

Dear Supporters,

Ten years—wow! It's hard to believe Grow Pittsburgh has been teaching people how to grow food and promoting the benefits gardens bring to our neighborhoods for an entire decade. At the same time, it feels like our work has just begun. We've learned a lot along the way, and there's still more growing to do.

We couldn't do this without your encouragement and support. In 10 years we've developed from a seed of an idea in the minds of three enterprising urban farmers, to an organization with four robust programs, three productive growing sites and increasing influence in policy and education around urban growing, in Pittsburgh and beyond.

The next 10 years holds a lot of promise for urban agriculture. Grow Pittsburgh, in partnership with the city and many other groups, is making enormous headway in developing progressive policies that make it easier to grow food in Pittsburgh. We're working on issues from land access to land tenure, to new farmer development. We're also having more conversations about the business of urban agriculture, and the need to support growers interested in growing food in our city at a larger scale. And much more!

With all this promise still comes struggle. Our city still has a significant number of people, and neighborhoods, who have been left out of the progress many of us have been so proud to tout. There are residents eager and interested in being a part of this movement, but are held back by finances and a lack of access to land, among other resources. We remain committed to ensuring that growing and eating local food in Pittsburgh is commonplace for all.

We know that urban growers represent a diaspora of cultures and ethnicities, many of whom aren't represented in leadership, and we are committed to changing that. As we look to the next 10 years, Grow Pittsburgh looks forward to building a just urban food system that is accessible to all and led by a wide variety of voices. We hope you will join us on this journey!

Warmly,

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Julie Butcher Pezzino. Executive Director

Kathryn Heidemann, Board Chair

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"TODAY WAS A HUGE SUCCESS! THE STUDENTS REALLY WORKED HARD, LEARNED ABOUT PLANTING & GROWING AND HAD A LOT OF FUN."

-Teacher, Edible Schoolyard Affiliate school

WE TEACH PEOPLE HOW TO GROW FOOD.

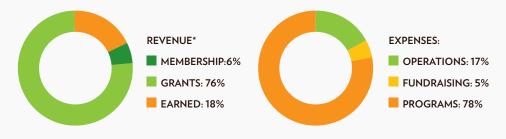
- Taught 1,478 students food-based lessons and spent 661 hours in the garden and classroom through the Edible Schoolyard Pittsburgh Flagship program
- Worked directly with a total of 210 students at 4 Edible Schoolyard Affiliate program schools
- Employed 6 youth for 6 weeks (191 hours) through the Urban Farmers In Training summer internship program at Braddock Farms
- Worked with 8 high school youth in the Homewood-based Bridge to College Program for 6 weeks planting and maintaining Homewood garden beds and running a weekly Homewood Farm Stand
- 9 chefs volunteered 63 hours to the Edible Schoolyard Pittsburgh Flagship program and reached over 800 students

- Implemented a 9-week Winter Cooking Program in 20 Flagship School classrooms. These garden-based cooking and tasting lessons included food history and traditions from around the world
- Held 14 skillshare and gardening workshops with 269 participants
- 5 urban farm apprentices worked 1,565 hours at Braddock Farms, Shiloh Farm and the Frick Greenhouse
- 274 people donated 611 volunteer hours to Edible Schoolyard Pittsburgh
- Organized the first Youth Garden Summit that brought 5 organizations and 45 high school-aged youth together to share their experiences working in urban agriculture

"THE GARDEN TO ME IS A SYMBOL OF TRANSFORMATION... OF A TOWN THAT MANY ONLY SEE AS A PLACE TO DRIVE THROUGH "

Randon Willard, Coraopolis Community
 Development Foundation and a
 Community Garden Committee Member





^{*} Figures based on un-audited financial statements

WE GROW FOOD.

- Grew over 100 varieties of vegetables at Braddock Farms, Shiloh Farm and the Frick Greenhouse
- Grew 93 varieties of seedlings at the Frick Greenhouse
- 75 percent of produce grown at our 3 farm sites went directly to local families and individuals
- Sold 10,334 organic edible seedlings

- Grew 6.42 tons of food at Braddock Farms, Shiloh Farm and Frick Greenhouse—an increase of 9 percent, or over 1,000 pounds of food, from 2013
- Donated 1,153 pounds of produce
- Increased farm stand revenue by 23%
- 178 people donated 586 hours to Braddock Farms, Shiloh Farm and the Frick Greenhouse





WE BUILD AND SUPPORT GARDENS.

- Started 2 new community gardens, for a total of 17 community gardens since 2010: 7 City Growers gardens and 10 Allegheny Grows gardens
- Partnered with the Greater
 Pittsburgh Community Food Bank
 to give away 8,497 seedlings:
 8,720 seed packets and 422 planter
 buckets filled with potting soil to 2,844
 people at 5 Produce to People events
- 310 people engaged at meetings, volunteer days and events at community gardens
- Opened the Garden Resource Center, a tool-lending library and materials depot
- 3,262 volunteer hours logged in community gardens and at the Garden Resource Center

- Expanded community garden growing area at new and existing gardens by 14,106 square feet
- 8.2 tons of fresh food grown by 6 community gardens in the City Growers program that went to families, food pantries and individuals
- 19 community gardens in Allegheny County received a total of \$15,000 in technical assistance and supplies through the Community Garden Sustainability Fund
- City Growers hosted 92 community garden events, workshops, volunteer days and celebrations
- 1 to 1.5 pounds of fresh vegetables per square foot grown at community gardens

"THIS SEASON, FAMILIES SAVED \$500-\$700 IN GROCERIES BECAUSE OF THE GARDEN."

—Community Gardener in Mount Oliver Borough





"I FEEL THAT THE BIGGEST BENEFIT OF THE EDIBLE SCHOOLYARD TO OUR STUDENTS IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET OUTSIDE AND WORK IN THE GARDEN."

-Mrs. Grande, Edible Schoolyard Pittsburgh Urban League Science Teacher

"BRAVELY SCOOPING IT INTO THEIR HANDS AND HEARING THEM EXPLAIN HOW WORMS CREATE HEALTHY SOIL FOR PLANTS TO GROW. THAT'S WHAT I CALL LEARNING IN ACTION!"

—James Souder, Edible Schoolyard Pittsburgh volunteer







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