

Germinate

We grow healthy, nutritious food for food pantries and individuals in need!

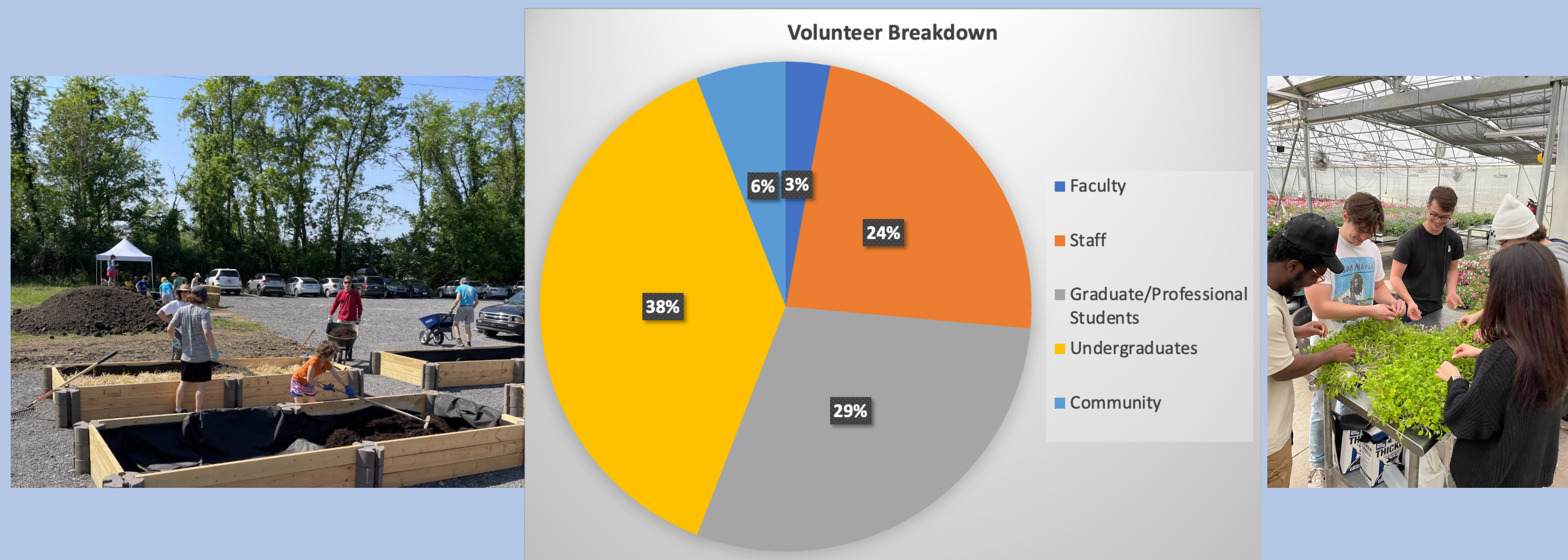
Year	Total for Pantries	Square Footage of Space in Production
2021	1,013 lbs	125
2022	3,623 lbs	1275
2023	GOAL: 4,000 lbs	2,100
All years—Rescued Food from Farmers—2,648 lbs		
With FPC partnership: Total impact is nearly 10,000 lbs to date!		

Volunteers water, weed, harvest, or otherwise care for our garden and urban farm spaces. Students, faculty, staff, and community members are welcomed to the Urban Farm every non-holiday Monday night starting at 6:00 PM during the growing season, weather permitting for Community Nights, a family friendly time to engage in the activities of the Urban Farm and learn more about growing your own food.

We serve: The Rack Student Pantry at WVU, Pantry Plus More, Trinity Episcopal Community Kitchen, and aggregate program at First Presbyterian Church.. We also donate to individuals, primarily students who attend our harvests, or through volunteers who take produce to their department offices for distribution.

Educate

We teach you how to grow your own food!



We host workshops, volunteer and internship opportunities. We utilize and teach science-based and indigenous methods to increase production, especially in urban and peri-urban settings. Our directors are also involved directly in formal agriculture and food justice curriculum and provide various K-12 and public outreach opportunities throughout the state.

Advocate

We advocate for a fed West Virginia!



We work at the University to create systematic change for our institutional food system. We collaborate with WVU Dining Services and corporate suppliers, the Office for Sustainability, the Office of the Provost, and others to encourage the utilization of local, healthy fresh food options on Campus and prevention of food waste.

We practice advocacy work throughout the state with food and social justice organizations, legislative bodies, and other groups to promote the Right for Food, the Right to Garden, and the Right to Farm in West Virginia and in our region. Our Women in Agricultural Leadership internship gives students an opportunity to engage in policy development

We also join forces in mutual aid with other farmers, educators, community food organizations, and agricultural and service programs for our "Germinate, Educate, and Advocate" objectives.



Our Land Grant, Food Justice, and Student-Centered Mission: To empower the WVU Community and all West Virginians to end food insecurity through garden-based education, advocacy for food justice, and community engagement.

There is a seat for *everyone* at our table!