

GROW - Tending the garden

What a multi-year commitment makes possible

The power of knowing

Think about what it means to plan ahead. To hold a spot for a child before the program fills. To say yes to a school visit months in advance, confident the funding is there. To replace equipment before it breaks, rather than scrambling after the fact.

That is what a multi-year pledge makes possible for Growing Chefs. When you commit for two or three years, everything shifts. Programs reach more children. Subsidy spots open up earlier. Equipment needs get addressed proactively. Staff get hired and trained ahead of demand. Your generosity, applied with greater certainty, goes significantly further.

The numbers tell the story. In a year when confirmed funding dropped by \$300,000, Growing Chefs reached nearly 2,000 fewer children – not because the need diminished, but because uncertainty forced caution. The same amount of money, committed over multiple years rather than raised year to year, can reach more than 200,000 additional children over a decade.

Make a multi-year pledge

A two or three-year commitment to Growing Chefs is one of the most efficient ways to give. It costs you nothing more than you were already planning to give, and it makes that investment work significantly harder.

Become a monthly donor: Monthly giving is another powerful form of sustained commitment. It provides Growing Chefs with reliable, predictable revenue throughout the year – and it's one of the simplest ways to make your support go further. Visit the [Inner Beet section of our website](#) to sign up. Ready to give?

Multi-year pledges can be directed to any of Growing Chefs' four core funding areas:

Food education programs: Your commitment allows us to book school and community programs a full year in advance, hire and train the right staff, and deliver food education to more children consistently.

Food education subsidy fund: Your pledge allows us to hold spots open for children and families who can't afford to participate, before programs fill. No child gets turned away because funding arrived too late.

Learn to Grow; Grow to Give: Your multi-year gift supports the ongoing development of Growing Chefs' urban farm and community food access programs – work that requires a longer horizon than an annual cycle can provide.

Capital needs: Equipment wears out. Infrastructure needs upgrading. When funding is uncertain, repairs happen reactively. A multi-year capital commitment changes that entirely, allowing Growing Chefs to plan proactively, protect its programs and keep delivering without interruption.

Your pledge helps ensure that more children in London and Middlesex grow up with a relationship with food that is joyful, confident and lasting.

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