

# Fresh from the Fields

A FARM TO FOODBANK NEWSLETTER

## Sharing Food

- **6,635 lbs.** purchased from **15 MoCo Farms**
- Supported **29 Food Assistance Providers (FAPs)**
- Most purchased item: **1,784 lbs.** of **lettuce**

## Heroes Against Hunger



In early May, Manna hosted its annual **Heroes Against Hunger** gala at the **BlackRock Center for the Arts**. Amidst a wide range of offerings for the silent auction were **6 donated gift baskets** from Farmers participating in F2FB. Huge shoutout to **Common Root, Savage Acres, Pleasant Valley, Loves Gardens, Tikkun Olam, and Butler's Orchard** for participating in this year's event. Your donations were generous and raffle winners were lucky to get a taste of local agriculture!

## Program Updates

- We expect the **F2FB contract to be renewed for FY26** at **about the same budget** as this past fiscal year.

## Gleaning & Volunteers

**Red Wiggler Community Farm** recently held its first gleaning of the season! **23 lbs of kale** were harvested by **Master Gardeners** and volunteers and was delivered to **The UpCounty Hub**. If you are interested in hosting a gleaning, or just having **volunteers help out on the farm**, please reach out to [annarose@mannafood.org](mailto:annarose@mannafood.org)!



## Seeking

Manna will have **2 Montgomery County high school students interning** with us this Summer. If you are **interested in hosting them on the farm** for 2 to 3 hours one day **between June 24<sup>th</sup> and July 25<sup>th</sup>**, please reach out to [annarose@mannafood.org](mailto:annarose@mannafood.org).

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