

Finance Fund Capital Corporation

STARKFRESH

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FCAP's Healthy Food for Ohio (HFFO) program provided funding to support StarkFresh's creation of a meal delivery service, Suppertime Meals, targeting food hubs throughout Stark County that serve individuals with developmental disabilities.

StarkFresh started in 2012 with the goal of "creating realistic pathways out of poverty by using food as a catalyst for change". Suppertime Meals is one of these pathways, and will deliver two healthy meals per day served in a microwave safe container with a focus on improved taste that are easy for individuals of any ability to heat and enjoy. Suppertime Meals will leverage StarkFresh's existing infrastructure, including sharing kitchen space and using food from sources such as the mobile grocery store. Initially, meals will be prepared by an Executive Chef and dropped off at the Food Justice Campus (another StarkFresh Pathway out of Poverty). StarkFresh has agreements with Individual Service Providers who act as case workers to provide meal service to their clients.

StarkFresh has multiple delivery sites on the horizon and anticipates Suppertime Meals to be self-sustaining after just a few short months of full operation. FCAP financing supported startup costs, including food and a necessary walk-in cooler, and the first two months of the program's operation.

HFFO provides flexible financing to fund costs associated with land acquisition, predevelopment, construction, equipment, infrastructure, and related expenses. Financing can be used for capital projects to build new healthy food retail or expand existing facilities in underserved areas. A wide range of projects are eligible for funding including grocery stores, neighborhood food stores, co-op markets, food hubs, farmers' markets, meal delivery services, food nutrition education, and other innovations to drive food retail access to Ohioans that struggle to access fresh foods.



FINANCE FUND CAPITAL CORPORATION (FCAP) INVESTMENT IMPACT:

- Daily delivery of up to 30,000 meals to individuals with developmental disabilities once program is fully implemented
- Supports creation of 8 staff members, including 6 FTEs



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