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Imagine a community where no child comes to school hungry. A community where everyone has access to safe, local, sustainably grown food. A community with thriving rural farms and a rich patchwork of vibrant urban gardens and markets. A community with a prosperous local food economy that provides entrepreneurial opportunities and good jobs that can't be outsourced. A community that has recognized the realities of climate change and peak oil, and has taken charge of its food future.

Now imagine that place is your community – South Puget Sound.

Sound impossible? A growing number of individuals, organizations and community leaders think that it is not only possible but essential that we realize this vision. That's why we are coming together to host **Come to the Table – A Community Food Summit** this October.

**And that's why we are inviting YOU to join us by becoming a sponsor.**

By becoming a sponsor of **Come to the Table – A Community Food Summit** you will join a powerful partnership that already includes Sustainable South Sound, Garden Raised Bounty (GRuB), the City of Olympia, Thurston County, WSU Thurston County Extension, the Community Sustaining Fund of Thurston County and a growing list of others who are committed to the success of this important event.

The goal of the Food Summit is to bring our community together to celebrate, network and develop an action plan for a safe, local and sustainable food system.

The Food Summit will take place over two days, October 14 & 15. The first day will feature a giant community pot-luck on the streets of downtown Olympia, an environmental and agricultural expo, and a presentation by Mark Winne – author of *Food Rebels*, *Guerrilla Gardeners*, and *Smart Cookin' Mamas: Fighting Back in an Age of Industrial Agriculture* and *Closing the Food Gap* – at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts.

The second day will be a “roll up your sleeves” conference at the Thurston County Fairgrounds where we will learn about our current local food system, clarify our vision for the future, and start building the roadmap to get us from today to tomorrow.

The food summit will be the capstone of a series of events throughout the summer and fall that we are calling **Focus on Food**. Events leading up to the summit will include tours of local farms and gardens, events and programs at local Timberland Regional Libraries, discussion groups, and other opportunities to learn about the food system, our local food economy, and options for a more sustainable future.



There are many different ways to become a sponsor:

- Become a **business sponsor** for a contribution of \$250 or more. All business sponsors will be recognized, and business sponsors who contribute \$500 or more will get their logo included in all marketing and promotional materials. Businesses contributing \$1000 or more will also get special recognition on all printed materials and at all summit events.
- Become a **non-profit or government sponsor** for a contribution of \$150 or more. All non-profit or government sponsors will be recognized, and non-profit and government sponsors who contribute \$250 or more will get their logo included in all marketing and promotional materials.
- Become an **individual sponsor** for a contribution of \$50 or more. All individual sponsors will be recognized, and individual sponsors who contribute \$100 or more will get special recognition.

Becoming a sponsor of **Come to the Table – A Community Food Summit** will give you and your organization exposure to hundreds of local residents, and will demonstrate to the community that you care about creating a safe, local and sustainable food system.

**Can we count on your support?**

Tax deductible contributions made out to Sustainable South Sound can be sent to:

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Thank you for your consideration, and if you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact me at 360-943-4596, or by e-mail at [tjohnson@scattercreek.com](mailto:tjohnson@scattercreek.com).

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