



## GOOD OLD LOWER EAST SIDE (GOLES)

GOLES (Good Old Lower East Side) is a neighborhood housing and preservation organization that has served the Lower East Side of Manhattan since 1977. We're dedicated to tenants' rights, homelessness prevention, economic development, and community revitalization.



## ARTISTS, ATHLETES, ACTIVISTS (AAA)

Artists, Athletes, Activists (AAA) is an organization led by Artists, Athletes and Activists that use our platforms to take action and bring awareness to issues that deal with health, fitness, wellness and social justice in marginalized and underserved communities.



## NYC'S TASKFORCE ON RACIAL INCLUSION AND EQUITY (TRIE)

TRIE works to address deeply rooted racial and economic disparities that have been heightened during this crisis with an equity-based approach to the recovery efforts of the City. Services are designed to address the specific challenges of New Yorkers in communities of color hardest-hit by COVID-19.



## Plant-Based Community Fridge



*A partnership between GOLES, Artists Athletes and Activists, and TRIE*



# FOOD INSECURITY IN OUR COMMUNITY

In the Lower East Side the City's long-time and lower-income residents are experiencing gentrification by some of the wealthiest New Yorkers.

Throughout New York City, 12.9% of residents face food insecurity, compared to the Lower East Side where the number rises to 17.9%.

Today, 1 in 4 students city-wide experience food scarcity and malnutrition.

Food scarcity and lack of access to healthy, plant-based foods directly affects the health of our community, and we believe that everyone is entitled to healthy, quality produce and autonomy over their health.



## WHAT WE'RE DOING ABOUT IT

In partnership with AAA, and TRIE, GOLES is launching a series of plant-based fridges in our community's public schools.

In 2021, TRIE launched a program that gave selected communities \$40,000 to implement a program of their choosing through a participatory budgeting process. Nearly 2,000 LES residents voted on three options and 61% of voters chose to implement a School Community Fridges Program.

Students and their families of participating schools will have access to regularly stocked fridges which feature plant-based produce and foods.

## OUR PLANT-BASED FRIDGE LOCATIONS

M332 University Neighborhood  
Middle School

P.S. 015 The Roberto Clemente  
School

P.S. 140 Nathan Straus

P.S. 034 Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Tompkins Square Middle  
School

P.S. 188 The Island School

P.S. 134 Henrietta Szold School

PS 110 The Florence  
Nightingale School

***Fridges will be stocked regularly for families of students from the above schools. Contact your parent coordinator for additional questions.***

