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MAYOR BRANDON JOHNSON AND THE CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ANNOUNCE THE GOOD FOOD FUND GRANT ROUND 2 AWARDEES

The Good Food Fund program supports small food businesses and food entrepreneurs in communities with inequitable food access

CHICAGO — Today, Mayor Brandon Johnson and the Chicago Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP) announced the awardees of the final round of the Good Food Fund Grant program. The Good Food Fund program increased access to culturally relevant and nourishing food on the South and West sides, expanded business ownership and jobs in the food industry, generated more sustainable local food economies and increased local sourcing and supply of locally grown and regionally produced foods. The 108 Chicago food businesses received a total of \$3,360,000 in funding.

"I am proud to issue this round of Good Food Fund grants in recognition of the local businesses and restaurants that are restoring equitable food access to our communities," said **Mayor Johnson**. "With these grants, we grow our neighborhoods through new job opportunities, business openings, and economic vibrancy, and most importantly we ensure that South and West Side communities have access to locally grown, nourishing food. My administration along with our Food Equity Council and community partners are committed to growing our local food ecosystem for all residents."

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"The Good Food Fund program was an investment in Chicago's entrepreneurs and business owners who seek to increase access to food options in South and West sides," said **BACP Acting Commissioner Ivan Capifali**. "Through this program, awardees benefited from customized food coaching, grants and access to low-interest loans. By increasing local



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growers, grocery stores and small food businesses, the City can empower its residents to make healthier choices and build more resilient communities.”

The [Food Equity Council](#), and [Allies for Community Business \(A4CB\)](#), in collaboration with the City, assisted in developing the criteria for the Round 2 of the grant program. The goal was to provide businesses, across the food ecosystem, in communities with inequitable food access with an opportunity to apply for and receive a grant ranging from \$10,000 to \$100,000. This round also allowed eligibility for businesses in the incubation stage provided a fiscal sponsor applied on their behalf.

“Allies for Community Business provides the capital, coaching, and connections entrepreneurs need to grow great businesses and we value strong partnerships through which we can help create jobs and wealth in our communities,” said **Brad McConnell, CEO of A4CB**. “The Good Food Fund is a great example of such a partnership, and we appreciate working closely with the City of Chicago to provide grants, loans and free coaching to food and beverage entrepreneurs throughout the city.”

Good Food Fund Grant Round 2 Awardees:

Business Name	Award	Community Area	Industry
87Th Street Jerk & Seafood Market	\$30,000.00	Auburn Gresham	Restaurant / Catering
Aaron's FOF BBQ And Catering	\$10,000.00	Greater Grand Crossing	Restaurant / Catering
Anticonquista Cafe	\$30,000.00	Near West Side	Manufacturing / Retail
Attribute Analytics	\$30,000.00	Near West Side	Food Pantry / Marketing / Research and Development
Banter Marketplace	\$30,000.00	East Garfield Park	Manufacturing / Retail
BaseHit BBQ	\$30,000.00	Austin	Restaurant / Catering
Bitoy's Sweet Treats Inc.	\$30,000.00	Austin	Manufacturing / Retail
Boba Heaven	\$30,000.00	Ashburn	Manufacturing / Retail
Bobijoa	\$30,000.00	Lower West Side	Restaurant / Catering
Brill & Fishel, P.C. (Sponsoring: Giladi's)	\$10,000.00		Manufacturing / Retail
Brooklyn Pizza On Kedzie	\$30,000.00	Ashburn	Restaurant / Catering
Brown Sugar Bakery	\$30,000.00	Greater Grand Crossing	Manufacturing / Retail
Brown's Family & Soul BBQ	\$30,000.00	Auburn Gresham	Restaurant / Catering
Burp Inc	\$10,000.00	Roseland	Restaurant / Catering



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Cafe Aroma De Mexico	\$10,000.00	Loop	Manufacturing / Retail
Cafe Consume	\$10,000.00	Mckinley Park	Restaurant / Catering
Carniceria El Porvenir	\$100,000.00	West Pullman	Manufacturing / Retail
Carniceria La Hacienda No 2	\$30,000.00	West Lawn	Manufacturing / Retail
Carniceria La Hacienda No. 3	\$100,000.00	Gage Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Carniceria La Hacienda No. 4	\$30,000.00	Gage Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Chicago Indoor Garden Inc.	\$30,000.00	Humboldt Park	Agriculture / Wholesale / Distribution / Processing
Chicago's Chicken Shack	\$10,000.00	Ashburn	Restaurant / Catering
Classic Cobbler Baked Goods Company	\$10,000.00	Douglas	Manufacturing / Retail
Closed Loop Farms	\$30,000.00	New City	Agriculture / Wholesale / Distribution / Processing
Corner Store Deli	\$30,000.00	Austin	Restaurant / Catering
Cynthia's Gumbo Express	\$10,000.00	Washington Heights	Restaurant / Catering
Dilly Dally Provisions	\$10,000.00	East Garfield Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Dirty Tiffs Cafe	\$30,000.00	Grand Boulevard	Restaurant / Catering
Dishroulette Kitchen (Sponsoring: Fusion Foods Group)	\$10,000.00		Manufacturing / Retail
Doughboy's Chicago	\$30,000.00	Greater Grand Crossing	Restaurant / Catering
El Capitan Snacks	\$10,000.00	Belmont Cragin	Restaurant / Catering
El Hongo Magico Taqueria	\$10,000.00	South Lawndale	Restaurant / Catering
Enterprise 13 Healthy Vending	\$30,000.00	West Garfield Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Evelyn's Food Love	\$100,000.00	Washington Park	Restaurant / Catering
Factotum Coffee	\$30,000.00	Hermosa	Agriculture / Wholesale / Distribution / Processing
Flammin Restaurant	\$30,000.00	Greater Grand Crossing	Restaurant / Catering
Forty Acres Fresh Market	\$100,000.00	Austin	Manufacturing / Retail
Four Star Mushrooms	\$30,000.00	Near West Side	Agriculture / Wholesale / Distribution / Processing
Freddies	\$10,000.00	Bridgeport	Restaurant / Catering
Fresh Catch Fish and Seafood	\$30,000.00	Auburn Gresham	Manufacturing / Retail
Fueled By AF	\$30,000.00	Hermosa	Manufacturing / Retail
Funnel Cake & Icée Man	\$10,000.00	Grand Boulevard	Restaurant / Catering



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Go Green Community Fresh Market	\$30,000.00	West Englewood	Manufacturing / Retail
Gobez Coffee LLC	\$10,000.00	Edgewater	Agriculture / Wholesale / Distribution / Processing
Grossett Jerk Chicken Truck	\$10,000.00	Chatham	Restaurant / Catering
Harold's Chicken Shack #17	\$30,000.00	Chicago Lawn	Restaurant / Catering
Hegewisch Nutrition	\$30,000.00	Hegewisch	Restaurant / Catering
Heray Spice	\$30,000.00	Lakeview	Agriculture / Wholesale / Distribution / Processing
Homegirls Hummus	\$10,000.00	West Lawn	Manufacturing / Retail
Hook Point Fisheries	\$10,000.00	Near South Side	Manufacturing / Retail
In Good Spirits	\$10,000.00	West Town	Manufacturing / Retail
Inspiration Kitchens	\$100,000.00	East Garfield Park	Restaurant / Catering
J&J Fruit Market	\$100,000.00	South Lawndale	Manufacturing / Retail
JMPurePastry (Sponsoring: Royce + Reign)	\$10,000.00		Manufacturing / Retail
Just Jerk Cafe	\$100,000.00	Chatham	Restaurant / Catering
La Canasta Bakery	\$30,000.00	Logan Square	Manufacturing / Retail
Laos To Your House	\$10,000.00	East Garfield Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Latin Plate Catering & Events	\$10,000.00	East Garfield Park	Restaurant / Catering
Lemaster Family Kitchen	\$30,000.00	Near West Side	Agriculture / Wholesale / Distribution / Processing
Little Sandwich House	\$30,000.00	Grand Boulevard	Restaurant / Catering
Loquacious Culinary Events	\$30,000.00	Bridgeport	Restaurant / Catering
Majani	\$100,000.00	South Shore	Restaurant / Catering
Markland Hubbard Gourmet Provisions	\$10,000.00	Beverly	Manufacturing / Retail
Meze Table	\$30,000.00	Bridgeport	Restaurant / Catering
MICKII'S	\$10,000.00	Rogers Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Minimercado La Betania	\$100,000.00	South Lawndale	Manufacturing / Retail
Mister Gerrys Groceries	\$30,000.00	West Pullman	Manufacturing / Retail
Moonbeans Orbital Foods Co.	\$10,000.00	West Town	Manufacturing / Retail
Modern Food Mart & The Ice Cream Shop	\$30,000	Rogers Park	Manufacturing
MsP'sGFree	\$10,000.00	Woodlawn	Manufacturing / Retail



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National Public Housing Museum (Sponsoring: Coalition Mobile Kitchens)	\$10,000.00		Restaurant / Catering
Naty's Pizza	\$100,000.00	Gage Park	Restaurant / Catering
Not Just Cookies	\$30,000.00	Humboldt Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Paleteria La Original Michoacana	\$30,000.00	South Deering	Manufacturing / Retail
Passion T Catering	\$10,000.00	Greater Grand Crossing	Restaurant / Catering
Pastes Y Empanadas Golden Tuzo	\$30,000.00	Belmont Cragin	Restaurant / Catering
Pete's Place	\$100,000.00	East Garfield Park	Restaurant / Catering
Pink Salt	\$10,000.00	East Garfield Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Poppin Dough	\$30,000.00	Washington Heights	Manufacturing / Retail
Red Snapper Fish Chicken & Pizza	\$100,000.00	Austin	Restaurant / Catering
Royal Ice Cream	\$30,000.00	Near West Side	Manufacturing / Retail
Salsas Family Market	\$30,000.00	Lincoln Square	Manufacturing / Retail
Siam Pasta	\$10,000.00	West Ridge	Restaurant / Catering
Siri Indian Groceries	\$30,000.00	Douglas	Manufacturing / Retail
Snj Grocery	\$10,000.00	Avondale	Manufacturing / Retail
Soul Ramen	\$10,000.00	Douglas	Restaurant / Catering
Soule Chicago	\$100,000.00	North Lawndale	Restaurant / Catering
Splyt N Half Kitchen	\$30,000.00	Austin	Restaurant / Catering
Steepers Only	\$10,000.00	East Garfield Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Street Vendors Association Of Chicago (Sponsoring: Mayra Arroyo Perez)	\$10,000.00		Restaurant / Catering
Supermercados Granados (Sponsoring: Grand Panaderia y Café)	\$10,000.00		Restaurant / Catering
Tacos El Mercadito	\$10,000.00	Clearing	Manufacturing / Retail
Taqueria 4 Hermanos	\$100,000.00	Gage Park	Restaurant / Catering
Taqueria Misantla Ver	\$30,000.00	South Lawndale	Restaurant / Catering
Tasa Coffee Roasters	\$30,000.00	Humboldt Park	Restaurant / Catering
The Bakery Box	\$30,000.00	Near North Side	Manufacturing / Retail
The Sole Ingredient Catering	\$10,000.00	Kenwood	Restaurant / Catering
The Vulgar Vegan	\$10,000.00	East Garfield Park	Manufacturing / Retail



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Twisted Eggroll	\$30,000.00	East Garfield Park	Restaurant / Catering
Unbothered Foods	\$10,000.00	Lake View	Manufacturing / Retail
Uncle Earl's BBQ	\$10,000.00	East Garfield Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Vargo Brother Ferments	\$10,000.00	Avondale	Manufacturing / Retail
Vegan Now 2Go	\$30,000.00	South Shore	Restaurant / Catering
Whadda Jerk	\$30,000.00	East Garfield Park	Restaurant / Catering
WTC Wellness Café	\$30,000.00	South Chicago	Restaurant / Catering
Wura Meals	\$10,000.00	East Garfield Park	Manufacturing / Retail
Yolis Tamales	\$10,000.00	Gage Park	Restaurant / Catering
Zeitlin's Delicatessen	\$30,000.00	South Lawndale	Manufacturing / Retail

The Good Food Fund programming ended on December 31, 2024.

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To learn more about Chicago's Food Equity Council, please visit:
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