

Hope's Harvest improves the livelihoods of local farmers, increases food security for our most vulnerable residents, and gets everyone engaged in strengthening the food system by eliminating on-farm food waste.

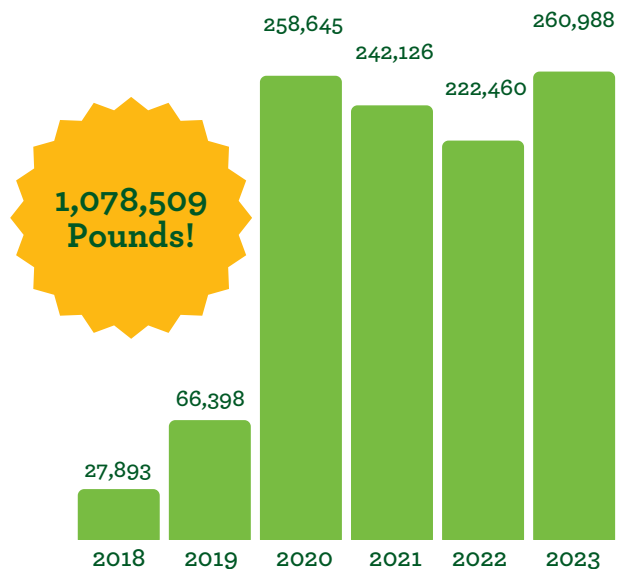
Hope's Harvest started in 2018 as Rhode Island's first gleaning project. Since then, our program has grown to include not only farm-based food recovery but also expanding markets for local growers via the emergency food system.



On-Farm Food Rescue & Donation

Since 2018 Hope's Harvest has:

- Recruited +3,500 volunteers, 1,384 of whom spent 9,825 hours
- Recovering 1,078,509 lbs of fresh, healthy, local fruits and vegetables
- From 69 farms across Rhode Island and Southeastern MA, and
- Distributed to 62 hunger relief agencies, serving over 35,000 individuals per month.
- Sent \$484,364 in farmer payments for farmer contracts & surplus purchases



Hunger Relief Purchasing

Since 2020 Hope's Harvest has:

- Allocated \$539,500 to 66 hunger relief agencies via the Farm to Food Pantry Program (FTFP) to purchase local produce, dairy, and meat

Since 2021 Hope's Harvest has:

- Distributed over 20,300 produce boxes to over 115 locations through the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP)

Across both programs Hope's Harvest has:

- Sourced from over 100 growers and producers between SFMNP and FTFP and
- Sent over \$700,000 in producer payments across both programs

Top 20 Farm Partners & Pounds of Produce Recovered

Four Town Farm	284,313
Ferolbink Farm	229,679
Boston Area Gleaners	113,024
Sodco Farm	47,899
Shewatuck Farm	45,835
Charlotte's Farm	37,510
Martinez Farm	32,394
Barden Family Orchard	29,552
URI Extension Farm	28,222
Arcadian Fields Organic Farm	27,780
Garman Farm	15,612
Steere Orchards	13,673
Brandon Family Farm	13,399
Decastro's Farm	12,694
Big Train Farm	11,621
Movement Ground Farm	11,500
Appleland Orchard	11,129
Confreda Farms	9,395
Freedom Food Farm	9,054
Market Mobile	8,986

Top Hunger Relief Agencies Served & Pounds of Gleaned Produce Received

Rhode Island Community Food Bank	451,994
Elisha Project	250,761
Olneyville Food Center	113,204
We Share Hope	75,886
Dr. Martin Luther King Community Center	27,194
Community Action Partnership of Providence	17,109
St. John's Lodge Food Bank	16,439
Pantry on the Lane	15,265
Jonnycake Center Peacedale	14,926
Mutual Aid	11,486
East Bay Food Pantry	11,477
St. Martin de Porres Center and Food Pantry	11,176
University of Rhode Island	8,833
West End Community Center	8,632
Hasbro Primary Care Clinic Feeding Futures	7,964
Jonnycake Center of Westerly	7,547
Harvest Kitchen	4,116
Amos House	4,083
Tri County Community Action Agency HEZ	3,836
Askiya Agency	3,589

“This was a great opportunity for us to increase our volume of local, fresh, produce! We were able to prepare healthy, veggie-filled meals for the people we serve, and the grant was such a great support because we are a small volunteer operation with limited funds.

- Food Not Bombs, FTFP Participant

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“The majority of the food we get on a regular basis is canned goods and dry foods, so for us it also is very important that our clients get a good dose of fresh vegetables and fruit. Hope's Harvest has been able to provide us with fruit and vegetables every week.

- Jackie, Pantry Coordinator at Olneyville Food Center

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“I just show [Hope's Harvest] where it is and they pick it, take it away, and give it away to someone who needs it.

- Diana, Farmer at Arcadian Fields Organic Farm

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