



JANUARY 2011 NEWSLETTER

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2010 Accomplishments

The D.C. Farm to School Network had a busy 2010! With your support, we helped craft/pass/fund the [Healthy Schools Act](#), host a Healthy School Meals [Workshop](#) for school food service providers, organize the [Strawberries & Salad Greens](#) event, coordinate a successful [D.C. Farm to School Week](#), and we worked on many other [projects](#), [media mentions](#) and [publications](#). Visit www.dcfarmtoschool.org for more information, and we look forward to even more accomplishments in 2011!

School Food Film Screening & Discussion - Jan. 9th & 23rd

Join [Parents for Better D.C. School Food](#) in watching the award-winning documentary [Lunch Line](#) and discuss what's happening with school food here in D.C. and how to get involved. 8PM Sunday Jan. 9th @ Busboys & Poets 5th & K NW location and 8PM Sunday Jan. 23rd @ Busboys & Poets 14th & V NW location.

Healthy Schools Act Updates

Thank you to all of you who advocated for the Healthy Schools Act funding, and who testified at the implementation hearing. Read Andrea's testimonies [here](#). We also spearheaded a sign-on [letter](#) to the Council thanking them for fully funding the Act in 2011, but urging them to fund other critical supports and services for low-income families (and over a dozen local organizations signed on). Mary Cheh's office will release a proposed amendment to the Act early next month, and workshops/hearings to discuss changes to that Act will follow. Also, the Act was ranked the second biggest sustainable food [victory](#) in 2010!

D.C. Farm to School Network Volunteer Web Assistant Position Open

The D.C. Farm to School Network is looking for a dedicated volunteer to help 2-4 hours a week with website content, website updates and database management. Please read the full description and instructions for how to apply [here](#).

Healthy Urban Food Enterprise Development (HUFED) Grants - Letter of Intent due Jan. 14

HUFED grants are available to fund projects that increase access to affordable, healthy, local foods in under-served areas, and farm to school programs fit the description! Learn more about the grants and submit a Letter of Intent online [here](#) by Jan. 14th.



New "Current Projects" Page at dcfarmtoschool.org

Check out www.dcfarmtoschool.org/current-projects to see what we've been working on recently and what's to come!

D.C. Farm to School Directory

The D.C. Farm to School Network is starting a project that will list farms in the region interested to sell to schools, and D.C. schools interested to buy farm-fresh local products. We are currently researching best practices for "buyer-grower directories" and developing an outreach plan. Please contact Katherine at [katherine\(at\)dcfarmtoschool\(dot\)org](mailto:katherine@dcfarmtoschool.org) with any questions or suggestions.

USDA Farm to School Website (with grant opportunities)

Visit the USDA Farm to School Team's website, with fresh links to grant opportunities and more, at www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/F2S

We wish you a happy and healthy 2011!

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