

Dear Michigan Legislator:

We are delivering these plates on behalf of supporters of a program commonly called 10 Cents a Meal for School Kids & Farms, but more formally known as the “local produce in schools” line item in the School Aid Budget, section 31j.

10 Cents supporters from around the state **thank you** for your previous support of 10 Cents in the final Senate and House budgets. Our hope is that funding for 10 Cents is restored to \$2 million and available statewide in a final supplemental budget for School Aid, as originally approved by the Legislature.

Scores of people around the state are excited about this program, along with numerous organizations including the Michigan Farm Bureau, Cherry Capital Foods distribution company, Michigan Farm to Freezer, Michigan Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Healthy Kids-Healthy Michigan, Michigan League for Public Policy, School Nutrition Association of Michigan, Michigan Farmers Union, numerous farmers, and schools from Flint and Detroit to the Upper Peninsula.

People wondered what they could do – and so they started using crayons and markers to write notes on paper plates. We are happy to deliver these plates to you.

For more information, please contact Groundwork Center for Resilient Communities, 231-499-3937.