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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:**  | MA FRESH Coordination and Optimization of Resources and Partnerships (MA FRESH CORP) | **FUND CODE:** 0723 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:**  | $349,992.00 (State) |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $1,102,498.87  |
| **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this state funded, competitive grant program pilot is to encourage National School Lunch Program and Child Adult Food Care Program sponsors to build capacity, coordinate and execute local food system education and local procurement in Child Nutrition Programs. In recognition that providing experiential, high-quality, culturally and linguistically sustaining learning environments about our local food system cuts across many disciplines and institutional departments, MA FRESH CORP will fund new staff salaries, stipends or consultant fees to ensure local food system activities are strategically integrated into the classroom, cafeteria and community to support institutionalized, sustained programs that promote food literacy. |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:**  | 37 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:**  | 14 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:**  | 23 |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** Funds will be used to support the creation of full-time, salaried and benefited positions, part-time positions, the expansion of current part-time positions into full-time, salaried and benefited positions, and new or expanded stipending structures that compensate internal educators, nutrition professionals, staff or families coordinating and implementing local food system educational activities. In addition, these funds will be leveraged to provide professional development and consultation to educators, school nutrition professionals and farm-to-school stakeholders as well as support the purchase of supplies and services that support school gardens, hydroponic growing systems, culinary classes, food literacy curricular activities, and kitchen equipment for preparing unprocessed or minimally processed local foods for school meals  |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Acton-Boxborough Public School District | $28,961 |
| Boston Public School District | $48,316 |
| Bristol County Agricultural Public School District | $35,420 |
| Chicopee Public School District | $16,620 |
| Collaborative for Regional Educational Service and Training | $14,950 |
| Crispus Attucks Children’s Center | $17,600 |
| Frontier Public School District | $27,372 |
| Gloucester Public School District | $16,075 |
| MetroWest YMCA | $15,023 |
| Nauset Regional Public School District | $17,700 |
| Northampton Public School District | $15,125 |
| Robbins Children’s Programs, Inc | $26,591 |
| Salem Public Schools | $44,039 |
| Watertown Public Schools | $26,200 |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | **$349,992**  |