

# 2013 Annual Report

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**Our work.** Nurture's programs teach fun, innovative and engaging lessons to get children and caregivers excited about healthy nutrition and wellness. The lessons are meant to both invigorate awareness and enthusiasm for delicious food choices at a young age and to have kids educate their parents and families about healthy and affordable options for meals and snacks. Through fun and engaging programs, we address several of the alarming trends in the health of our nation's youth: increasing rates of childhood obesity, diabetes and other nutritionally linked diseases.









# Message from our Founder

2013 was an incredible year of change for Nurture. We went through a restructuring in our organization to better align with the geographies in which we work, resulting in the formation of two Nurture "chapters", one in Idaho and another in Illinois. While our direct services and grassroots approach focused on these two geographic areas, we continued to play a key role in the overall movement at a national level. From my attendance with my daughter at the Healthy Lunchtime Challenge with Mrs. Obama in Washington D.C. to featured articles in Jaime Oliver's Food Revolution, the Edible Schoolyard and the Center for Science in the Public Interest's Food Day, Nurture has been making a difference across the nation. Our Recipe Frameworks are showing up in the materials of Cooking Matters and other sources, meaning that hundreds of thousands of people are benefitting from our intellectual property and approach to overcoming obstacles to eating healthy.

We are proud to have been part of a huge movement on a national scale to turn the tides of alarming health trends. After so many years of work, we as a nation are finally seeing positive changes in the direction of health outcomes especially in our children!

With this success behind us, we are now looking to a new future as a Foundation to support on-going work affiliated with our mission. Working out the details of how this Foundation will function will be our main focus in 2014, so please stay tuned for details. It has been a true honor leading our organization to where we are today. We could not have done all of this without your incredible support. Thank you!

Kathryn Guylay
Founder and Executive Director



# Update on our Programs in Nurture Idaho

Nurture Idaho is proud to report that we've reached over **780 students** through its "Food and Fun" in-school programs in Blaine County, Idaho. Assuming an average family size of four, we estimate that with the parent-education component of our program, we are touching **over 3,000 lives** on a regular basis.

But those numbers are merely the beginning of our impact. We have also leveraged our work to create a positive ripple effect on our community in the following ways:

- Supported over 30 eighth graders in their "Grow Unit" to understand local food chain issues and experiment with solutions, such as vertical gardens, cold-frames and solar powered greenhouses
- Partnered with numerous social service agencies, including Higher Ground, St. Luke's Center for Community Health, The Hunger Coalition, and the Wood River YMCA, to host special programming in order to reach a broad range of families with our health and wellness programming
- Hosted special events ranging from food tastings at the Farmers' market to health fairs to foodbased film showings open to the public.

# **Outcomes from Nurture Idaho Programs**

Students and teachers shared overwhelmingly positive feedback for the program and expressed that they look forward to the Food & Fun lessons each month.



Results from the pre- and post-program evaluations demonstrated that students made major gains in knowledge, skills and abilities in all areas.



Parents responded positively to the parent education handouts that accompany each lesson.

What is It?

Created by the USDA. MyPlate is a guide to planning and eafing a healthful diet.

It does not exclude any food group: the goal is to promote a balanced, her relationship with food.

Why It's Important?

Ealing a balanced diet is necessary to supply your body with the energy and nutrier needs to grow and confirme doing activities you level

Incorporate all Five Parts:

Fittil: 1 serving or about 1% of plate

Vegatables: 1-2 servings or about 1% of plate

MyPlate

Partners
appreciated the
ability to bring
nutrition and
wellness
programming to
their
participants.



# Update on our Programs in Nurture Illinois

Nurture Illinois reached over **1,700 students** through the Nurture Elementary Program, over **130 families** through the Nurture Family Program, and over **220 children and families** through our camp, after school and other programs. Since almost all programs are designed to reach the entire family, we estimate we reached over 6,000 Illinois residents in 2013.

We developed and piloted a partner training guide and process so other organizations can easily implement Family Programs with their clients. Roberti Community House in Waukegan was our first partner to complete this training program.

For the Nurture Elementary Program, we created tools to simplify program implementation and strengthen teacher training. Parents report their children discussing the Nurture program at home.

# Results from May 2013 Student Post-Tests from Nurture Illinois Elementary Programs

- Most students were able to correctly answer a quarter of the knowledge based questions on the pre-test and two-thirds of the knowledge based questions on the post test.
- Almost all students reported eating two or more servings of fruit the day before.
- Two-thirds of students reported eating two or more servings of vegetables the day before.
- Three-quarters of students reported being most likely to choose water when they are thirsty.
- Almost three-quarters of students reported being most likely to play outside or play sports during their free time.









# **Results from Nurture Illinois Family Programs**

- 100% would recommend the Nurture program to another family and would like to take additional classes.
- 100% Agree or Strongly Agree the slow cooker will help them prepare more healthy meals.
- 94% Agree or Strongly Agree they feel better prepared to exercise by themselves or with their families.
- 90% Agree or Strongly Agree they will be able to provide their families with healthier meals.







# A Story from Our Participants

During a Nurture in-school lesson (on Whole Grains), "A Report from the Halls"... ... While rolled oats and millet mixed with cinnamon, dried plums and bananas simmered in rice cookers in the fifth grade hallway of Hemingway Elementary School (Ketchum ID), it was great to see the students moving among their classrooms and exclaiming, "That smells so good! I can't wait!" Once the kids finished their Nurture lessons and came out for the food –tasting to complement the lessons, we captured a few comments:

## Alex L, Fourth Grader

"Food and Fun is awesome. I like that you get snacks. I learn a lot about nutrition and slow food and go food. Go food is like a fruit, which makes you go, and slow food is like candy, which makes you hyper but makes you slow."

# Mary Anna G, Fifth Grader

"This is my first year of Food and Fun. I like it a lot. Today we are eating bananas and yogurt with millet and rolled oats and dried plums. I would definitely want to have my parents make it for breakfast or a snack. The best part of Food and Fun is learning which foods help your body and which foods don't and eating the ones that help your body. They're delicious."

# Jamie M, Fifth Grader

"I like Food and Fun. Today I learned that you can get the black tongue disease if you don't get enough Vitamin B, which people got because they processed the food and took out all the vitamins. Whole foods are better."

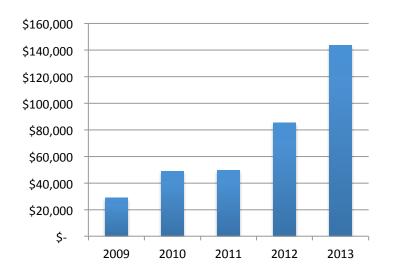
After the lesson on Whole Grains, the kids are now experts on Whole Grains and have become the new biggest fans of millet. When asked, "Do you want seconds?" we received enormous grins and a response of "This IS my seconds!"



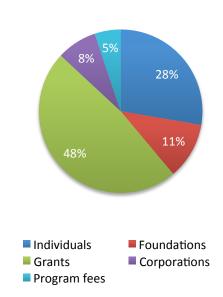
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# **Financial Highlights**

# **Support Over the Years**



# **2013 Contributions**



In 2013, Nurture continued to demonstrate a healthy financial profile, with strong support from our donors complemented by intense expense control.

Total donations increased nearly 70%, demonstrating the importance of our work and the continued commitment of our growing community of supporters.

We spent the bulk of our expenses (more than 80%) on direct programming. Instructors and program management constitute our single largest expense. Most of our work involves hands-on delivery, including countless volunteer hours.

Thank you to our community of supporters, our volunteer management and workers, and our instructors and partners.

# **Our Services in 2013**

Programming Expenses		
Instructors	\$84,284	
Food	11,648	
Education	6,904	
Curriculum	4,613	
Equipment	3,306	
Supplies	<u>3,041</u>	
	\$113,796	82%
Non-Program Expenses		
Fundraising	\$13,998	
Other	5,007	
Education	3,848	
Administration	<u>1,991</u>	
	\$24,845	18%
Total Expenses	\$138,640	

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# Foundation for Health, Inc.

## **Grants and Foundations**

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