Farm to Food Pantry is a partnership between WSDA and Harvest Against Hunger

- Supplying fresh produce to those struggling to put food on the table.
- Promoting the economic growth of local farms.
- Increasing fresh fruit and vegetable options for low-income households.

24 counties
15 lead agencies
142 pantries served

For every $1 invested by WSDA 7 lbs. of produce went to food pantries

OVER 341,364 clients served at participating food pantries and meal programs*

"My son loves when we have fresh produce and I love knowing that it was grown by local farmers."

"You allow a man without means to eat like the wealthy."

"Thanks for keeping us healthy, no matter our income."

DURING THE 2020 GROWING SEASON:

105,017 total pounds purchased
448,153 total pounds gleaned/donated

PURCHASED $1.52 PER LB.
Donations reduce the cost per pound by 81%
WITH DONATIONS 29¢ PER LB.

Source: WSDA Farm to Food Pantry initiative 2020 data, unless otherwise noted. *FFY 2020 TEFAP client data.
This program has allowed us to target specific types of produce that would otherwise not enter the emergency food system.

A homebound food bank client was overjoyed by the farm fresh produce received.

Our food bank clients love their options and we love being able to support our local farmers.

86% of farmers surveyed reported some financial benefit from participating.

“Feeding those in need while earning a living wage.”

“Provided an outlet for what would otherwise go to waste.”

“We were able to pay bills for early season start-up costs, seeds, and fertilizer.”

“Flexible purchasing enabled me to sell excess crops at the right time.”

80% of farmers surveyed reported an annual gross farm income of less than $200,000 and indicated an average of 17% of income came from Farm to Food Pantry contracts.

SINCE 2014 PILOT:

$241,000 WSDA
$432,500 $ TO WASHINGTON FARMERS

$211,000 LOCAL MATCH
$23,000 SNAP-Ed GRANT

356,000 lbs.
1,077,426 lbs.
TOTAL POUNDS PURCHASED
TOTAL POUNDS DONATED/GLEANED