



Cary Store Partnership Grows Food and Nourishes Lives

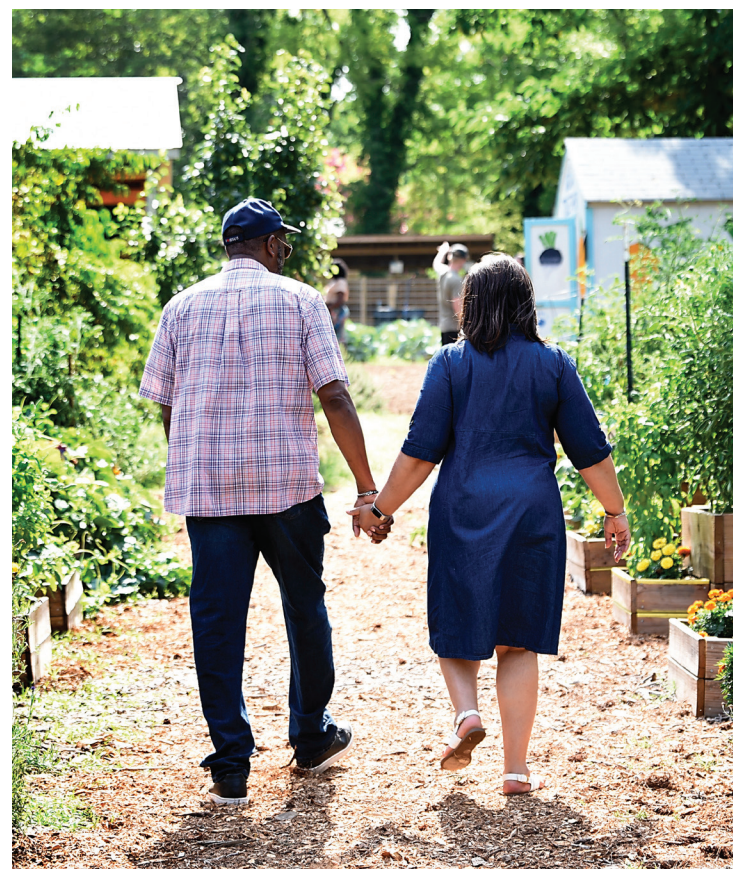


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Erwin, a Demo Team Member and T.I.M.E. team co-chair, recognizes the benefits of serving his community. “When you **learn to give, you learn to understand** so many more things out in our community.” He and fellow Team Members have volunteered through Inter-Faith Food Shuttle to deliver groceries to seniors and assist the Backpack Buddies program, which provides children with nutritious meals on weekends. He appreciates how the nonprofit has a broad spectrum of delivery programs that **meet people at their point of need** and that these programs **immediately impact** the community. By securing a Community First Grant on behalf of Inter-Faith Food Shuttle, Erwin and his Team Members hope to help the nonprofit **extend its reach and deepen its impact**.

Inter-Faith Food Shuttle foodshuttle.org

Founded in 1989, Inter-Faith Food Shuttle pioneers innovative, **transformative solutions** to improve community health through food. In addition to distributing 5.5 million pounds of food per year (36% of which is fresh produce) through its hunger-relief programs, it **increases long-term access** through school and **community gardens**, a 10-acre **production farm**, and **community health education**. Their Camden Street Garden utilizes 23 community garden beds, a food forest, outdoor classroom space and a composting facility to **engage neighbors** in the exploration of growing and preparing fresh food. Whole Cities Foundation funding will support the **education programming** at the Camden Street Garden and the organization’s Community Gardeners Program.



Whole Foods Market Team Members can nominate a local nonprofit increasing access to fresh, healthy food or nutrition education for a \$5,000 grant.

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