

# FOOD CHAIN WORKERS ALLIANCE

We are a network of 33 food worker organizations building the infrastructure for a strong worker movement across all sectors of the food chain. We're excited to share a snapshot of what that looked like in 2023:



## On May Day 2023 we officially launched the **FOOD WORKERS ORGANIZING INSTITUTE**

### 4 member organizer fellows

developed projects:

- Base-building with workers in MS
- Housing surveys with NY farmworkers
- Laying the groundwork for a dairy workers' cooperative in NY
- Strike support for AR poultry workers

**16 workers and organizers** across multiple sectors of the food chain built skills in cohort around outreach (one-on-ones, elevator speeches) and campaigns (choosing targets & tactics)

### 3 popular education webinars:

Organizing Under Racial Capitalism, International May Day Celebration, Know Your Rights to Protest

### 2 Senior Organizer Trainings:

Using GIS Mapping for Organizing, Using Deferred Action as an Organizing Tool

## FOOD WORKER SUMMIT



**65 workers and organizers** from 19 member groups across North America traveled to Springdale, AR for our 2023 summit! Member host Venceremos helped coordinate highlights like making movement art with the Chicago ACT Collective and **marching on the Tyson Foods HQ** to demand answers on child labor. Member-led workshops covered organizing around heat, solidarity economies, union organizing 101 and more.



## PROCURING FOOD JUSTICE

Published [Procuring Food Justice: Grassroots Solutions for Reclaiming Our Public Supply Chains](#) with HEAL Food Alliance in May, drawing on worker surveys, farmer case studies, and a decade of work on values-based purchasing. The report's key recommendations focus on supply chain transparency, enforcement & procurement as a tool to support worker organizing.



**June:** At Lran Conference, members speak on farmworker organizing strategies and automation & surveillance.



**July:** At a congressional briefing, FCWA members speak about workers' rights in the next Farm Bill.

## REGRANTING

**\$40K** for grassroots coalitions working on values-based purchasing

**\$17K** for member organizing & capacity building

**\$15K** for member language justice work

## MEMBERS' CAMPAIGNS



Poultry workers on strike in Arkansas



Construction workers for health & safety in Brooklyn



Vigil for farmworker who died of extreme heat in Florida



Coalition of independent unions for trans solidarity in Portland



Street vendors protest displacement from Hudson Yards, NYC



Restaurant workers introduce their own bill of rights in D.C.