

September 2022- August 2023



## This Year in FNSP..



"It's always such a warm feeling coming together and starting the weekend on such a positive note. Each meal served is a bridge connecting hearts and our community. It's incredible the power serving a simple warm supper can have on both guests and volunteers like myself. FNSP has made me feel a deeper sense of compassion and connection with my community." - Jack Tragni



## **Our Mission**

The Friday Night Supper Program is dedicated to serving vulnerable members of the Greater Boston Area a hot meal, clothing and community resources in a safe and dignified environment.

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## A Letter From the Board Chair

#### Dear Friends,

As we approach the end of another year, we at the Friday Night Supper Program are taking a moment to reflect on the incredible impact that your support has made in the lives of our community members.

After a couple of years spent adapting to the new norms of the pandemic, this has been a very welcome year of stabilizing for FNSP. It's been wonderful to be back in person and continuing to move towards full capacity for the past year. This year, we served an average of 100 guests each week, and the basement of Arlington Street Church is back to its lively environment on Friday nights. It's been such a pleasure to see our guests and volunteers enjoying our vibrant community together again, serving hot, nutritious meals in a warm, welcoming environment.

Our small but mighty staff has continued to provide the highest level of service to our guests and volunteers, and we are so lucky to have such a stellar team. In the face of some challenges around using the kitchen and hall during repairs at the church this summer, Aaidaliz, Sophie, and Elaina creatively found ways to ensure that our guests were served delicious and nutritious meals, ensuring that we never missed a night of service!

Our community partners continue to make our program possible with their generous support and in-kind donations. We are so grateful to work with the Greater Boston Food Bank and Lovin' Spoonfuls, whose groceries allow us to continue to source fresh and healthy ingredients. The last Friday of the month continues to be a hit with the guests because of the monthly donation of ice cream from Ben & Jerry's Similarly, Iggy's Bread has been a fantastic partner, providing guests with delicious bread on the table when they arrive. Especially with the rising cost of groceries, we are so tremendously grateful for these partnerships.

Of course, FNSP would not be possible without our incredible volunteers. Our regular volunteers have been integral in steadying the ship through staff and board transitions, and we have been lucky to have many individuals, corporate and community groups, and volunteers from Boston Cares and Red Brick continue to bring their energy, enthusiasm, and compassion to FNSP each week. We have been sad to say goodbye to some of our long-term board members, and are grateful to our returning and new members for providing important leadership to the program.

Lastly, we are so deeply thankful for the generosity of our donors, which allowed us to make some key investments to benefit FNSP overall, including a more sustainable staffing structure, the replacement and repair of some aging equipment in the kitchen, and additional services and resources to better meet the needs of our guests. We are so grateful for your ongoing support of FNSP.

Thank you for your continued support and your dedication to being part of this very special community.

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Caitlin MacDonald, - Board Chair
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## **Operations**

During the past year, the Friday Night Supper Program continued to deliver its mission by providing a hot, nutritious meal every single Friday night. At the heart of FNSP's work are our hundreds of volunteers who contribute countless hours to our program. On Friday afternoon, volunteers unpack deliveries, prepare the evening meal and set up the hall. Our evening volunteers serve our guests in a restaurant-style setting, distribute

toiletries and clothing, and help with clean up.

Throughout this fiscal year, we had many transitions between FNSP's board and staff. We said farewell to our Board Chair, Jennie Vital and welcomed Caitlin MacDonald as our new Board Chair. Caitlin has been an active member on the board for a few years. We also said farewell to our Development Director, Jenny Lecoq. Jenny played an important role in fundraising throughout the pandemic. Additionally, we welcomed our new Program Director, Aaidaliz Perez, who shortly after took on the role as our Executive Director. We are deeply appreciative to have individuals who bring energy and innovative ideas to the Friday Night Supper Program!



#### Some Highlights of the year:

- FNSP prepared and served over 6,114 meals using over 15,000 pounds of food from the Greater Boston Food Bank.
- Any left over meals were hand delivered to Saint Francis House by either a member of the board or our security personnel.
- FNSP partnered with the Boston Healthcare for the Homeless Program (BHCHP) to provide on-site Flu and COVID-19 vaccinations.
- Hosted a volunteer appreciation event to thank those who volunteer their precious time to the program.

## **Clothing Closet-Kathy's Closet**

FNSP's Clothing Closet is open the second and fourth Friday of each month to distribute clothes, toiletries and other essential items to guests. The Clothing Closet is managed by our volunteer coordinator Kathy Hassey and her team. Kathy sets up a table onstage during closet nights, and takes orders while closet volunteers fill orders and arrange them alphabetically.

#### **Essential Items Distributed Include:**

\*Blankets

\*Thermal Underwear

\*Bags

**\*Winter Coats** 

\*Shoes

**\*Winter Boots** 









(A Generous donation of coats from the Westin Copley Hotel, 1/23)

## **Organization Improvements**

The 2023 fiscal year brought many fortuitous improvements and upgrades to our organization! Highlights of these features include inclusion of kitchen appliances such as an ice machine and rice cooker, and a vaccine clinic hosted by Boston Healthcare for the Homeless. Kitchen improvements also include an improved upon deep cleaning protocol to render our workspace cleaner and more efficient.



Vaccine Clinic hosted by BHCFH



Volunteers deep-clean the kitchen using newly improved protocol



New dessert dishes donated by longtime volunteer Bill Duncan



A new ice machine to keep cool during summer

The Friday Night Supper Program is constantly making improvements to better serve our community!

## Financials

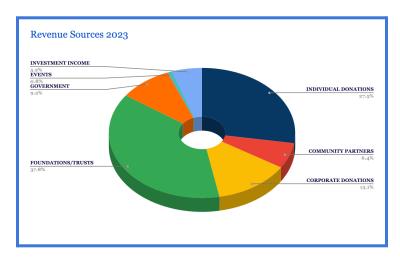
In Fiscal year 2023, significant portions of our organization's expenditures were allocated to the staffing and fulfillment of our crucial roles within the organization. Aside from that, FNSP strengthened the capacity and effectiveness of our food organization.

# Total Expenses PROGRAM OPERATIONS \$125,000.00 \$100,000.00 \$75,000.00 \$50,000.00 \$25,000.00 \$0.00

#### Total Expenses: \$113,413

We are truly grateful for the generosity of hundreds of donors who believe in the Friday Night Supper Program! Those donations power our ability to deliver our mission to provide hot, nutritious meals to over 100 individuals who face food insecurity and homelessness every single Friday.

#### Revenue: \$110,506



## **Spring Event**

In reflecting upon the accomplishments of the past year, the Friday Night Supper Program hosted its annual volunteer appreciation event. The Spring Volunteer Appreciation Event stands out as a celebration of their unwavering commitment and efforts. This annual gathering allowed us to express our deepest gratitude for the countless hours they devoted to our organization. The Friday Night Supper team extends our sincerest thanks as we



recognize that our volunteers make what we do possible!







## **FNSP's Founding Partners**



FNSP, a secular 501(c)3 nonprofit, was co-founded in 1984 by Arlington Street Church and Dignity Boston. Arlington Street Church continues to underwrite the space and utilities for the program and both partners continue as volunteers and board members, in addition to their financial support.



## **FNSP's Partners & Food Donors**

FNSP is extremely grateful to our network of volunteer and food partners and sponsors for all the support they provide us and our community!



## Donors

Donations received between September 1, 2022- August 31, 2023

FNSP is extremely grateful to the individuals, foundations, corporations and government programs who have made financial contributions to support our operations during the FY23. Without your support, our work wouldn't be possible!

# FNSP Superheroes \$10,000+

Cabot Family Charitable Trust Cummings Foundation Liberty Mutual Foundation

#### FNSP Champions \$2,500 - \$4,999

Beacon Hill Civic Association Dignity Boston EFSP (Government Funding) Factset Mentor Charitable Fund Prellwitz/Chilinski Association

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# FNSP Sponsors \$1,000- \$2,499

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### **In-Kind Donations**

FNSP wishes to thank the many individuals and organizations who made in-kind donations to FNSP during FY23 in the form of food, clothing, snacks, toiletries, books, website support and other critical items to support FNSP operations.

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#### **FNSP's Board of Directors**





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