

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**20  
24**



**EDUCATION  
STEWARDSHIP  
SUSTAINABILITY**

“There is a lot of wisdom held by locals who are working towards self-sufficiency here in Nebraska. No More Empty Pots amplifies this wisdom and helps circulate it. We create opportunities for people to come together, share knowledge, practice new skills, and become more connected with our food system.”

**Dex Gabriel-Woods**  
Community Education Manager



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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT/CEO

I am filled with immense excitement and a deep sense of pride for all that we've achieved together in 2024. **In partnership with each of you, last year was a time of transformation at No More Empty Pots.**

Our accomplishments are a true testament to our growth and the power of thinking boldly and differently about the work we do. **Thank you for showing up and showing out.**

New strides were made internally to set the team up for success, like rolling out a new operating system that provides the tools and framework to execute our mission with more efficiency and purpose. Also, the introduction of an Accountability Chart was a game-changer for how roles are structured and communicated.

These changes brought much-needed clarity, alignment and responsibility at every level. There's now a clear path for both professional development and personal growth for every team member. This has opened doors for people to step into leadership roles they hadn't taken on before.

And through all of this, we've made sure that every staff member, intern and student of No More Empty Pots earns a living wage. **A huge thank you for making this possible.**

**But that was just the beginning.** Together, we have expanded our reach and deepened our connection with those we serve, wrestling in one of our biggest years of growth yet!

The reach of programming expanded into 49 zip codes, up from 40 last year. This allowed us to connect with more neighbors, food businesses owners, farmers and producers, creating an even larger impact on our local food system. **Overall, No More Empty Pots served 10% more people in 2024, totaling over 5,043 individuals.**

Specifically, our network of vendors saw a 185% increase from last year—a testament to the growing demand and need of our work!

Our educational partners also grew by over 25%, demonstrating our commitment to amplifying the good work already happening in our community and choosing to partner and stretch our impact.

**When everyone's energy is going in the same direction, our accumulated drive kicks in and creates exponential force.** These accomplishments belong to all of us, and together, we are driven by a clear vision of why we do this work.

This is what drives us at No More Empty Pots—to lead from a place of purpose that inspires change not just at our organization but across the entire community.

We've made tremendous progress, but we're not done yet. We are at a critical point where we have reached ceilings and are ready to break through to even greater heights. I know there's so much more to come, and I am excited to continue this work alongside all of you.

The truth is that before you grow, **you'll need to take a leap of faith.**

Thank you for your faith in No More Empty Pots!



*Talia McGill*

Talia McGill  
President/CEO  
No More Empty Pots



## 2024 IMPACT AT A GLANCE

We are grateful to everyone who's committed to supporting our mission of making local food a catalyst for systemic change in Omaha, Nebraska, and Iowa. Your generous gifts play a crucial role in making this possible.

**Thank you for changing the lives of over 5,043 individuals in 49 zip codes.**



We provided technical assistance to over **34 entrepreneurs** to help them start or grow their small food business and become greater contributors to our local food system and value chain.



We sourced **600+ unique produce and food products** from over **114 local farmers, producers, ranchers, and food entrepreneurs** within a **400 mile radius** of Omaha.



We grew **65 unique plant varieties** at the No More Empty Pots Greenhouse and Food Hub using hydroponics and traditional soil growing methods.



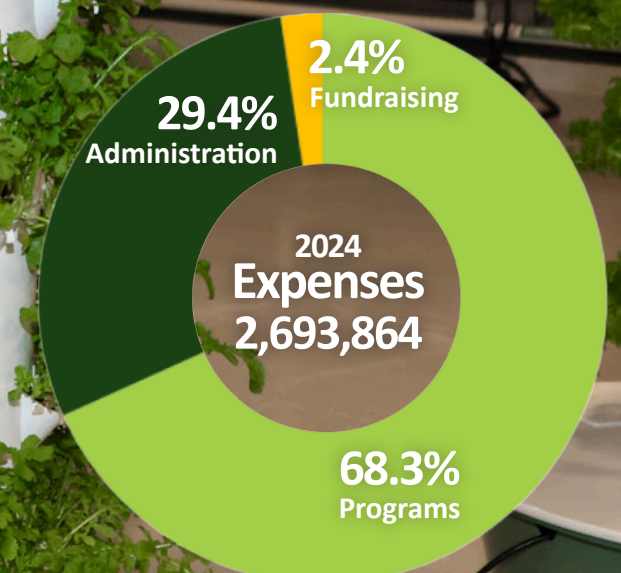
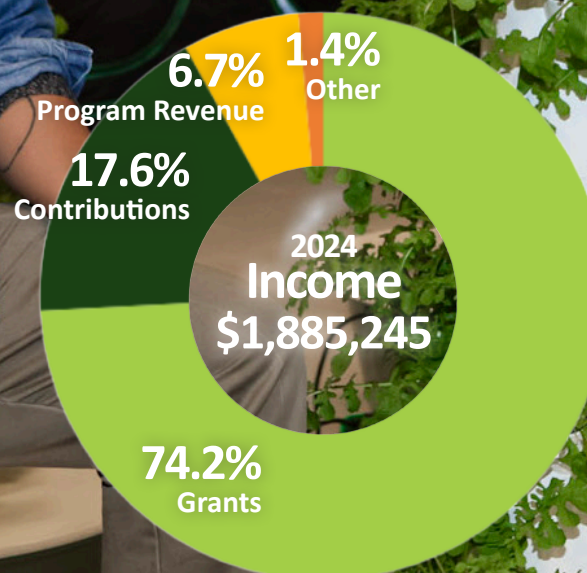
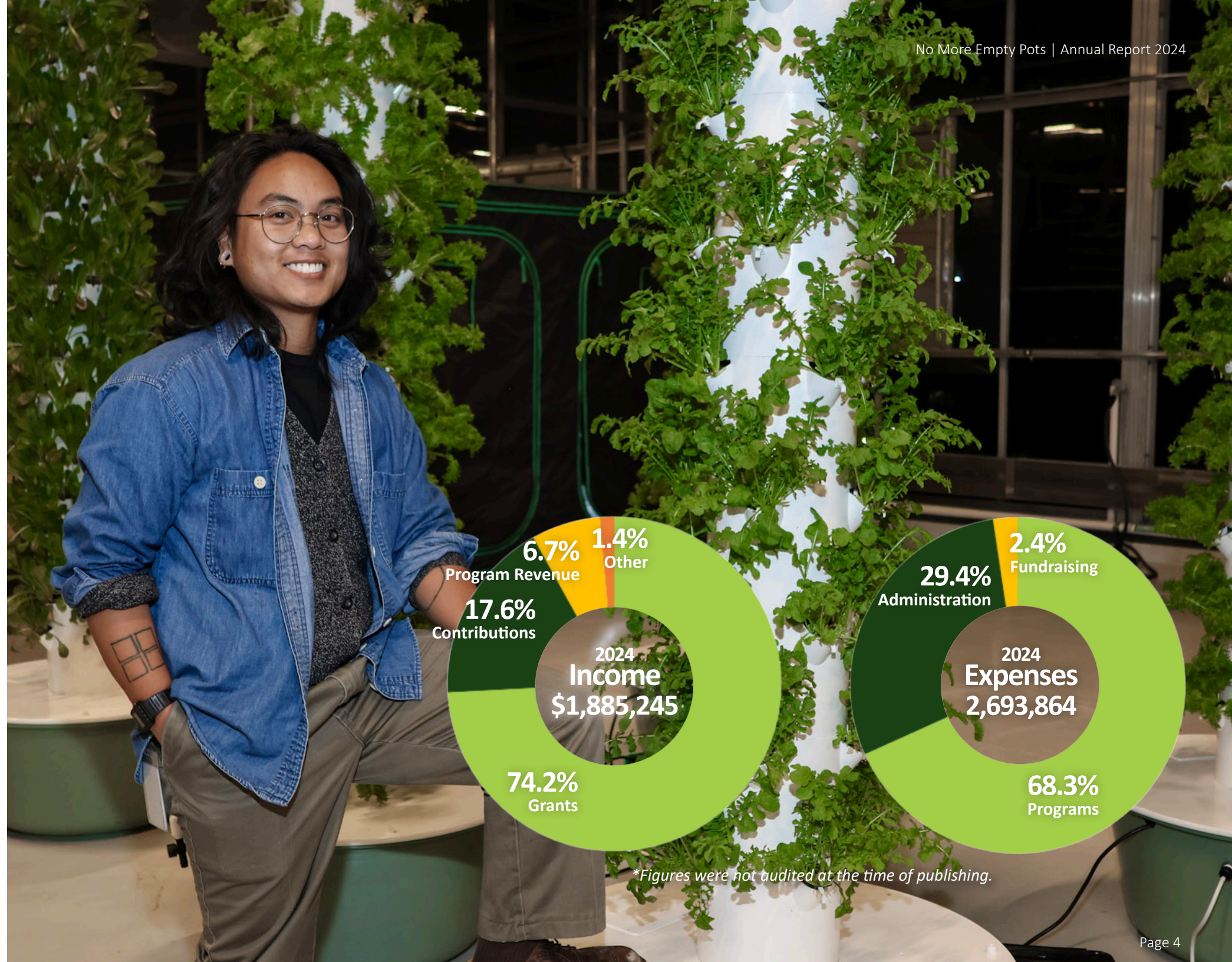
We provided over **627 hours of education** focused on nutrition, gardening, cooking, and STEM topics to **1,986 individuals**, ranging from youth to seniors.



We provided culinary certificates to **35 adults**. **83%** of graduates in 2024 are now making a **living wage** in Omaha.



We opened the **Micro Market storefront** in the Highlander neighborhood of North Omaha and distributed **4,887 Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) shares** and **8,972 prepared meals**.



*\*Figures were not audited at the time of publishing.*

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION

To promote self-sufficiency, No More Empty Pots provides education on **food preparation, gardening, and nutrition** through tailored programs and partnerships to empower participants with essential life skills and foster a deeper connection to the local food system. In addition, the **Claire M. Hubbard Science Internship** was launched in 2024, offering a paid opportunity for high school students to explore STEM career fields.

**627**  
hours of education provided

**1,986**  
individuals impacted

**72%**  
experienced a positive lifestyle change

**8**  
high school interns enrolled

**1,290**  
internship hours completed

**47**  
community partners engaged in programming

### 2024 Community Education Partners

- |                                   |   |                                       |
|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| All Saints School                 | Hitchcock Nature Center                 | Mount View Elementary                 |
| B&B Sports Academy                | Home Care Advantage                     | Northwest High School                 |
| Benson High School                | Howard Kennedy Elementary               | Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium |
| Boys & Girls Club of the Midlands | Integrated Life Choices                 | Peter Kiewit Foundation               |
| Central Park Elementary           | Keep Omaha Beautiful                    | Summer Fun                            |
| Charles Drew Health Center        | King Science & Technology Middle School | Pine Elementary                       |
| Civic Nebraska                    | Kellom Elementary                       | Sacred Heart School                   |
| Collective For Youth              | Kiewit Luminarium                       | Seventy Five North                    |
| Completely KIDS                   | Lamp Rynearson                          | Revitalization Corp.                  |
| Douglas County Health Department  | Lauritzen Gardens                       | Skatefest Omaha                       |
| Duchesne Academy                  | Liberty Elementary                      | The Nature Conservancy                |
| Durham Museum                     | Lothrop Elementary                      | The Union For Contemporary Art        |
| Druid Hill Elementary             | Malcolm X Memorial Foundation           | University of Nebraska                |
| Field Club Elementary             | Metropolitan Community College          | Medical Center                        |
| Florence Elementary               | Minne Lusa Miller Park                  | University of Nebraska Omaha          |
| Gifford Park Elementary           | Neighborhood Association                | Washington Elementary                 |
| Healing Roots African             | Morton Middle School                    | Walnut Hill Elementary                |
| Diaspora Garden                   |   |                                       |



“The Claire M. Hubbard Science Internship helped me explore different parts of Omaha and gain new perspectives and information. I really appreciated that the lessons were tied to North Omaha, where I grew up and where I hope to make an impact in my future career.”



**Dalilah**  
Spring 2024 Intern



“I learned how to make hot sauce from scratch and about the history of peppers. I also learned about knife safety in the kitchen. The biggest change I’m experiencing because of the Healing Roots program is meeting new people in my community and learning more about gardening.”



**Anonymous**  
Healing Roots Participant

## ENTREPRENEURSHIP

No More Empty Pots seeks to address the barriers that many food entrepreneurs face to reach success.

Entrepreneurship programs and opportunities at No More Empty Pots are dedicated to supporting new and existing food business owners with the skills, tools, and resources needed to launch and sustain successful operations. All offerings aim to ensure business dreamers have an equitable opportunity to navigate the competitive entrepreneurial landscape.



"[My award funds] went towards designing a new website, which definitely helped grow my business... The timing was excellent because it was right before the holiday season. The remaining funds are going toward updating our packaging and giving extra emphasis to our use of real butter, which is what makes Dundee Popcorn so special!"



### Ericka Whaley

2024 Pitch Contest Winner  
Owner, Dundee Popcorn



"My time spent with No More Empty Pots really helped me get all my recipes and timing together. It is a great space to cook and build your community relationships from."

### Jeremy Wentland

2024 Kitchen Renter  
Owner, Chicken Bucket Catering

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No More Empty Pots staff were trained as Kauffman FastTrac® facilitators

60

coaching sessions conducted by external business mentors

837

hours of rented kitchens

10

entrepreneurs competed in a pitch contest

12

entrepreneurs sponsored to attend the Fundamentals of Entrepreneurship course

10

new businesses onboarded in the commercial kitchens

23

businesses rented kitchens

2

renters opened their own brick-and-mortar locations

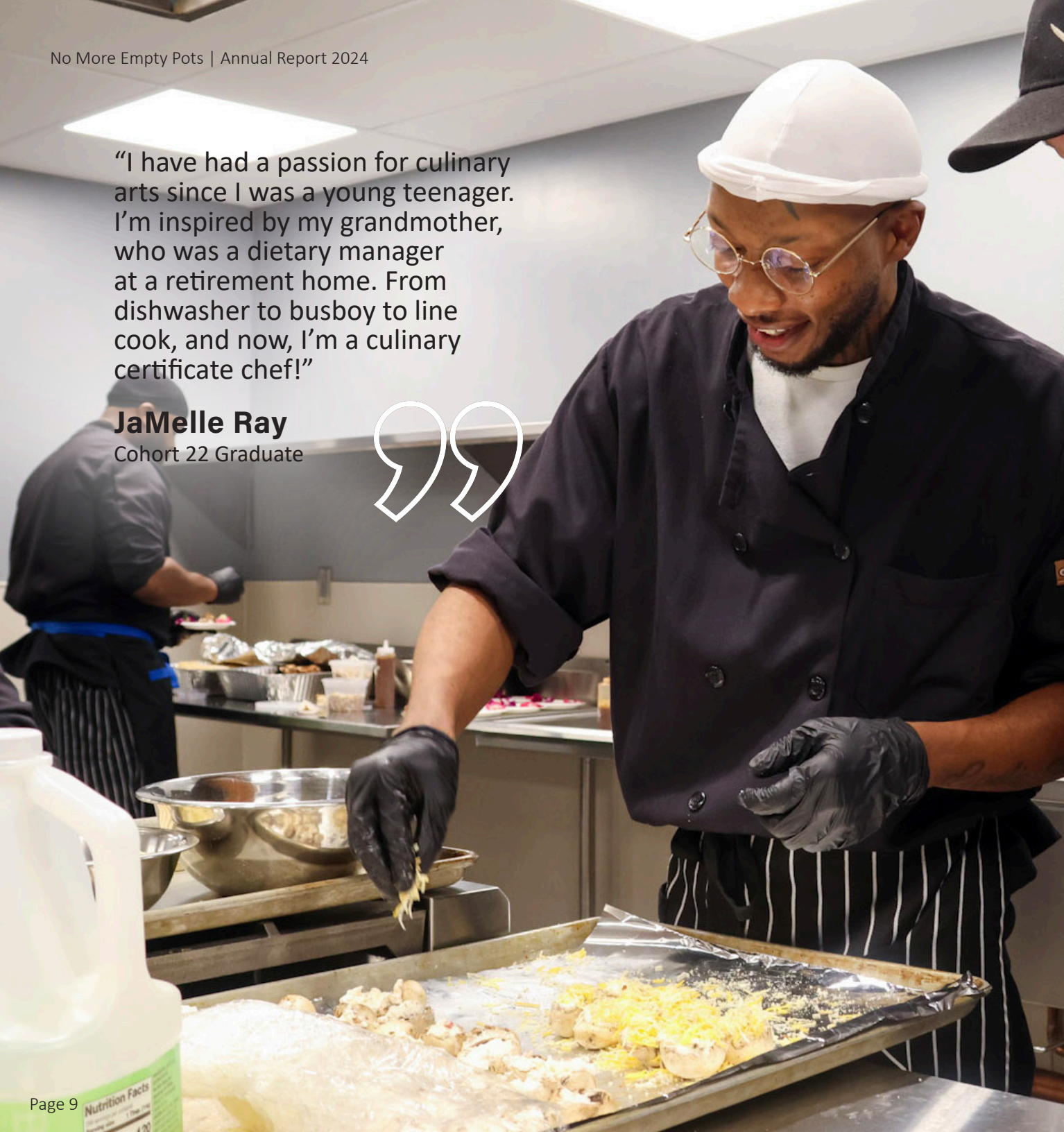
### 2024 Kitchen Renters

Alecia Steed - Busy Vegan  
Alice Goodwin - Aleece's Sugar Shoppe  
Aminata Fall - Ami's Kitchen  
Corinne Honan - Sweet Earth Delights  
Cosmos Awortwi - Kingdom Catering Services  
David "Universal" Arthur - Best Burger  
DeVaute Nunn - Haven Express Omaha  
Djibril Bah-Traore - House of Bah  
Donniel Hardy - Yell's Creation  
Ericka Whaley - Dundee Popcorn  
Evan Brockman - Sandwich Proper  
Ines Dagnon - Ready Délices  
Jeremy Wentland - Chicken Bucket Catering LLC

LaRece Blackstone - Leggs & Things LLC  
Marguerite Shaddy - Inspire Me, Rosa  
Monique Cribbs - Omaha Cravings Co.  
Orlanda Whitfield - Still Poppin Gourmet Popcorn  
Ronell Bonner - TopSpoT Catering Inc.  
Sarah Wells-Britt - Sarah's Southern Comfort  
Tasneem Shaik - Shaik's Catering Services  
Tony Sanders - Taste Of Heaven Food Enterprise  
Tyler Hanglely - Full Prep Fitness Meals  
Anonymous

“I have had a passion for culinary arts since I was a young teenager. I’m inspired by my grandmother, who was a dietary manager at a retirement home. From dishwasher to busboy to line cook, and now, I’m a culinary certificate chef!”

**JaMelle Ray**  
Cohort 22 Graduate



## WORKFORCE

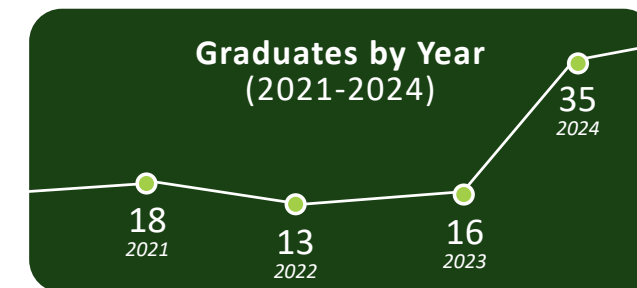
## READINESS

The eight-week **Culinary Certificate Program** provides workforce readiness training and hands-on culinary instruction for adults interested in employment within the food service industry. The program is accepted for college credit equivalency and accredited by the **Nebraska Department of Education**. In 2024, six ceremonies celebrated **35 graduates** of the program.

**35**  
culinary certificate graduates

**4,655**  
hours completed by culinary students

**83%**  
of graduates make a living wage



### 2024 Culinary Certificate Program Graduates

- Jonny “Devonte” Abram, C. 23
- Tareya Burton, Cohort 24
- Conswella Cooper, Cohort 27
- Char’donnai Holts, Cohort 26
- Kelsey Escobar, Cohort 22
- Erica “Remedy” Gonzales, C. 25
- Mariam Guido, Cohort 24
- Lace Hughes, Cohort 23
- Jessica Hudson, Cohort 27
- John Ramirez, Cohort 24
- Blanca Riera, Cohort 24
- JaMelle Ray, Cohort 22
- Samaja Swift, Cohort 27
- MyMy Jones, Cohort 23
- Natajia Jones, Cohort 24
- Shekinah Kiagiri, Cohort 25
- Kamae Mitchell, Cohort 22
- Dillon Martinez, Cohort 23
- Deleeda Montgomery, Cohort 27
- Antasia Montgomery, Cohort 22
- Monica Jackson, Cohort 27
- LaQuante Maxwell, Cohort 22
- Trino Hernandez, Cohort 24
- Safari Onyx, Cohort 25
- Madeline Lynch, Cohort 25
- Peter David, Cohort 27
- Lynn Watkins-Tilmon, Cohort 26
- Rita Taylor, Cohort 23
- Valmore Hernandez, Cohort 24
- Jasmine Smith, Cohort 25
- Saivyon Wilson, Cohort 23
- Anonymous, Cohort 24

## VALUE CHAIN

No More Empty Pots strengthens the local value chain – and all the businesses throughout – by helping move food from farm to table locally and regionally. Value chains aim to enhance economic resilience, increase local investment, create and sustain jobs, and improve the quality of life for producers and consumers.

We invest in the economy and food system by promoting the market expansion of area farmers. No More Empty Pots sourced over **600 unique food products** from **114** producers, farmers, ranchers, food distributors and food entrepreneurs. This includes **6 distributors** and **45 new vendors**. We also provided procurement services and support, so other local consumers, businesses, early-education providers, and healthcare institutions can also prioritize sourcing locally and regionally.

**114**  
unique vendors

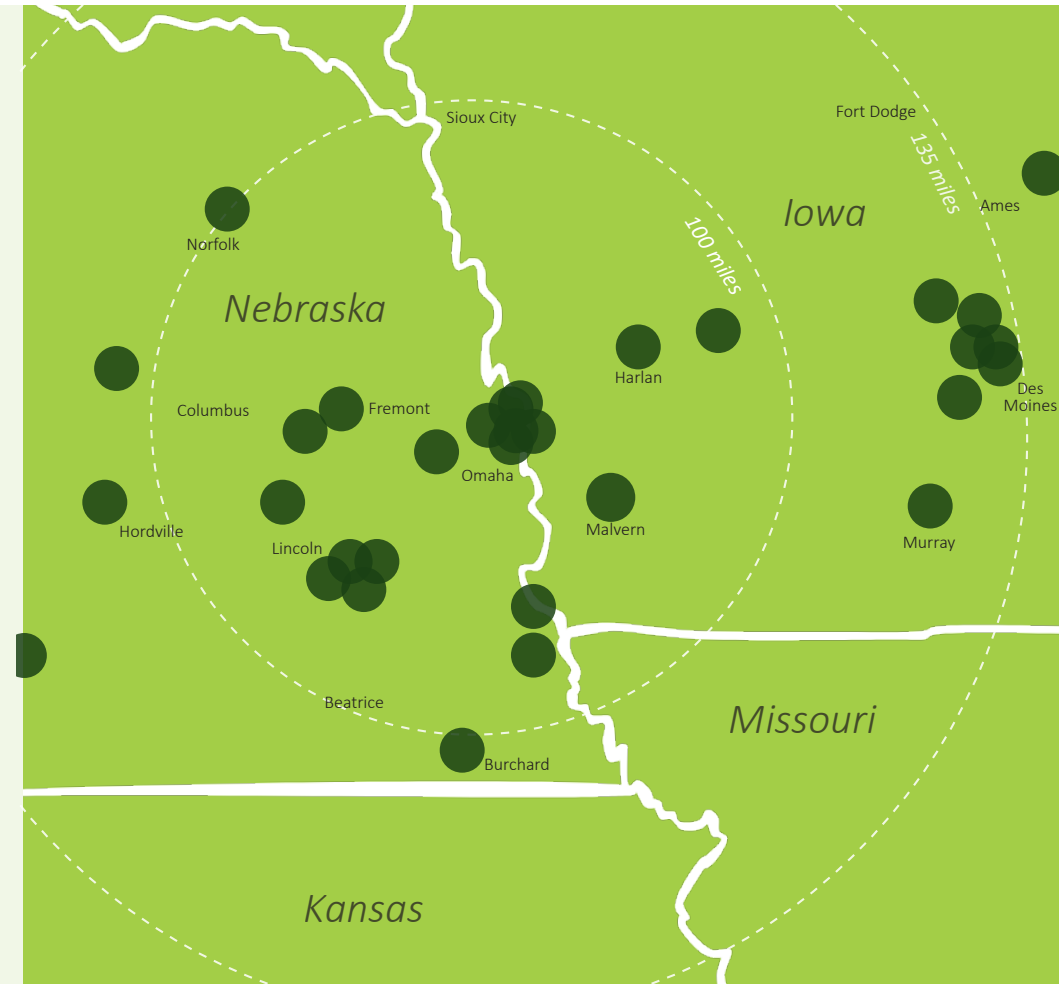
**45**  
new vendors sourced from

**36**  
food entrepreneurs received technical assistance

### 2024 Local and Regional Vendors

Abie Vegetable People - Abie, NE  
 American Hazelnut Company - Viroqua, WI  
 Anchor Meadow Farm - Milford, NE  
 Bartling Family Pork - Unadilla, NE  
 Benson Bounty - Omaha, NE  
 Big Mama's - Omaha, NE \*  
 Black Chick Farm - Omaha, NE \*  
 Blue Gates Farm - Chariton, IA  
 Bridgewater Farm - Bridgewater, IA  
 Brun Ko Farm - Exira, IA  
 Buffalo Ridge Orchard - Central City, IA  
 Camp Creek Organic Produce - Kalona, IA  
 Capo di Tutto Pasta - Lincoln, NE \*  
 Cedar Valley Farm - West Salem, Ohio  
 Central Nebraska Buffalo - Hordville, NE  
 Classen Land & Cattle - Saint Edward, NE \*  
 Country View Dairy - Hawkeye, IA  
 Crow Butte Beef - Lincoln, NE \*  
 Dan and Debbie's Creamery - Ely, IA \*  
 Daniels Produce - Columbus, NE  
 Delish Farms - Hallam, NE  
 Ditmar's Orchard - Council Bluffs, IA  
 Dogpatch Urban Gardens - Des Moines, IA \*  
 Dundee Popcorn - Omaha, NE  
 Dutch Girl Creamery - Lincoln, NE  
 Early Morning Harvest - Panora, IA  
 Ellsworth Crossing - Waterloo, NE \*\*  
 Ensign Beverage - Hastings, NE \*  
 Fagerberg Produce - Eaton, CO \*  
 Farmers Hen House - Kalona, IA  
 FarmTable Procurement & Delivery - Harlan, IA \*  
 Fat Head Honey - Clarkson, NE \*  
 Feather Star Farms - Morse Bluff, NE \*  
 Flavor Country Farms - Crescent, IA  
 Frisian Farms - Leighton, IA  
 Grain Place Foods - Marquette, NE  
 Grandview Farm - Fremont, NE  
 Great River Maple - Garnavillo, IA  
 Green Stems Farm - Glenwood, IA  
 Halls' Orchard - Madrid, IA  
 Hanna Valley Protein - Des Moines, IA \*  
 Hansen Dairy - Hudson, IA \*  
 Hillside Farm - Lexington, NE \*  
 Hue Hill Farm - Iowa City, IA  
 Hungenberg Produce - Iowa City, IA \*  
 Hunter's Honey - Hickman, NE

Inspire Me, Rosa - Omaha, NE \*  
 Iowa Food Hub - Decorah, IA  
 Iowa Orchard - Urbandale, IA  
 Jisa's Farmstead Cheese - Brainard, NE  
 Joyful Greens - Des Moines, IA  
 Junge Produce - Underwood, IA  
 Kalona Supernatural - Kalona, IA  
 Kansas City Canning Co - Kansas City, MO \*  
 Kismet Kombucha - Grimes, IA \*  
 La Quercia Cured Meats - Norwalk, IA \*  
 Lia's Produce - Omaha, NE \*  
 Lone Tree Foods - Lincoln, NE \*  
 Long Walk Farm - Council Bluffs, IA  
 Lor's Produce - Papillion, NE \*  
 Lu's Flowers & Vegetables - Fremont, NE  
 Madsen Stock Farm - Audubon, IA  
 Manifest Acres - Omaha, NE  
 Manley View Farm - Murdock, NE  
 Milkweed Kitchen - Lincoln, NE \*  
 Milton Creamery - Milton, IA \*  
 Moose's Mad Fresh - Lincoln, NE \*  
 Nebraska Food Co-op - Julian, NE \*  
 Nebraska Micro Farms - Omaha, NE \*  
 Nebraska Vegetable & Protein - Nebraska City, NE  
 No More Empty Pots Greenhouse - Omaha, NE \*  
 Oasis Hummus - Iowa City, IA \*  
 Old Captiol Food Company - Iowa City, IA \*  
 Omaha Sunflower Cooperative - Omaha, NE \*  
 Omstead Family Farms - Omaha, NE  
 One Farm - Logan, IA  
 Papa Rico's - Ankeny, IA \*  
 Pasta of the Prairie - Marion, IA \*  
 Pekarek's Produce - Dwight, NE  
 Picket Fence Creamery - Woodward, IA  
 Pickle Creek Herbs - Fairfield, IA \*  
 Picnic Hill Orchard - Lincoln, NE \*  
 Plum Creek Farms - Burchard, NE  
 Prairie Rose - Ayr, NE  
 Robinette Farms - Martell, NE \*  
 Sandhills Elixir - Valentine, NE  
 Schweizer Orchards - Saint Joseph, MO  
 Shetler Farm - Murray, IA \*  
 Simply Sunflower - North Loup, NE  
 Small's Fruit - Lincoln, NE  
 Source Farms - Hoskins, NE  
 Sown Local Foods - Malvern, IA \*



Squeaky Green Organics - Omaha, NE  
 Star Center Farm - Omaha, NE  
 State Line Produce - Lime Springs, IA \*  
 Sterzings Potato Chips - Burlington, IA \*  
 Still Poppin Gourmet Popcorn - Omaha, NE  
 Straight Arrow Bison - Broken Bow, NE  
 Strohauer Farms - La Salle, CO  
 Summer Lor - Papillion, NE \*  
 Sunrise - Waukee, IA \*  
 Sweet Doe Co. - Keota, IA \*  
 The Perennial Homestead - Omaha, NE \*  
 Theopiste - Omaha, NE \*  
 Top Fox - Conventville, IL \*

Twin Pines Farm - Treynor, IA  
 Twin Springs Pecans - Bennet, NE  
 Whole Grain Milling Co - Welcome, MN \*  
 Wilson's Orchard & Farm - Cumming, IA  
 Wolff Farms - Norfolk, NE  
 WW Homestead Dairy LLC - Waukon, IA  
 Yang's Garden - Omaha, NE \*  
 Z Farm - Waukee, IA  
 3rd-i Water - Bellevue, NE \*

\*2024 was the first year No More Empty Pots sourced from this vendor

\*Vendor identifies as a distributor





## COMMUNITY HARVEST

Community Harvest is a local food subscription service that provides year-round, plant-based prepared meals, Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) produce boxes, and pantry add-ons like milk, eggs and yogurt. Subscribers can choose to pay full market price or apply for free services, depending on available funding. Additionally, subscribers can use SNAP/EBT to purchase subscriptions, and through our partnership with Double Up Food Bucks, the cost of produce boxes is halved for SNAP/EBT customers, making fresh, local food even more accessible.

The Distribution Center at the No More Empty Pots Greenhouse serves as the hub for packaging fresh, locally-sourced food for the Community Harvest program. Subscribers have the option to pick-up their orders at the No More Empty Pots Micro Market or have them delivered directly to their homes.

**43**  
zip codes served

**517**  
households served

**40+**  
producers supported  
by Community Harvest

**\$2,053**  
of SNAP benefits  
spent by subscribers

**4,887**  
produce boxes distributed

**8,972**  
meals distributed

**\$1,718**  
saved in Double Up Food  
Bucks by SNAP subscribers

**411**  
households received  
produce boxes at no cost



“[The Community Harvest team] is truly appreciated for each and every single thing that you do on behalf of trying to ensure that we are all comfortable... I am absolutely positive that I’m not alone in my thoughts and feelings towards No More Empty Pots and their undying commitment to filling a very real void in our neighborhoods.”



**Michelle**  
Community Harvest Subscriber





## HORTICULTURE

Food production and gardening at No More Empty Pots takes place primarily at two of our facility locations, the Food Hub and Greenhouse in North Omaha. In 2024, we launched the greenhouse-level operations at the Greenhouse, establishing it as a year-round urban farm. This initiative focuses on growing food for wholesale distribution to food entrepreneurs and retail sales at the Micro Market storefront and through Community Harvest.

Meanwhile, the Rooftop Garden at the Food Hub continues to serve as an educational hub. Many of our hands-on educational programs are supported by the Rooftop Garden, providing learners with a firsthand experience of the diverse crops that can be grown locally in Nebraska.

**53**  
plant varieties were grown at the rooftop garden

**17**  
plant varieties were grown at the greenhouse urban farm

**753**  
pounds of produce harvested at the greenhouse urban farm



## MICRO MARKET

The **Micro Market**, located in the heart of the Highlander neighborhood of North Omaha, officially opened in April 2024. The storefront serves as a vital source of fresh produce, artisanal food products, and a variety of other local goods for the community.

### Making Fresh Food Affordable

Through our partnership with **Double Up Food Bucks**, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) customers received **\$1 off every \$1 spent** on fresh produce and herbs, up to \$20 per day, helping make the market accessible to customers with a variety of budgets. Additionally, **34 Highlander households** shopped at the Micro Market in 2024 for up to \$300 of fresh produce at no cost each, thanks to the Community Health Improvement Grant funded by CHI Health™, a Member of CommonSpirit.

**92**  
local vendors and food entrepreneurs sourced from

**34**  
Highlander households served at no cost

**608+**  
unique food products sold

**\$867**  
of SNAP benefits used by customers

## CUPS CAFE



In 2024, No More Empty Pots announced the highly anticipated reopening of **Cups Café** with regular hours. Located at the Food Hub in the Florence neighborhood, the café offers a selection of coffee, teas, and specialty food items. The grand opening took place in January 2025.

The food menu changes regularly, highlighting the talents of local food entrepreneurs, including kitchen renters at No More Empty Pots.

### 2024 Cups Café Vendors

- Sweet Meatz Desserts
- Veg.Edible
- Picket Fence Creamery (Milk)
- Benson Bounty (Tea)
- Hardy Coffee Co. (Coffee Beans)

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No More Empty Pots honors a cherished advocate and friend, Edgar J. Hicks, who passed away on June 29, 2024. His unwavering dedication to the community is remembered and celebrated by all of us. Edgar served as a respected board member and contributor for many years, leaving a lasting legacy that will continue to inspire and guide our work.



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