working in the Westwood neighborhood, one of Denver's most food insecure, to cultivate a community food system, primarily through teaching families how to grow their own food in their home gardens. With Healthy Food for Denver's Kids support, Re:Vision will work closely with community partners to create curriculum around food justice, health equity and the local food system, while using food as a lens to explore culture and promote discovery and emotional well-being for children in SW Denver.
Sprout City Farms	\$109,423	Sprout City Farms is partnering with Denver Health to leverage the WIC and pediatric care network to couple food access solutions and healthy food education with medical care. We have established a program to offer fresh, organically grown food from local farms to refugee families enrolled in WIC, as well as pediatric patients screened for food insecurity, throughout the Colorado harvest season (June through October). Lowry Clinic is the most diverse clinic in Denver, and families will receive interpretation and translation of nutrition education materials in their preferred languages in addition to fresh produce each week.
Stedman Elementary	\$51,394	HFDK funds will be used to provide a healthy snack to every student every day at school and to conduct activities in the garden related to health and nutrition.
STRIVE Prep -SMART High School	\$54,880	STRIVE Prep -SMART will work with Big Green to install a Learning Garden to implement food literacy programs. SMART wants to increase students' knowledge around healthy food choices and develop skills to grow, harvest, and cook those healthy foods. Students will have opportunities to learn health and nutrition information, practice skills, and share their learning through the Learning Garden curriculum.
Sun Valley Kitchen + Community Center	\$117,230	The HFDK funds will provide support for our Youth Employment + Professional Development, Youth Enrichment, and No-Cost Grocery Programs. The funding will allow us to expand and deepen the impact and reach of each of those programs. The HFDK funds will also support the weeknight dinners we prepare and serve for youth in our Sun Valley neighborhood, in partnership with Sun Valley Youth Center.
The GrowHaus	\$346,445	Funding from HFDK will connect youth and their families in the Globeville and Elyria-Swansea neighborhoods to The GrowHaus' food education, distribution, and community outreach programming. Programming includes food access initiatives that ensure kids have healthy food within reach, a summer leadership program for teens, out-of-school educational sessions for elementary-aged students, and multi-generational classes on nutrition, growing food, and wellness. Ultimately, HFDK funds support a holistic approach to healthy food access and well-being for kids and youth.
The Urban Farm	\$260,515	The Urban Grown Incubator Farm takes a three-pronged approach to promoting a resilient local food system in Denver by addressing workforce development, youth education, and fresh food access through urban agriculture. Urban Grown will utilize soil-based and hydroponic growing methods, allowing for healthy food production and education year-round.

ViVe Wellness	\$349,768	We will be providing healthy food and snacks to our participating kids, as well as education and hands-on growing our own food, and nutrition and healthy cooking for the family. All will be done in Spanish and English
We Don't Waste	\$94,803	In partnership with HFDK, We Don't Waste is excited to offer healthy food and education to children through a variety of programs. This includes providing nutritious food through distribution to partner agencies that work with Denver's youth and their families (including food distribution and recovery with schools) and sustaining/expanding We Don't Waste's monthly Mobile Food Markets (free farmers market-style distributions in food desert neighborhoods). We Don't Waste will also offer nutrition and cooking education to families at these Mobile Food Markets and will partner with schools to provide nutrition and cooking education through classroom and experiential learning.
West Campus Food Bank	\$242,532	Denver West Campus Food Bank (WCFB)'s mission is to provide healthy food for the students and families of students attending West Early College (WEC) and West Leadership Academy (WLA), the two schools located on the West High Campus. West Campus Food Bank, developed to address food insecurity among West campus students, has been in operation since April 6, 2018, and has serviced over 200 students a week. WCFB is 100 % volunteer-operated.

Appendix 5. All Grantees by Council District*

*Note that the list below is according to the main addresses or primary sites of the organizations, with additional service sites noted where applicable.

District 1: Councilmember Amanda P. Sandoval	
Bienvenidos Food Bank	\$15,000
Family Star Montessori	\$9,285
Food for Thought Denver (main office)	\$90,000
North High School	\$64,749
<i>Total amount invested:</i> \$179,034	
<i>Note that a number of additional grantees serve sites in District 1, including Denver Public Library, Denver Urban Gardens, Food for Thought, Metro Ministries, Mile High 360, Re:Vision, ViVe Wellness, We Don't Waste</i>	

District 2: Councilmember Kevin Flynn	
Denver Public Schools: Food and Nutrition Services (Greenhouse Site)	\$1,005,000
<i>Total amount invested:</i> \$1,005,000	
<i>Note that a number of additional grantees serve sites in District 2, including Denver Public Library, Denver Urban Gardens, Food for Thought, and Metro Ministries</i>	

District 3: Councilmember Jamie Torres	
Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver (main office)	\$416,184
Colorado Circles for Change	\$103,800
Colorado High School Charter	\$10,000
Denver Indian Center	\$15,000
Denver Inner City Parish	\$24,500
Haven of Hope	\$11,250
Mile High 360	\$250,982
Re:Vision	\$379,434
Savio House	\$10,000
Servicios de la Raza	\$18,750
Strive Prep - SMART	\$54,880
Sun Valley Kitchen + Community Center	\$117,230
West Campus Food Bank	\$242,532
Westwood Unidos	\$18,750
Youth Employment Academy (Osage Café)	\$10,000
<i>Total amount invested:</i> \$1,683,292	
<i>Note that a number of additional grantees serve sites in District 3, including Denver Food Rescue, Denver Public Library, Denver Urban Gardens, Food for Thought, Metro Ministries, ViVe Wellness, and We Don't Waste</i>	

District 4: Councilmember Kendra Black	
Jewish Family Services	\$18,750
<i>Total amount invested:</i> \$18,750	
<i>Note that a number of additional grantees serve sites in District 4, including Denver Public Library, Denver Urban Gardens, Food for Thought, Metro Ministries, and We Don't Waste</i>	

District 5: Councilmember Amanda Sawyer	
Ekar Farm	\$8,550
Hope Communities	\$10,000
Sprout City Farms	\$109,423
Street Fraternity	\$12,500
Vivent Health	\$7,500
<i>Total amount invested:</i> \$147,973	
<i>Note that We Don't Waste also serves sites in District 5</i>	

District 6: Councilmember Paul Kashmann	
Rocky Mountain Prep (main office)	\$10,000
South High Food Pantry	\$191,850
There With Care	\$18,750
University Park PTA Backpacks for Kids Food Assistance Program	\$10,000
YMCA of Metropolitan Denver	\$10,000
<i>Total amount invested:</i> \$240,600	
<i>Note that a number of additional grantees serve sites in District 6, including Denver Public Library, Denver Urban Gardens, Sprout City Farms, and We Don't Waste</i>	

District 7: Councilmember Jolon Clark	
Denver Public Schools: Food and Nutrition Services (Main Office)	\$134,300
Bayaud Enterprises	\$10,000
Community Ministry of Southwest Denver	\$18,750
Metro Ministries	\$158,050
<i>Total amount invested:</i> \$321,100	
<i>Note that a number of additional grantees serve sites in District 7, including Denver Public Library, Denver Urban Gardens, Food for Thought, Metro Ministries, ViVe Wellness, and We Don't Waste</i>	

District 8: Councilmember Christopher Herndon	
Children's Farms in Action	\$10,000
Denver Rescue Mission	\$17,000
Mental Health Center of Denver	\$18,750
Montbello Organizing Committee	\$256,085
Stedman Elementary	\$51,394
Struggle of Love Foundation	\$10,000
The Urban Farm	\$260,515
Venture for Success Preparatory Learning Center	\$10,000
<i>Total amount invested:</i> \$633,744	
<i>Note that a number of additional grantees serve sites in District 8, including Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver, Denver Food Rescue, Denver Public Library, Food for Thought, and We Don't Waste</i>	

District 9: Councilmember Candi CdeBaca	
Brother Jeff's Cultural Center	\$18,750
Denver Food Rescue	\$195,645
Denver Parks and Rec (Carla Madison Childcare Center for essential workers)	\$3,488
Denver Public Schools Career and College Success / CareerConnect (Bruce Randolph School)	\$529,350
Denver Urban Gardens	\$436,515
Focus Points Family Resource Center	\$18,750
Fresh Food Connect (main office)	\$5,330
GRASP-Gang Rescue and Support Project	\$10,000
Grow Local Colorado (Metro Caring site)	\$10,000
Metro Caring	\$91,675
Shorter Community AME Church	\$10,000
So All May Eat/SAME Café	\$12,500
The Gathering Place	\$18,750
The GrowHaus	\$381,445
Urban Peak	\$18,750
ViVe Wellness	\$359,768
Volunteers of America Colorado Branch	\$18,750
We Don't Waste (main office)	\$104,803
<i>Total amount invested:</i>	\$2,244,269
<i>Note that Denver Public Library, Food for Thought, and Mile High 360 also serve sites in District 9</i>	

District 10: Councilmember Chris Hinds	
Denver Metro Emergency Food Network (Lost City)	\$18,750
Denver Public Library (main branch)	\$219,889
Denver School of Innovation and Sustainable Design	\$101,650
Karis Community	\$6,000
<i>Total amount invested:</i>	\$346,289
<i>Note that Food for Thought and We Don't Waste also serve sites in District 10</i>	

District 11: Councilmember Stacie Gilmore	
<i>Note that while no grantees have their primary address in District 11, a number of grantees serve sites in District 11, including Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver, Denver Food Rescue, Food for Thought, Montbello Organizing Committee, and ViVe Wellness</i>	

Appendix 6. Quarter 1 Demographic Data from 2020 Grantees

For all population demographic categories, out of the 25 grantees who are part of the 2020 cohort, all 22 grantees who were able to report in this quarter (August-October) provided responses. There is an option for grantees to indicate they “don’t know” for any given demographic category.

Makeup of Youth Served

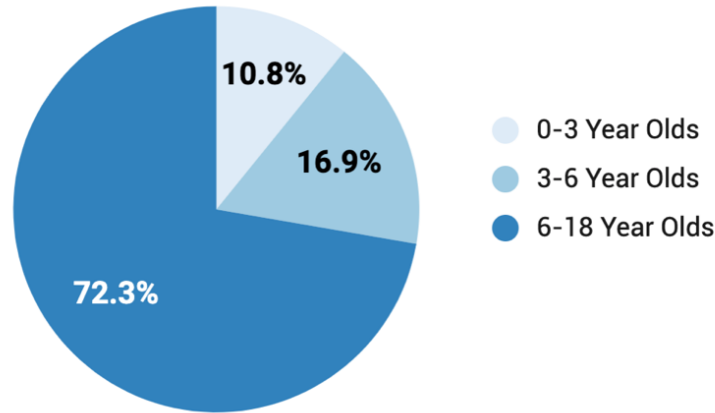


Figure 6. Age Groups of Youth Served. Source: Change Matrix Evaluation Team.

23% of grantees reported that they “don’t know” the age groups of the youth they have served.

Makeup of Racial/Ethnic Groups Served

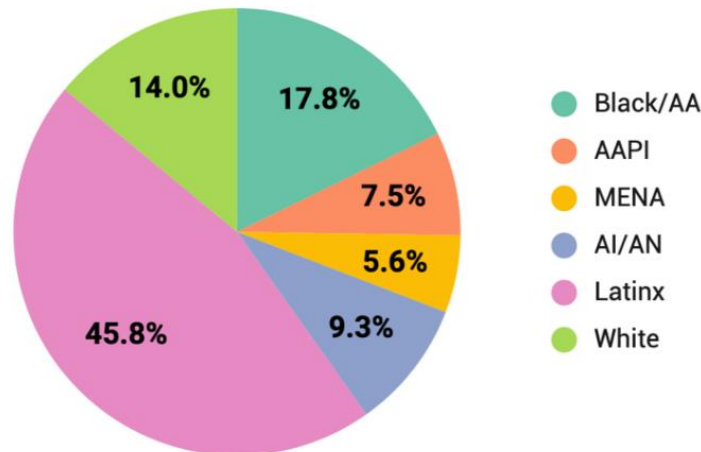


Figure 7. Race and Ethnicity of Youth Served. Source: Change Matrix Evaluation Team.

28% of grantees reported that they “don’t know” the racial/ethnic group of the youth they have served.

Low-Income Distribution of Population Served

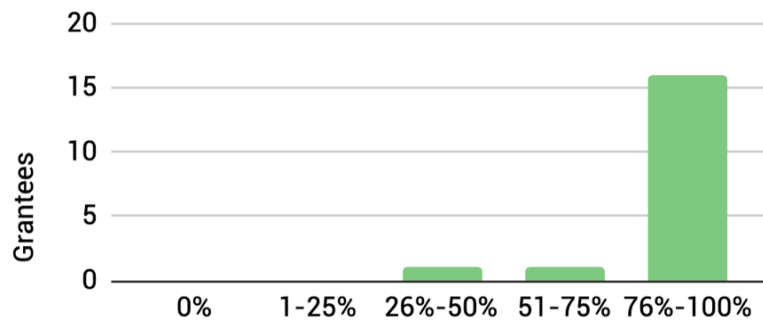


Figure 8. Grantee-estimated Distribution of Youth Served Who are Low-income. Source: Change Matrix Evaluation Team.

Low-income is defined as 200% of the Federal Poverty Level or qualifying for federal nutrition assistance programs such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Women, Infants and Children (WIC), or Free and/or Reduced-Price school meals). 18% of grantees reported that they “don’t know” how many of the youth they have served are low-income.

Immigrant/Refugee Distribution

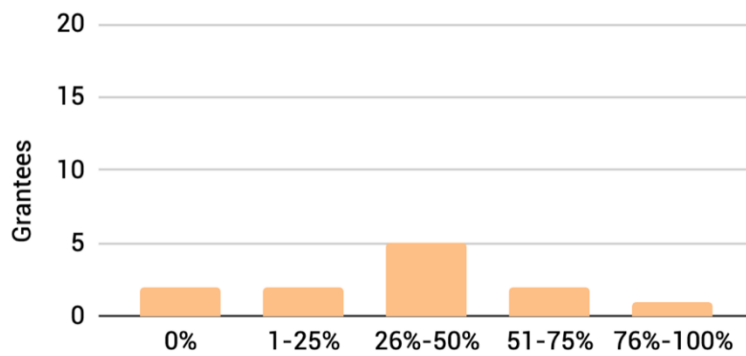


Figure 9. Grantee-estimated Distribution of Youth Served who are Immigrants or Refugees. Source: Change Matrix Evaluation Team.

46% of grantees reported that they “don’t know” how many of the youth they have served are immigrants or refugees.

Experiencing Homelessness Distribution

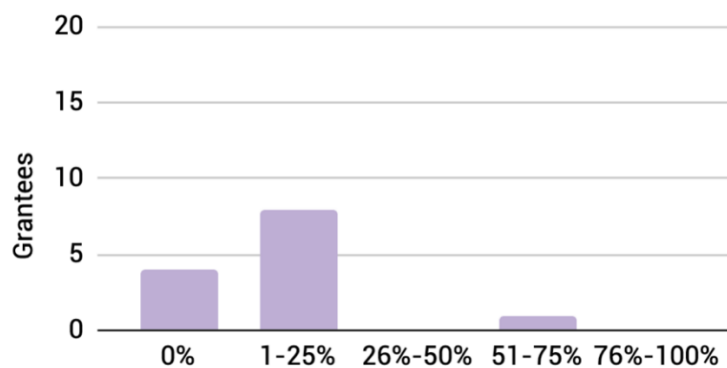


Figure 10. Grantee-estimated Distribution of Youth Served who are Experiencing Homelessness. Source: Change Matrix Evaluation Team.

41% of grantees reported that they “don’t know” how many of the youth they have served are experiencing homelessness.