



**Massachusetts Food System Collaborative
2024 State Representative and Senator Questionnaire**

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What are three of your priorities that reflect your commitment to a healthy food system for Massachusetts and your constituents?

Priority 1

Stop lobbyists from coercing elected officials into making bad decisions.

Priority 2

Pass laws so that large food companies stop putting ingredients that amount to poison in our food.

Priority 3

Create a system that assures that good food is not thrown away but distributed in poor communities.

How would you support the Healthy Incentives Program?

I would support it in any legislative way I could.

How would you support the food system in mitigating the effects of and adapting to climate change?

I would ask the farmers what is needed.

How would you work to ensure that food system stakeholders of color - consumers, workers, farmers, fishers, business owners, and others - have equitable access to opportunities in all aspects of the food system?

I would make sure everyone has access to food systems.



How would you help to ensure that children understand where food comes from, the importance of healthy eating, and other essential food literacy issues?

I would promote classes in food sustainability, making sure schools are supplied with what they need to create community gardens.

What policies or investments would you support to protect farmland and increase farmland access?

Tax breaks for farmers, programs to get their food to low income communities.

What strategies would you support to reduce food waste?

Find out what companies are throwing away food that is still edible and set up a system for pick up and delivery to low income communities.