



Who or what is The Table?

In 2012, two people (Craig & Jeanine Broek) launched The Table via a network of 15 gardens, each of which was located on the property of a generous neighbor. The vision was to extend tangible grace to the neighborhood by growing and donating as much food as they could grow on the land available to them. Through the act of growing and sharing food, Craig and Jeanine also envisioned gathering and growing a community of people who not only valued good food but also valued meaningful human-to-human relationships over transactions. Their premise was and continues to be that the best and greatest life impact happens when people work, eat, and talk together. Out of two people, a community with widespread impact has been born.

How many gardens do you manage?

Over the last 8 years, those original 15 gardens swelled to 25 at the high point in 2014 and contracted back down to a more manageable 15 this year.

How much food have you produced?

Cumulatively The Table has grown and donated over 20,000 pounds of food on no more than $\frac{1}{4}$ acre of total space.

How have you impacted your community?

Through the process of growing food and the gift of free food, The Table has impacted thousands of lives simply through the tangible grace of shared vegetables. Additionally, as a result of doing this work in the same neighborhood for over 8 years, they have developed strong community bonds with businesses, schools, organizations, and individual households.

Why are you launching a capital campaign?

While The Table has accomplished a great deal of good, impactful work they have done it without the benefit of a central, public location. The desire for a building to call home arises out of a vision focused on the following:

1. provide plant and food-based educational programming within a commercial kitchen facility
2. provide greater capacity with increased regularity to gather large groups of people
3. establish a daily marketplace presence and diversified, sustainable income
4. consolidate storage and organizational operations under one roof

Why are you doing this now?

The Table board and leadership has discerned that after years of dreaming, the time has come for The Table to grow. In addition, they have received some seed funding to pursue this campaign at this time.