

FARMING HOPE GRATITUDE REPORT 2021



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**Refettorio
San Francisco**

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Life changing Apprenticeships

76,882

Nourishing meals and grocery bags
free to families in need

13,478

Pounds of food recovered

FROM THE FARMING HOPE TEAM



2021 was a year that truly reflected our name - we farmed so much hope! Amidst pandemic fatigue and the emotional roller coaster of uncertainty, we kept our programming strong. Thanks to our support network, including you, we stepped up to the challenge of our day, opening our doors to more people than ever.

When Apprentices walk into the kitchen to start their day, when families come into Refettorio San Francisco to pick up meals and to choose their groceries, or when someone orders a beautiful meal from Manny's, we want each person to know that they are valued. Many organizations focus on addressing basic needs, leaving a gap in the path toward self sufficiency. We fill this gap through paid job training and transitional employment, delicious meals and healthy groceries for food insecure community members, and waste reduction through food recovery. Growing, cooking, and serving food to others is proof that all are needed.

We want to empower our Apprentices, staff, volunteers, meal guests, and supporters to lead, give back, feel seen, and be heard. We want all to know they are needed by their neighbors, colleagues, and community. We invite you to our table to make this life-changing work possible.

We need you to help us continue Farming Hope.



IN THEIR WORDS

“This organization is one that’s been needed for a long time. Now that I’m on the inside and see what goes on, Farming Hope is great for anyone, whatever your vision is. They really encourage you, they really inspire you.”

Donald graduated from our program in July 2021 and is now a full time employee at A16 restaurant.



DONALD AND ALICE WATERS ENJOY OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISER IN NOVEMBER



“Ever since you started the meal program and expanded to groceries it has helped out our family. Everything balances out for us and the variety of foods helps us prepare healthy choices for the kids and family. We have prepared salads, smoothies, and added on things with our meals. We are grateful and blessed.”

Della, is grandmother of six and head of her household. She visits Refettorio San Francisco two to three times each week to pick up prepared meals and groceries from our client-choice market.



VISION

Our vision is to build inclusive communities where all are needed.

VALUES

Empower

Take ownership and responsibility for bringing our vision to life every day. Include everyone in the room, the city, the community. Empower others to embrace the truth that we are all needed.

MISSION

Together, we empower folks experiencing major barriers to employment to grow and cook food to sustain themselves and their communities.

Respect

Recognize that every story is important in contributing to our community's strength. Respect the time, effort, and stories of those you work with. Respect yourself as a person of immense worth and value. Make every decision to treat those affected in the way you would want to be treated.

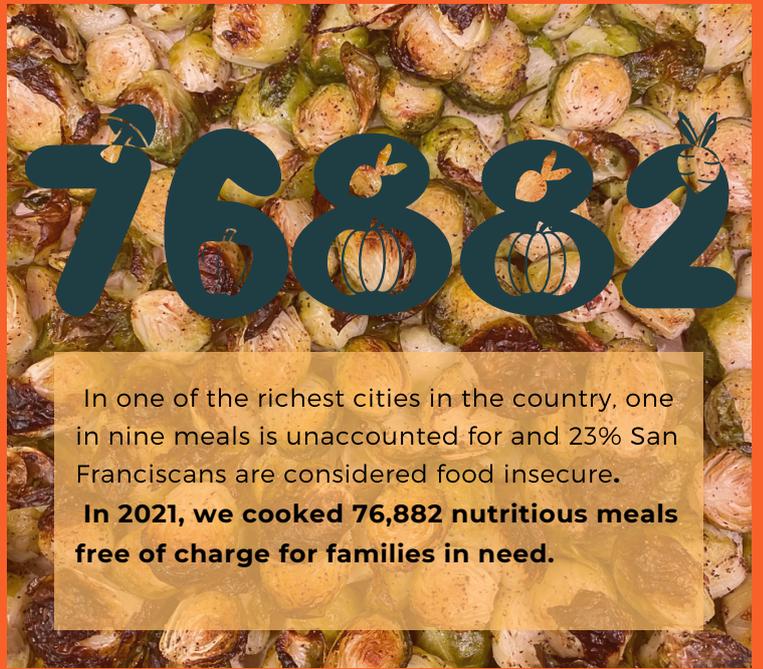
Achieve

We are focused on achieving excellent outcomes for our Apprentices and our organization. We celebrate our achievements and share them with our community. We achieve high standards with every dish, every plant, the cleanliness of our kitchen, and the success of our neighbors. We can only achieve together.



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None of this would be possible without you, our Farming Hope community! Thank you for supporting our innovative job training and community food hub.



In one of the richest cities in the country, one in nine meals is unaccounted for and 23% San Franciscans are considered food insecure.

In 2021, we cooked 76,882 nutritious meals free of charge for families in need.

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Vetted Employment Partners

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Referral Partners

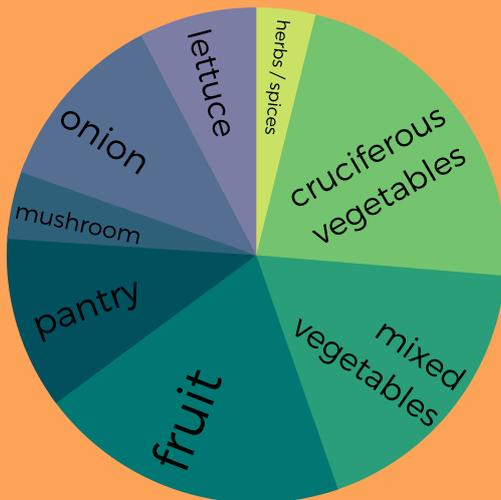
Our program team works hard to build and maintain relationships with both caseworkers and healthy workplaces to bridge the gap for our Apprentices.



19 APPRENTICES

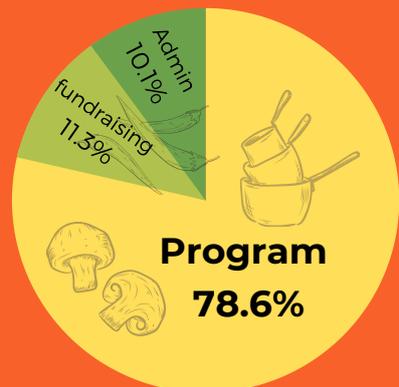
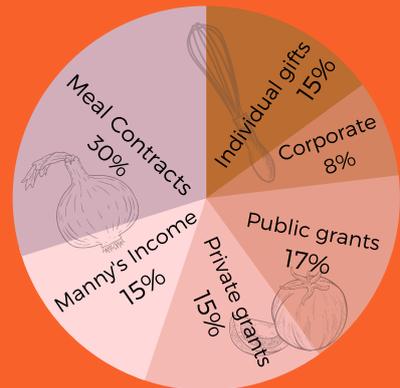
Our Apprentices are at the heart of our vision to create communities where all are needed. We work within a diverse ecosystem of support services and partners to guide our Apprentices on their road to resilience.

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Americans waste nearly 30-40% of the food supply, and food waste is a major greenhouse gas contributor. **In 2021, we recovered 13,478 pounds of food, mostly fresh fruit and vegetables, that would have otherwise gone to landfill.**



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