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# Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation to Award \$3 Million in Grants to Local Organizations Focused on Nutrition, Health, and Wellness

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PHOENIX--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The **Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation** today announced the launch of its 2025 Grants Program, with \$3 million funding available to support local organizations that advance nutrition education, nutrition access, and wellness for children and adults in the communities where Sprouts operates. More than 500 local nonprofits will be selected to receive grants up to \$10,000.

In 2024, the Foundation awarded grants to 580 grassroots organizations and elementary schools in neighborhoods where Sprouts operates—including Vetri Community Partnership, whose grant helped fund hands-on cooking classes. Photo credit: Vetri Community Partnership

“At Sprouts, our purpose is to help people live and eat better, and we’re proud to support the incredible work of local nonprofits who are doing just

that,” said Jack Sinclair, chief executive officer of Sprouts Farmers Market. “Through these grants, we’re able to support communities where our team members and customers live.”

The Foundation’s mission is focused on improving health outcomes by supporting nutrition education, nutrition access, and wellness programs. The grant funding is available across three grant categories:

- Sprouting School Gardens– Funding for school-based gardening programs that provide students with hands-on learning opportunities that bring nutrition education to life
- Growing Healthy Kids– Funding for community-based programs focused on children’s nutrition access,



nutrition education, and health and wellness

- Wellness Across the Lifespan– Funding for community-based programs focused on adult health and wellness

“We know that small, local organizations are often the ones making the biggest difference,” said Lyndsey Waugh, executive director of the Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation. “These grants are about supporting the amazing work already happening on the ground—from school gardens and cooking classes to mobile pantries and family wellness programs. It’s about meeting communities where they are and helping them thrive.”

Last September, the Foundation awarded \$4 million to 580 nonprofits and elementary schools focused on nutrition, health and wellness. In a coordinated, same-day event, team members from all 423 Sprouts stores delivered live checks to local organizations. These grants are fully funded by the Foundation’s in-store Round Up program, where 100% of donations—collected at checkout—stay local to support health and wellness programs.

Since 2015, the Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation has awarded over \$35 million in grants to organizations that are working on the front lines of nutrition education and wellness. An estimated 3 million children participate in programs supported by the Foundation each year and Sprouts expects to more than double its grant programs in the year ahead.

**Applications are open now through June 18, 2025.** For more information or to apply visit **[Sprouts.com/foundation](https://sprouts.com/foundation)**.

#### ABOUT THE SPROUTS HEALTHY COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION

The Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation, established in 2015, is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization focused on advancing nutrition education, nutrition access, and health and wellness programs in the states where Sprouts Farmers Market operates. Understanding that healthy habits are formed at a young age, the Foundation champions youth gardening and cooking programs that teach children skills for healthy eating and lifestyle choices that can be carried into adulthood. Through partnerships with hyper-local community organizations, the Foundation also works to expand nutrition access and wellness programs that serve families and adults. Since 2015, the Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation has awarded \$35 million in grants. To learn more, visit **[Sprouts.com/foundation](https://sprouts.com/foundation)**.

#### ABOUT SPROUTS FARMERS MARKET INC.

True to its farm-stand heritage, Sprouts offers a unique grocery experience featuring an open layout with fresh produce at the heart of the store. Sprouts inspires wellness naturally with a carefully curated assortment of better-for-you products paired with purpose-driven people. The healthy grocer continues to bring the latest in wholesome, innovative products made with lifestyle-friendly ingredients such as organic, plant-based and gluten-free.



Headquartered in Phoenix, and one of the largest and fastest growing specialty retailers of fresh, natural and organic food in the United States, Sprouts employs approximately 35,000 team members and operates more than 440 stores in 24 states nationwide. To learn more about Sprouts, and the good it brings communities, visit [sprouts.com/about](https://sprouts.com/about).

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