Forgotten Foods Center



Recommendation

\$47,500 (1st year) to organize Staten Island youth of color to advocate for food justice on the North Shore.

Profile

Forgotten Foods Center was established when the mutual aid workers, neighbors, farmers, and chefs of the Forest Avenue ComeUnity Fridge in Mariners Harbor realized that community organizing and advocacy was necessary to address the root issues of food insecurity on Staten Island's North Shore. The group works with Staten Island youth of color who have been directly affected by food insecurity, giving them the framework and skills to advocate for food justice in their communities. Youth are trained in community organizing, participatory action research, asset mapping, event planning, and facilitation.

The Center also runs cooking and farming workshops, pop-up food markets, and community days for the broader community, highlighting historical and cultural food practices that have become nearly lost due to low food access and disinvestment in the area by the city.

Approach

Community Organizing

Year Established **2022**

Support Type

Start-up grant. Eligible for up to five years of funding.

Fund

Account 2 (Salomon fund for the youth & elderly)

Constituency

Low Income/Poor Neighborhood Residents

Grant History

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Strategies



Base Building



Leadership Development



Participatory Action Research



Popular Education

