



2022 *Accomplishments*



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Good Food Purchasing Program (GFPP)

CFA's NYC Advocacy Accomplishments:

- Mayor Eric Adams issued Executive Order 8 – Food Standards and Good Food Purchasing to prioritize NYC's adoption of GFPP values
- New York City Council Speaker Adrienne Adams introduced the GFPP bill

CFA's NYS Advocacy Accomplishments:

- The NYS Legislature introduced the Good Food New York Bill (S7534/A8580)
 - Prime bill sponsors: Senators Michelle Hinchey (Chair of Agriculture Committee) and Liz Krueger (Chair of Finance Committee) and Assembly Majority Leader Crystal Peoples-Stokes
 - The bill currently has 28 sponsors
- CFA launched the New York State GFPP Campaign
 - The newly formed NYS GFPP Coalition has 27 members who represent communities across the state

School Food

CFA's NYC Advocacy Accomplishments:

- CFA's Lunch 4 Learning Coalition secured \$50 million in the Department of Education's capital budget to enhance 100 additional cafeterias in public middle and high schools. As a result of our advocacy, 1 in 3 public middle and high schools now have or have funds allocated for enhanced cafeterias
- Halal & Kosher meals are now available in more than 70 NYC public schools and are available to all schools by request
- CFA assisted thousands of NYC families to remove barriers to access their P-EBT funds

CFA's NYS Advocacy Accomplishments:

- CFA and Hunger Solutions New York launched the Healthy School Meals For All (HSMFA) campaign for statewide universal free school meals
 - The HSMFA Coalition has 200+ partners statewide

Youth Food Advocates (YFA)

- The 2021-2022 YFA cohort of 14 young food justice leaders collectively represented 20,000+ public school students:
 - Participated in advocacy campaign to secure \$50 million for cafeteria enhancement, including meetings with City Councilmembers and testifying in budget hearings
 - Developed and implemented a citywide cafeteria survey in their schools and shared their report & recommendations with the Office of Food and Nutrition Services (OFNS)
 - Published two YFA Newsletters
- 17 students were chosen for the 2022-2023 YFA cohort from nearly 100 applicants; they represent 33,000+ students from 14 NYC public high schools
- Senior leadership from OFNS have committed to attend monthly YFA meetings to hear directly from students
- The YFA leadership training curriculum is captured in a groundbreaking Youth Advocacy Toolkit

Organizational Updates

- Liz Accles & Ribka Getachew served on Mayor Eric Adams's Food Policy Transition Team. This was the first ever food policy committee on a mayoral transition team.
- Liz participated in the DOE's Office of Food and Nutrition Services's (OFNS) strategic planning process as a community advisory committee member
- Wagaye Mesele and Taylor Pate joined the CFA staff
- Nina Guercio, Dara Kagan and Tina Stinson-DaCruz joined the CFA Board
- CFA launched a YouTube channel

New Initiative

- CFA received a planning grant to develop a program to improve supermarket access for long-term low-income residents in gentrifying communities