



# Food System Economic Partnership

## Annual Report 2010

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### Our Purpose:

**Food System Economic Partnership (FSEP) exists to catalyze change in the food system of southeastern Michigan. As part of our work, we build partnerships between urban and rural communities that promote economic development opportunities for farmers and support healthy environments for residents of the communities we serve.**



*"FSEP exists to catalyze change that results in vibrant and sustainable food economies in communities across southeast Michigan."*



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## Jennifer's Food for Thought...

Through the work of our dedicated Board and volunteers, we've wrapped up another exciting year. Here are just a few of our successes in 2010.

- FSEP hosted and planned the National Farm to Cafeteria conference in Detroit in May drawing over 750 people from across the country. The field trips allowed participants to see first-hand the innovative work that is happening in Michigan including Earthworks, Agrarian Adventures, and MSU Student Organic Farm to name a few. A highlight of the conference was the proclamation by Governor Granholm who declared "Local Foods Week" during May 16-22 coinciding with the conference to encourage Michigan schools to feature local food on their menus.
- Hosted our fifth annual conference at the Jackson Career Center which drew over 125 participants with breakout sessions focused on the economics of local food along with Farm to School, land preservation, cooperative formation, and policy. The keynote speaker was Michael Sands, Executive Director of Liberty Prairie Foundation and Prairie Crossing's Farm Business Development Center – a farm incubator outside of Chicago.
- Partnered with Washtenaw Community College in our first "Small Holder Farm Career Day" designed to provide connections between farmers and buyers along with providing employment opportunities for those who seek to farm or work with a local food business.
- Provided facilitation and expertise in the launch of the Four Seasons Produce Cooperative to meet the market demand for year-round local produce.
- Hosted dozens of workshops, presentations and networking events for farmers, food service directors, and local food entrepreneurs.
- Represented southeast Michigan on the Michigan Commission of Agriculture.

We are making a difference to food and farming businesses across southeast Michigan. At a Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners meeting, local food entrepreneur, David Klingenberger owner of the Brinery spoke of FSEP's support for his business. He said that FSEP provided him with resources to "build a pickle empire in Washtenaw County". We are grateful for the knowledge and expertise of Business Development Specialist, Jane Bush, and Farm to Food Service Director, Michaëlle Rehmman who understand the needs of these food and farming businesses and use their skills, networking, and grassroots organizing to grow the local food movement. We are also grateful for the support of our individual donors and funders including the Americana Foundation, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, USDA, Whole Foods Market, and the counties of Monroe, Lenawee, Washtenaw, Jackson, and Wayne.



Tilian Farm Development Center,

## Beginning Farmer Research

Through a partnership with the University of Michigan's Community Based Research Fellowship Program, FSEP conducted Beginning Farmer Research in 2010 to determine the market opportunity for new programming. As the farming community continues to age, the need for new farmers becomes increasingly important.

One way to increase the number of farmers in production is through Beginning Farmer programs that provide financial, and educational support, in addition to providing access to tools and land. Through the development of a Beginning Farmer Program in southeast Michigan, FSEP is able to partner with other organizations to increase the number of new farmers entering the field, thus increasing the production of food for the local market, creating jobs for Michigan residents and economic opportunity for the farming community.

One of the programs FSEP is working with is Tilian Farm Development Center in Ann Arbor. Ann Arbor Township has provided a plot of land in for organizations to use to promote farming and agricultural business development. The mission of Tilian Farm Development Center is to facilitate new farm-business development in order to increase year-round diversified food production for local markets. "Tilian" is the Old English root word of "to till or to cultivate; to strive; to obtain." FSEP is a founding member of the Steering Committee which includes Four Season Farmer Development Program, The MSU Student Organic Farm, and SELMA Café. The group chose the name to represent the mission of having a vital local farm economy that will transform the land & people in and out of city. To learn more about the Beginning Farmer Program or the Tilian Development Center contact Jennifer Fike at [fikej@fsepmichigan.org](mailto:fikej@fsepmichigan.org).

## FSEP Policy Committee

Community leaders from across the FSEP service area convened in early 2010 to form the FSEP Policy Committee. The committee discussed broad goals such as a desire to be able to make informed statements about food policy issues, including food safety issues, and to recommend or influence policy changes that support small and local farmers, food entrepreneurs, and eaters, in southeastern Michigan. The committee decided to focus more specifically on three areas:



USDA Secretary Kathleen Merrigan touring Fusilier Family Farms in Manchester

- institutional food purchasing,
- economic development for food businesses,
- authoring white papers that provide information on data, examples and case studies to inform policy recommendations at the local, state and federal level.

Throughout the year, the policy committee was actively involved in sharing information with the local food community about the Federal Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act, Local Public Act 88, Public Act 116, SNAP benefits, the Michigan Good Food Charter and Project Fresh advocacy efforts.

In May, FSEP hosted Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Kathleen Merrigan at Fusilier Family Farms in Manchester. Secretary Merrigan was the keynote speaker at the 2010 National Farm to Cafeteria Conference and requested to visit farms involved in farm to school programs, while visiting in Michigan. Farmers Mike and Kathy Fusilier along with school food service directors Brant Russell (Jackson Public Schools), Patti Russell (Northwest Community Schools) and Alan Breneman (Concord Community Schools) shared the barriers to farm to school implementation and the unique ways they overcame these challenges. The USDA is looking at ways to overcome barriers such as those faced by the Fusiliers and food service directors, as part of their *Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food* work.

As part of the 2010 National Farm to Cafeteria conference, the FSEP policy committee worked with Governor Granholm to designate the week of May 17, 2010 *Michigan Local Food Week*. School cafeterias across the state featured locally grown fruits and vegetables and Michigan processed foods on their menus. A copy of the governor's proclamation can be viewed on the FSEP website.

On October 27, 2010 the committee hosted a panel event called "Putting the Michigan Good Food Charter to Work" targeted towards informing voters and politicians on local food issues prior to the November 2010 elections. FSEP in partnership with the Ecology Center, sponsored the event that drew more than 20 attendees and featured panelists from school gardens, food co-ops, farmers markets and institutional buyers. A community conversation followed the presentations and focused around what advocates could do to move the local food movement forward in their communities. State Senate candidate John Hochstetler, a farmer in Washtenaw County, attended and spoke for several minutes about the potential local food brings to our state's economy. Mr. Hochstetler challenged the audience to act now and not wait ten years for change to happen; to actively work to create change in our food system every day.

"Actively work to create change in our food system every day."

A challenge issued by  
John Hochstetler,  
State Senate Candidate 2010

In late 2010, the FSEP Policy committee began exploring the potential for development of a food policy council in Washtenaw County. Funding for this work was made possible through a partnership with Washtenaw County Public Health and the Building Healthy Communities grant. Work on the development of a food policy council will continue in 2011 as the committee plans to hold listening sessions, focus groups and conduct one-on-one interviews with key individuals in the community. To learn more about the FSEP Policy Committee or the Washtenaw Food Policy Council, contact Jennifer Fike at [fikej@fsepmichigan.org](mailto:fikej@fsepmichigan.org).

# Farm To School



Concord Food Service Staff

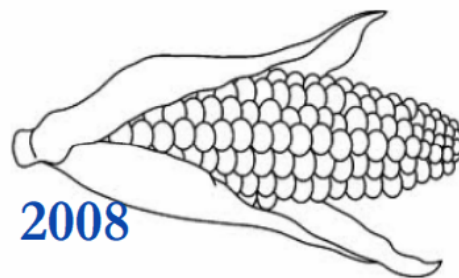
The FSEP Farm to School program connects schools (K-12) and local farms with the objective of serving healthy meals in school cafeterias, improving student nutrition, providing agriculture, health and nutrition education opportunities, and supporting local and regional farmers. Although it may seem natural for locally grown produce to be incorporated into the cafeteria meal programs, there are often a number of obstacles both Food Service Directors and Farmers face in starting a Farm to School program. The FSEP Farm to Food Service Program Director acts as a third-party facilitator and helps both Farmers and Food Service Directors work through the regulatory environment, distribution and marketing challenges that arise.

One school district participating in the FSEP Farm to School program is Concord Community Schools in Jackson County. Through FSEP’s technical assistance, school Food Service Director Alan Breneman was able to implement a year-round Farm to School program in the school district. Alan has been involved with the program for three years and has seen the positive affects it has had on the school. Alan feels that this is a great way to continue education in nutrition and agriculture within the school. Having fresh produce available in the schools helps to bring awareness of healthy eating habits to the students and their families. The program allows students to have their choice of fresh fruits and fresh vegetables with the daily meal plan. Giving the students a variety of options with fresh produce helps engage them in healthier eating. Not only does this program create benefits for the school, it supports the local economy.

The main source of the fresh produce for the schools meal program is from local farmers. Concord Schools’ produce is supplied by two farms located within twenty miles of the school, which helps reinvest their food dollars back into the community. Students develop a connection to the farmers who grow their food, and their families can support the farmers by shopping at nearby farmers markets. Since farmers selling to the school are nearby, they are able to provide produce picked at its peak, full of flavor, vitamins and nutrients. The farmers make weekly deliveries of produce to the schools which increases quality, reduces waste, and cuts down on travel costs. Alan places his order for the school each week using an on-line ordering form from the farm and by selecting from a variety of fruits and vegetable, such as: apples, watermelon, tomatoes, broccoli, cucumbers, and peas. Alan witnesses the success of the program when he sees the interest and excitement from the students at the produce station in the lunch line. The FSEP Farm to School Program has given the school district the inspiration to start their own hoop house to further agricultural education and learning opportunities. Alan is proud to be a success story of the Farm to School program, and hopes that it continues to expand and improve. To learn more about farm to school, contact Michaëlle Rehmman at [rehmannm@fsepmichigan.org](mailto:rehmannm@fsepmichigan.org).



FSEP launched "pilot" Farm to School program in three school districts.



FSEP’s Farm to School program expands into Jackson County. By fall 2008, eight school districts have farm to school programs.



# Impacts of Farm To School Beyond the School

In planning the 2010 National Farm to Cafeteria Conference, FSEP and Local Host Committee Planning Partners strived to provide opportunities for conference attendees to engage outside of the conference center and learn from the community they were visiting. The goal of each activity was to provide education and experiences that could motivate attendees and inspire them with something to take home to their own communities. One attendee impacted both personally and professionally by the conference was Susan Aaronson, Project Healthy Schools Coordinator and FSEP Farm to School Partner.

The conference gave me an appreciation of what was happening around the city, with community gardens and food banks.”  
- Susan Aaronson

Susan has been a member of the Ann Arbor Farm to School Collaborative, facilitated by FSEP, for over four years. “The conference gave me an appreciation of what was happening around the city [of Detroit], with community gardens and food banks.” Susan works with four charter schools in Detroit to help bring the Farm to School program to the students, but hadn’t engaged in other aspects of the local food movement in the city. By attending the receptions and fieldtrips, her knowledge of the impact of local food increased and she learned new ways to connect farm to school students to their community.

As well as making an impact in the Detroit area through her work, Susan took the time to start her own successful community garden plot at home through Project Grow in Ann Arbor. The garden includes; peppers, tomatoes, cucumbers, watermelon, and much more. Learning how to control pests, manage watering needs with rainfall and the impact of temperature changes, Susan has developed a deeper understanding of how food is grown and the challenges that face farmers. She is able to take this knowledge back to her students and teach them how to appreciate seasonality and how food is grown. FSEP is honored to have served as the local host committee for the National Farm to Cafeteria conference and to have the privilege to inspire people like Susan to do more for their local community. To learn more about Farm to School and how you can get involved visit [www.fsepmichigan.org](http://www.fsepmichigan.org) and click on the Farm to School tab.



FSEP’s Farm to School program expands into Wayne County and six school districts explore the possibility of starting programs. By the end of 2009, 14 school districts received technical assistance from FSEP for farm to school.

FSEP’s Farm to School Program continues to grow as four more school districts start programs, bringing the total to 18 programs by the end of 2010.

## 2010 National Farm to Cafeteria Conference



2010 National Farm to Cafeteria Conference Logo

The 2010 National Farm to Cafeteria Conference, held in Detroit Michigan, was a three day event bringing more than 750 people from all over the country together to connect and discuss farm to cafeteria programs for the greater good of their community. The conference, hosted by the National Farm to School Network is a collaborative effort of the Community Food Security Coalition and the Urban & Environmental Policy Institute. Workshops at the conference targeted farmers, food service directors, community members and facilitators by focusing on how to get local fresh food into more cafeterias. Cafeterias using local food may include schools, hospitals, daycares, colleges, universities and others. The conference also focused on the need for education and understanding of all aspects of the food system, from production on the farm, to distribution channels to the meals served. And many

workshops featured nutrition education and school gardens as tools in helping students develop an understanding of where our food comes from.

FSEP had the opportunity to serve as the local host for the 2010 National Farm and Cafeteria Conference in Detroit, and developed a program that got conference attendees out of the conference center and into the community to experience first hand the great local food work that is happening across southeast Michigan. By planning field trips to community and school gardens, and Eastern Market and local food distributors, FSEP was able to help bring awareness to the growing food system in Detroit. Just a few years ago only a handful of community gardens existed yet in 2010 there were more than 800 community gardens blossoming across the city. Many of these gardens are community based and located in neighborhoods with little or no access to fresh fruits and vegetables. The Detroit Agricultural Network (DAN) provides support and educational opportunities to community gardeners and coordinates produce sales under the “Grown in the D” label. Conference attendees were able to visit several of the DAN gardens and learn about market opportunities that have been developed through collaboration.

Several institutional buyers that are taking advantage of the food being grown in the city were highlighted during the conference as they recognize their purchases have the ability to create economic opportunities for their fellow neighbors. Sites visited included Detroit Public Schools, which began their farm to school program in the fall of 2009 with technical assistance from FSEP. Detroit Public Schools started their farm to school program by purchasing from Detroit farmers, such as D-Town Farms, which was also highlighted on the trip.

FSEP coordinated pre- conference events that included a day at a Detroit Tigers baseball game where local food was served. The local food day at the ballpark was a joint effort between Detroit Tigers owner, Michael Ilitch and FSEP. Ilitch owns several food, sports, and entertainment industries throughout southeastern Michigan, has been instrumental in Detroit’s downtown redevelopment efforts and supportive of the local food movement. FSEP was pleased to have the opportunity to work with Ilitch and the Detroit Tigers vendors to supply local food for the conference attendees during their ball park outing. After the game, an evening reception was held at Gleaner’s Food Bank, offering attendees an opportunity to network with one another, as well as, tour Earthworks Garden. Area chefs prepared delicious hors d’oeuvres featuring the bounty of the season.

The conference's opening reception took place at The Henry Ford, a place that highlights America’s innovative spirit and Michigan's agricultural bounty. Led by Susan Schmidt and Chef Nick Seccia, the staff at the Henry Ford purchases nearly 60% of the food used in the museum restaurant and at events from local farmers. Hosting the reception at the Henry Ford allowed conference participants to see institutional use of local food in action and network with one another in a beautiful setting.

In addition to providing opportunities for conference attendees to visit gardens, distributors and institutional buyers, FSEP planned a Community Service project, with help from Greening of Detroit and financial support from the Detroit Food & Fitness Collaborative. A great school garden helps strengthen a Farm to School program, so on the last day of the conference, nearly 100 attendees had the opportunity to get their hands dirty and give back to the host community by building school gardens at three Detroit schools. It was a great opportu-

## 2010 National Farm to Cafeteria Conference

### Thank You to the Local Host Committee Members:

Michaëlle Rehmann, Food System Economic Partnership  
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 Betti Wiggins, Detroit Public Schools



2010 National Farm to Cafeteria Conference  
Community Service Project

## 5th Annual FSEP Conference

### 2010 FSEP Conference Sponsors

- CS Mott Chair of Sustainable Agriculture
- Grazing Fields Co-op
- SYSCO Food Services of Detroit
- USDA Rural Development

A huge thank you to our conference sponsors and volunteers for their help in making this event possible!

The fifth annual FSEP conference was held in Jackson County on June 24th, 2010 at the Jackson Career and Technical Center. More than 150 local food advocates came together for a day of networking and knowledge sharing. Workshops covered a range of topics focused on overcoming the barriers and challenges of growing a local food market, and panels of farmers, business leaders and community members shared their experiences with attendees. New programs were highlighted as well including the Michigan Good Food Charter and the Michigan Neighborhood Food Movers Program.

An inspiring keynote address was given by Michael Sands, Executive Director of Liberty Prairie Foundation, a private operating foundation dedicated to providing leadership in natural resource management and land conservation in northern Illinois. Sands also founded and runs the Farm Business Development Center, a business incubator for beginning organic farmers committed to creating financially rewarding and ecologically healthy farm businesses in the suburban landscape. Attendees enjoyed a locally inspired lunch which featured meats, dairy, eggs, fruits and vegetables from small family farms in the FSEP service area. If you missed the conference, you can check out workshops slides and presentations on-line at: [www.slideshare.net/event/2010-fsep-conference](http://www.slideshare.net/event/2010-fsep-conference).

# Four Seasons Produce Cooperative



During 2010, FSEP Business Development Specialist Jane Bush helped growers in southeast Michigan form the Four Seasons Produce Cooperative as a way to help local farmers work together instead of competing against one another. The co-op assists with marketing and business aspects, helps the farmers involved get a fair price for their crop, and provides supply to meet the year-round local food demand. Conversation around forming a co-op began in early 2010 and by the end of the year, the co-op had commitments from six farmers and eight hoop houses, with the goal of generating 80 pounds of spinach per week in the spring of 2011 for Allegiance Hospital in Jackson. The members are actively recruiting more farmers and they hope to have 25 additional growers by

fall 2011 and are lining up additional institutional buyers for the produce.

Lisa Brown, a farmer in the co-op who now is on the Co-op Board of Directors, sheds light on the benefits of the co-op for its participating members. Lisa has been a market gardener for several years and was having a hard time making through living farming. She called FSEP for business development assistance and attended a meeting with farmers and food service directors in early 2010. At the meeting, she saw the market opportunity for local foods in institutional settings and immediately knew she wanted to be involved. Jane Bush provided technical assistance to Lisa, advised her to build a larger hoop house so she could grow crops year round, and invited her to attend meetings of the newly formed co-op. Lisa took Jane’s advice, is now an active member in the co-op and has a successful hoop house operation. She enjoys selling to the hospital because she knows she is going to make a living and earn a fair price for her product.

“FSEP has been very supportive of everything involved in local food and farming.”  
-Lisa Brown, Jackson farmer

Allegiance hospital has been an enthusiastic and supportive partner of the project from the beginning. Now other hospitals are expressing interest in buying the fresh produce from the co-op, and Lisa is excited to see that these hospitals “just want to buy local food.” The Four Seasons Produce Cooperative started out by focusing on selling one crop to one hospital, so they could get growing schedules, delivery systems and organizational structure in place. As they develop consistency, they will expand production and outreach which will enable them to generate more income and a strong customer base.

A wide variety of vegetables can be grown in a hoop house and used in cafeterias at schools, hospitals and universities. Lisa stated “I have grown lettuce, spinach, carrots, tomatoes, peppers, kale, romaine, just about any vegetables depending on the time of year”. By increasing her production capacity and ability to meet year round demand, Lisa is able to earn a living wage from farming.

Lisa is very grateful to FSEP for giving her the opportunity to be a member of the co-op and helping her receive grants to fund the building of her hoop house. Lisa says that FSEP has been a huge help to her, working with FSEP ensures that she can sell all the produce she has before it goes bad and she doesn’t have to worry about it. FSEP is a huge part of Lisa’s success as a farmer and Lisa says that “FSEP has been very supportive of everything involved in local food and farming.” To learn more about the co-op or FSEP Business Development Services, contact Jane Bush at [bushj@fsepmichigan.org](mailto:bushj@fsepmichigan.org).



Lisa Brown conducting a tour of her hoop house.

## FSEP Business Development by the Numbers...

- In 2010, the FSEP Business Development program provided...
- Business Planning Services to 28 food and farming businesses.
- Workshops on the local food market and how to sell to institutions, more than 100 people attended.
- Networking opportunities for farmers and food service directors, reaching 30 people.
- Technical support for the development of the Four Seasons Produce Cooperative, which includes six farms.
- Technical support for the development of The Green Market in Jackson, providing an outlet for 8 farmers to sell their products from May - October.
- Assisted 12 new farmers in developing sustainable business models and facilitated connections to local markets.
- Assisted Jackson Public Library in obtaining resources for farming related business development.
- Facilitated the development of a community food profile for Jackson County through partnership with Community Action Agency and Allegiance Health.
- Provided technical assistance to Michigan Department of Agriculture, Egg subcommittee on the revision of the 1963 Egg law.
- Serves on the advisory board for Tilian Development Center.

"I wouldn't be in business now if it weren't for FSEP's help."

-David Klingenberger, owner  
The Brinery

## FSEP Financial Report Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2010

### Statement of Activities

<b>Revenue:</b>	<b>FY2010</b>	<b>FY2009</b>
Contributions & Grants	\$ 48,016	\$ 92,709
Program Revenue	97,978	143,969
Special Events	1,055	921
Miscellaneous	12,323	
Interest	225	318
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$159,597</b>	<b>\$ 237,917</b>
<b>Expense:</b>		
Program Service Costs	\$146,689	\$167,835
Management & General	8,496	11,070
Fundraising	5,220	5,203
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 160,405</b>	<b>\$ 184,108</b>
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ (808)</b>	<b>\$ 53,809</b>
<b>Net Assets, beg of year</b>	<b>\$ 75,733</b>	<b>\$ 21,924</b>
<b>Net Assets, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 74,925</b>	<b>\$ 75,733</b>

### Statement of Financial Position

	<b>Assets</b>	
	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2009</b>
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash	\$ 85,195	\$148,054
Accounts Receivable	39,771	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$124,966</b>	<b>\$148,054</b>
	<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 2,034	\$ 889
Accrued Expenses		12,815
Unearned Income	48,007	58,617
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 50,041</b>	<b>\$ 72,321</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 74,925</b>	<b>\$ 75,733</b>
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 74,925</b>	<b>\$ 75,733</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 124,966</b>	<b>\$ 148,054</b>

# FSEP 2010 Board Members

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