

Our Story

Food security work has a long history in BC and involves collaboration across public, private and nonprofit sectors. Here are some of the contributions Table Matters has made so far.



2015

- **Annual Fall Forum, An Evening of Dialogue and Dinner: What's Growing on the North Shore** reinforces the food security networks
- **Let's Talk Food Policy - A Regional Gathering** Co-hosted by Table Matters, nurtures resource development for municipal policy tools
- **The Foodprint Challenge** brings awareness to household organic waste



2014/
2015

- **The North Shore Community Food Charter** is endorsed by North Shore elected officials, school districts, first nations leaders and VCH



- **Annual Fall Forum, An Evening of Dialogue and Dinner: Let's Talk Food Rescue** engages and educates the public on food waste alternatives

- **Table Matters, the Edible Garden Project & municipal staff submit policy recommendations** responding to the North Shore Community Food Charter

2014

2013

- **Annual Fall Forum, An Evening of Dialogue and Dinner** introduces the North Shore Community Food Charter to the public
- **The North Shore Community Food Charter** is presented to Congress



2012

- **Annual Fall Forum, An Evening of Dialogue and Dinner** welcomes community feedback toward drafting a Food Charter
- **The first draft of the North Shore Community Food Charter** is presented to Municipal Councils



2011

- **Annual Fall Forum, An Evening of Dialogue and Dinner: Urban Agriculture and Sustainable Food Systems** gathers community leaders to share ideas and present solutions
- **The District of North Vancouver OCP** further integrates urban agriculture policy



2010

- **Annual Fall Forum, An Evening of Dialogue and Dinner: Agricultural Urbanism: Great Food System Opportunities for the North Shore** gives local mayors a platform to voice food security visions and strategies
- **Table Matters Reference Group** schedules monthly meetings
- **District of North Vancouver OCP** adopts urban agriculture, food security and food policy developments



2009

- **Advancing Urban Agriculture Grants** enables 13 new projects across the North Shore
- **Forum: Feeding the Future** with Michael Ableman inspires local action toward food security
- **The First Annual Fall Forum, Table Matters: A Community Discussion about Food Security on the North Shore** incites food security discussions among local government, businesses and community leaders
- **The North Shore Food Action Committee** becomes the Table Matters Reference Group



2008

- **Vancouver Coastal Health** commits to providing adequate, safe, nutritious and culturally appropriate foods that are produced in environmentally sustainable ways



2006

- **The North Shore Food Action Committee** emerges
- **The Edible Garden Project** breaks ground

2005

- **The Community Food Action Initiative** plants the seed for a North Shore Table Matters Network