FOOD LEADERS LAB
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

What is the Food Leaders Lab?
Food Leaders Lab is an introductory-level course designed to increase awareness and knowledge about food justice and policy in Los Angeles. With a focus on developing leadership skills, the program incorporates educational and hands-on activities through guest lectures and discussions, small-group collaborations, and project-based learning.

Who is Food Leaders Lab for?
Food Leaders Lab targets local community members, organizations, and businesses interested in food justice and policy who are looking for opportunities to take a leadership role. We prioritize involvement from those most impacted by inequities in our food system such as communities of color, low-income, and under-served lacking resources.

What are the topics of the course?
The course covers topics such as Political Leadership, Food Justice History, Good Food Economy, Food Workers Rights, Healthy Food Access, Regeneration, Industrial Agriculture, Values-driven Food System, Food Sovereignty.

What skills will students develop?
The course trains students on Storytelling as an Organizing Tool, Coalition-building and Community Organizing, Policy and Data Analysis, Public Communications and Fundraising Strategies, and Decision-maker Advocacy.

Who did you partner with for the Food Leaders lab pilot?
Our partners included local nonprofits, educators, experts, and businesses such as Community Services Unlimited, Paul Robeson Community Wellness Center, Social Justice Learning Institute, American Friends Service Committee, Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust, and Brotherhood Crusade
When is the next Food Leaders Lab? Can I join the Food Leaders Lab in the next round?
Currently we are exploring opportunities to grow the program. For those who are interested in participating, collaborating, and/or partnering, please take a moment to share your information via our Interest Form. You will be added to our listserv and notified regarding updates and recruitment.

I am interested in Food Leaders Lab as professional development training for my staff. Do you do that?
We welcome the opportunity to discuss new collaborations or partnerships. Please take a moment to share more information through our Interest Form about your needs and how you want to partner with Food Leaders Lab.