The Partnership

Salad Bars to Schools (SB2S) launched in 2010 with the mission of donating salad bars to U.S. schools so that every child has daily access to fresh fruits and vegetables. This healthy school lunch initiative was founded by the Chef Ann Foundation, National Fruit and Vegetable Alliance, United Fresh Produce Association Foundation, and Whole Foods Market.

The Grant

The cost of a salad bar grant is $3,142. A school may receive their salad bar equipment within 60 days after their application is approved.

The grant covers:

- 1 portable 72-inch, 5-well insulated salad bar
- 2 tray slides
- 5 pan chillers
- Divider bars
- 2 - 4" deep full pans with covers
- 4 - 4" deep half pans with covers
- 12 - 4" deep quarter pans with covers
- 5 buffet chilling pads
- 16 serving tongs

Successes

- Based on evaluation data, 90% of salad bars are still in use
- Over 50% of grant recipients have experienced an increase in participation as a result of the grant
- 87% of grant recipients are using their salad bars five days a week
- "The students really love the option of the salad bar... we’ve also seen an increase in staff participation, which is a great modeling tool for our students."
- "Our salad bar gives students choices of delicious, fresh fruits and vegetables, increasing consumption of these items and reducing plate waste."

5,631

number of schools granted to date

2,813,000

number of kids served to date