Our Harvest of the Month PROGRAM provides a framework for institutions to source and promote locally produced foods. The program reaches over 400,000 K-12 students in 132 districts. 52% of those students qualify for free or reduced school meals.

Expanded POLICY efforts. Hosted 2nd Annual Farm to School Awareness Day, honored school garden leaders with Kale Blazer award. Supported bill to create a statewide Farm to School Grant Program. 32 partner organizations signed on to support the bill. 15 Senators & 32 Representatives are co-sponsoring the bill.

Provided TRAINING on local foods procurement, promotion, and education to institutions and farmers at our biennial conference, annual farm to school institute, and through workshops & individualized technical assistance.

Presented at 23 trainings educating 2400 FOOD SERVICE PROFESSIONALS, FARMERS & PRODUCERS & FISHERMEN, EDUCATORS, POLICYMAKERS, ADVOCATES, STUDENTS.

5TH MASS. FARM & SEA TO SCHOOL CONFERENCE  350 PARTICIPANTS

2ND MASSACHUSETTS FARM TO SCHOOL INSTITUTE

In the 2018-19 school year the Institute - a yearlong professional development opportunity for schools - grew to serve 8 districts, impacting 13,935 students.

“The Institute provided a unique opportunity to connect with like minded colleagues about the importance of farm to school in our region. It was packed full of useful information to bring back to our district to implement. Most importantly, the time spent networking with my Waltham team and Farm to School coach was priceless.”

-April Liles, Food Service Director, Waltham Public Schools