



Food Security and Community Mobilization in Peterborough

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I come here because I have kids to feed.... If it were just me, I could survive on...tea, but kids have to eat.

—Mother and food bank client
The Peterborough Hunger Report

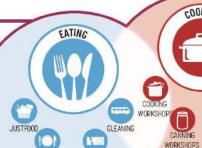
# THE NOURISH PROJECT'S **THEORY OF** CHANGE (1)

VISION: To develop a dynamic local network of places for food dedicated to community, health and fairness

### WHAT WE DO

Provide dignified access to healthy food and programming that enhances the capacity of community members to meet their Deliver food skills programming that builds food literacy, promotes health, and enhances social

connection. Promote inclusive and resilient communities that are committed to the eradication of poverty and food insecurity.



MARKET

DOLLARS





WORKSHOPS

SEED LIBRARY





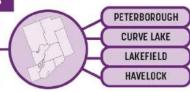
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# **ENABLING CONDITIONS**

#### SITE COMMITTEES THAT:

provide advisory support to the project

support program design evaluation and delivery









### ADVISORY COMMITTEES THAT ARE:

engaged throughout the project provide advisory support and oversight to the project



#### **COLLABORATIVE MEMBERS THAT ARE:**

engaged throughout the project provide advisory support and oversight for the project

## SHORT-TERM OUTCOMES



ACCESS & AFFORDABILITY OF **HEALTHY FOOD** 



HEALTHYFOOD KNOWLEDGE SKILLS & BEHAVIOURS



SOCIAL ISOLATION

Participants have increased access to better quality, healthier, and locally-produced food

COMMUNITY

DINNERS

Participants demonstrate increased knowledge, skills, and behaviours related to food, nutrition, food preparation and food production

Participants develop new social connections, leading to reduced social isolation

### **MEDIUM-TERM OUTCOMES**



KITCHENS

**CONSUMPTION OF** FRESHFRUITS & VEGETABLES



**CONFIDENCE & SENSE OF COMMUNITY** BELONGING



**VOLUNTEERISM &** COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

-More participants regularly eating healthy, locally-produced food

Participants feel more connected to the community and to each other

Participants become more engaged in the project and the broader community

# **LONG-TERM IMPACTS**

IMPROVED PHYSICAL & MENTAL HEALTH

A SUSTAINABLE & JUST LOCAL FOOD SYSTEM

MORE INCLUSIVE & **ENGAGED COMMUNITIES** 

# Green IP

GUIDING

PRINCIPLES

### THE POWER OF FOOD

Good food has the power to build our economy, and transform our everyday lives.

#### EMPOWERMENT

Our programs create participants to gain new skills and develop leadership

#### THE POWER OF OUR COLLECTIVE STRENGTHS

By working collaboratively, we and overall impact of the

#### STRONG COMMUNITIES

Our work is motivated by a desire to build inclusion and

#### JUSTICE & FAIRNESS

We believe everyone should be able to enjoy healthy food. We and poverty by working for





# **GROWING**

Nourish's Growing program provides resources, workshops, and support to Peterborough City and County's many community gardens.

45 Community Gardens

668 Gardeners

25,925 Seeds Distributed 759 Seedlings Distributed

\$160,000 Worth of Food Grown\*

292 Volunteers
3564 Volunteer Hours

\* Estimation based on comprehensive data from Cavalry Church Community Garden

# **EATING**

"The JustFood program has always been a vital component of what we're trying to do here at Cedar Grove Organic Farm. The model is an efficient way of getting food to consumers without over-extending our ability to deliver. It's food security that works both ways -- for the grower as well as for the consumer."

- Les Bowser, farmer

We promote local food in all of our programming, including the JustFood box, our cooking and canning workshops, and through the creation and distribution of Nourish Market Dollars. If 5 maken Ontarians spent \$10/week on local food, we could add \$3 billion to Ontario's economy. \$16,722 \$20,273 Local Food Purchased \$45,160 Prince Children Comme



# **ADVOCATING**

Nourish is dedicated to advocating for a **basic income** to end food insecurity by addressing its root cause: poverty.

10 Basic Income Events 275 People\*

Dr. Rosana Salvaterra Medical Officer of Health A basic income would mean... an end to poverty may deprivation. Names shipma innational to rely an weather. More security to the precessions. A bester Canada for all!

\* An estimated 183 unique individuals



Whether it's a trip out to harvest wild rice, or a community dinner to discuss basic income, our collaborations have brought people together around food, stengthening our community and nurturing a sense of belonging. By working collaboratively, we increase the quality, sustainability, and overall impact of the programs in the communities we serve.



Lovesick Lake Native Women's Association











We strive to build inclusion and enhance social connection. Good food is the primary ingredient. By harnessing the power of food, we're able to create meaningful opportunities for individuals to develop food literacy and civic literacy, as well as new relationships.

# 157 Opportunities To **Create Connections**

That's a workshop, dinner, or event every second day of the year!\*

. On average, every 2.3 days

"I know more people in my community than I have in the last ten years"

- Community Gardener

"Creating a shared culture is possible through food"

- Canning Workshop Participant









