



The Boston Foundation

Food, Fuel & Shelter Fund
Impact 2023

November 2023





**TBF has made almost
\$5.5 million in Food &
Fuel grants since 2008.**

A photograph of a mesh bag filled with several red and yellow apples, sitting on a grocery store shelf. The background is blurred, showing other shelves and a sign. The text is overlaid on the image.

Launch of the Food, Fuel and Shelter Fund

On November 18, 2022, TBF launched the **Food, Fuel and Shelter Fund**, which broadened the Foundation's 10-year effort to support nonprofits serving food and fuel needs each winter. The Fund's initial investment was a **\$235,000 grant to the City of Boston**, to expand its mobile outreach to more equitably and effectively connect people with housing, treatment and other services around Mass & Cass.

Food, Fuel & Shelter Goals

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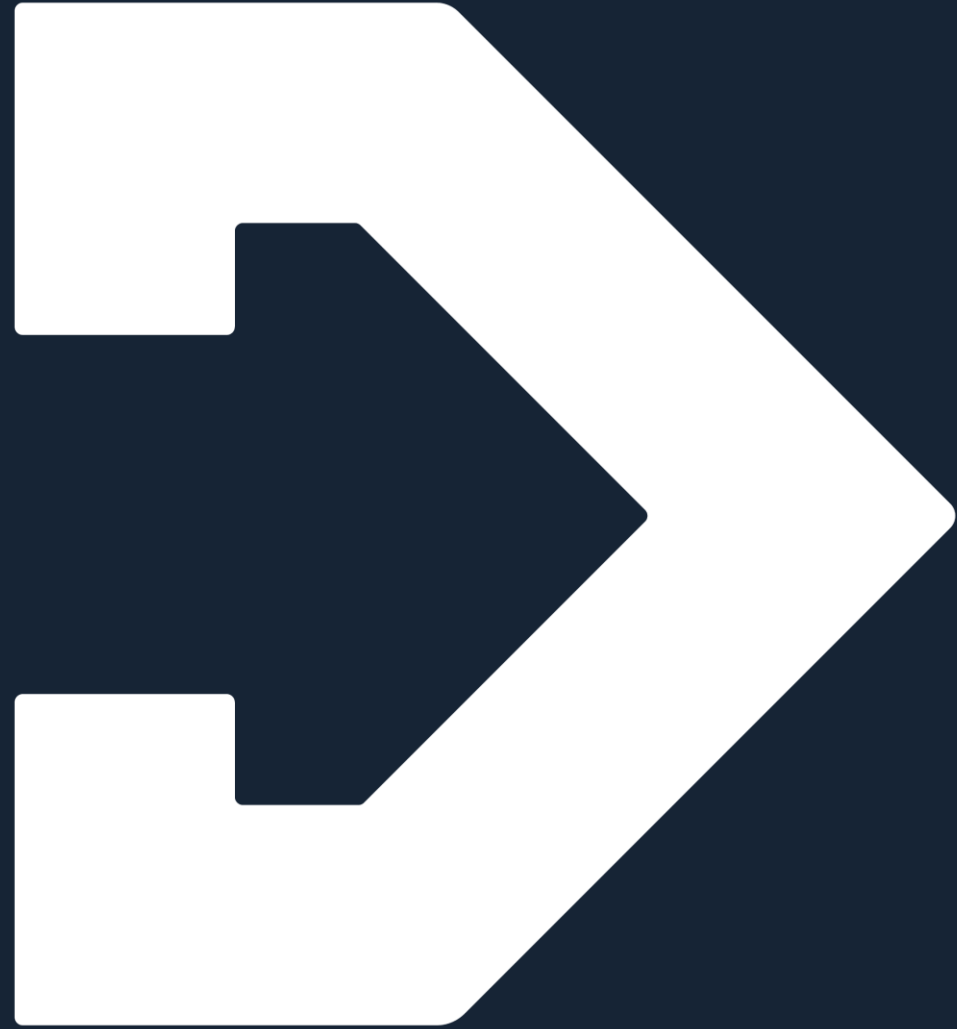
Support organizations and programs that prevent individuals and families from “falling through the cracks” by providing direct cash assistance to meet their food, housing and heating needs.

02

Identify and support organizations in the region that specialize in guiding people and families toward available local, state and federal resources that provide food, housing and heating assistance.

03

Redouble the Food and Fuel Fund’s legacy of donor partnership to support organizations that provide critical access to food, utilities and secure shelter to families in Massachusetts.



Food, Fuel & Shelter Grantees 2023

Organization	Grant Amount
BAGLY - Boston Alliance of LGBTQ Youth	\$100,000
Bridge Forward Fund	\$100,000
Brockton Interfaith Community	\$100,000
Camp Harborview	\$100,000
City of Boston	\$235,000
City of Chelsea	\$200,000
Dimock Center	\$250,000
Gaining Ground	\$100,000
La Colaborativa, Inc.	\$100,000
North Shore Workers Community Fund Inc. New Lynn Coalition	\$100,000
Transgender Emergency Fund of Massachusetts	\$100,000
Victory Programs, Inc.	\$100,000
Project Bread - The Walk for Hunger, Inc.	\$51,000
Total	\$1,636,000

Food, Fuel & Shelter Investment

TBF invested **\$1 million** from the **Willis Monro Fund**, a field of interest fund established in 1989 from the bequest of a prominent Boston attorney. Our donor community augmented this grant to the Food, Fuel & Shelter Fund with **\$636,000** in contributions.

Food, Fuel & Shelter Impact 2023

What did **\$1,636,000** invested
in **13** organizations support?



44% Housing



35% Food



12% Utilities



9% Direct Cash
Assistance

➤ Grantee Quote: Gaining Ground

“Our community really appreciates this quality of fresh produce that they otherwise would not have access to. Gaining Ground produce goes directly to a diverse group of people in need.”

—Heather O’Brien, Eastie Farm

This TBF grant helped Gaining Ground give out 50,073 pounds of food to 2,100 households in the Greater Boston & Lowell areas.



Grantee Quote: Dimock Center

“Someone came after being in another clinic. He had stopped taking psychiatric medicine, had severe medical issues, and Dimock was able to take him in and put him through detox, connect him to a dentist, get him back on his medicine to step him up for finding a job and getting housing in the future.”

—Staff Member at Dimock Center

Through its Restoring Hope Campaign, Dimock is trying to fill a gap to create Boston's first clinical stabilization housing for men.

Grantee Quote: Camp Harborview

“I am the mother of [a camper]. My husband made a request about the money to pay the electric bill—thank you so much! We received the money this last weekend and we are so happy. Now we are paying the bill, that is possible [because of] you and the Camp Harborview. Since my husband got disabled it’s difficult for us. Thank you so much!”
—Parent at Camp Harborview

This TBF grant supported Camp Harborview's Family Flex Funds, which helped 26 families pay utility bills.

2024 Food, Fuel & Shelter Fundraising Goal

As of October 2023, we have raised **\$94,000** from our donor community and have invested **\$200,000** from the endowed Willis Monro Fund.

GOAL: \$750,000



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