

## **Common Good City Farm**

Growing Food. Cultivating Community.

# OUR MISSION

To sustain and support a more equitable community through growing, learning, cooking, and sharing fresh food together.

#### 2023: YEAR IN REVIEW

This year Common Good City Farm was grateful to pilot two new programs serving the most vulnerable populations in our neighborhood. After completing a 10-month Strategic Planning process to redistribute power to our community, it was affirmed that the core of our work revolves around listening to our community. Through listening, we learned that there were two groups in our community that needed deeper supports: at-risk teens and senior citizens. To better support these community members, we launched a Teen Program, which provides safe spaces and workshops for youth, and provides them with job opportunities at our weekly Farm Stand. When we learned that LeDroit Park's seniors were not able to attend the weekly farm stand due to a variety of issues, we launched the senior Veggie Delivery Program, which brings the Farm Stand to them -- for free! This year, we served an average of 20 seniors each week with over 9,200 servings of fresh fruits and veggies grown at Common Good!

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#### FISCAL GROWTH

2021 Org Budget: **\$529,371** 2022 Org Budget: **\$669,914**\* 2023 Org Budget: **\$808,002**\*\*

\*21% annual growth \*\*27% annual growth Common Good City Farm combats food insecurity and nurtures the health and well-being of our community with a two-fold approach: addressing immediate needs and addressing systemic injustices.

### PAY-WHAT-YOU-CAN FARM STAND

We address the immediate need of food insecurity through our Pay-What-You-Can Farm Stand, and its auxiliary programs: the Community Fridge & Pantry, and the Senior Veggie Delivery Program, These high-impact programs ensure that 350+ families have access to fresh fruits and vegetables regardless of their ability to pay.

### **EMPOWERING COMMON COMMUNITY: EDUCATION & EVENTS**

We address systemic inequities in our food system by empowering people to develop practices that contribute to longterm health and wellness with four core education programs:

- Our Seed-to-Table Workshops offer farm-based education and empowerment for adults.
- Learning for the Environment, Agriculture, and Food (LEAF) after-school program for neighborhood youth ages 6-12 fosters a sense of belonging and community, and empowers children to lead healthy lives as adults.
- Our Certificate Program in Regenerative Urban Agriculture cultivates tomorrow's urban farmers through education in regenerative and climate-responsive agriculture, focusing on socially disadvantaged farmers in urban food deserts.
- Our Community Events Series offers free monthly activities that welcome 1000+ attendees and work to unite and strengthen our community by bringing neighbors together.



**2023 IMPACT** 

(projected)

COMMUNITY EVENTS

FIELD TRIPS

900 student visitors!

- 5 high school interns
- 50 high school Garden Club participants