



USDA Farm to School Grant Award

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Kane County Agriculture Committee
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USDA Farm to School Program

Designed to increase the availability of local foods in schools, grants can help new farm to school programs get started or expand existing efforts.

Funds support a wide range of activities from training, planning, and developing partnerships to creating new menu items, establishing supply chains, offering taste tests to children, purchasing equipment, planting school gardens, and organizing field trips to agricultural operation.



Kane County's Proposal

Continuation and expansion of the Fresh and Local Food gardening and education program at the Kane County Juvenile Justice Center – piloted in the summer of 2017 & 2018

Key Objectives:

- Installation of raised-bed vegetable gardens with hands-on learning demonstration
- Technical assistance to modify the JJC's food procurement policies to incorporate more local food



Key Objectives Continued

- Recruitment of contract Program Coordinator (oversee all project activities) and Garden Manager.
- Incorporate farm to school curriculum into the JJC's educational programming.
- Development of a farm to school best practices guidebook for juvenile detention facilities and community partners to adopt demonstration garden programs and local food procurement policies.

Project Partners



REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION
KANE COUNTY



KANE COUNTY COURT SERVICES
JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER



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Budget Summary

*Expenditures over 2-year period

Contractual

- Program Coordinator	\$54,600
- Garden Manager	\$9,000
- Evaluation Contractor	\$3,750
- Writing & Editing	\$4,800
- Graphic Design	\$5,600

Supplies \$6,080

Administrative \$9,500

Total \$93,330

ANNOUNCEMENT

Tour of Dream Distributors Food Hub Facilities

(Invitation to Agriculture Committee members and committee partners)

When: Thursday, August 23

(Immediately following Ag. Committee Meeting)

Where: Dream Hub, 1544 Fleetwood Dr, Elgin, IL 60123

