

LEAF'S MISSION is to cultivate young leaders from diverse backgrounds through meaningful work in the food system.

2017 IMPACT REPORT

This year, LEAF hired 22 YOUTH from 9 DIFFERENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS to do 2,607 HOURS of hands-on work.

- 100% of youth increased their ability to work across difference
- 91% of youth improved on their ability to do work tasks excellently
- 92% of youth eat more fruits and vegetables after being a part of LEAF



Youth interns spent a total of 496 HOURS DOING HANDS-ON WORK in the community with people of all ages.



- 933 meals donated to families in need in Carlisle and Harrisburg
- Supplied produce at a discounted rate to 100 preschoolers for 20 weeks
- Impacted a total of 3,606 community members

Over eight weeks during the summer, the youth crew brought home produce each week that they turned into over 80 MEALS FOR THEIR FAMILIES.

It was nice to come home Monday night and say 'I'm going to make this for you guys.' It was something that I had never felt before because I had never made a meal for [my family] before.

- Emma, 16, on making dinner for her family





ON THE FARM

In 2017, the farm produced and distributed close to **\$11,000 worth of produce.**

- \$7,215 sold to the community
- \$2,067 donated
- \$1,331 used internally

"I thought the whole season I'd be struggling to keep up with everybody else, especially when I heard some people had a background in farming... but, **I can work just as well as them. I'm capable of learning and then putting that into action"**

- Anaya, 15, youth intern

IN THE KITCHEN

Throughout the year, the kitchen created **2,324 meals** that were distributed as LEAF Kits, through special events, at Salvation Army Soup Kitchen, and more!

- 40% of meals were donated
- youth worked with 5 professional chefs
- LEAF Kits provided meals for 44 different families in the region

IN THE COMMUNITY

LEAF reached out into the community to work with local farmers, chefs, and individuals to **create connections** in our **regional food system.**

- Donated \$2,070 in produce
- Led educational demonstrations for approximately 220 people across all age ranges
- Used local ingredients to make 600 meals at Salvation Army Soup Kitchen



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