

2024 FALL SUMMIT



At the 2024 Fall Summit, *Accelerating Solutions for Systemic Change*, H2HC convened 90 innovators and changemakers from 14 states creating solutions to food and nutrition challenges and advancing health equity nationwide.

- 2024 Prizes for Innovation were presented to [StreetCred](#) and [The Giving Grove](#), and past and present winners presented about how they are addressing health equity.
- Food and Health sector panels discussed creative corporate solutions and the importance of Community Action Agencies.
- Speakers discussed the large impact of growing nutritious food in the community and the advancement of Food Is Medicine.
- Participants shared their recommendations for future collaborations and initiatives.



2024 Fall Summit Highlight Summary

[Read the full 2024 report here.](#)

Introduction to 2024 Prizes for Innovation Winners:

H2HC 2024 Prizes for Innovation winners, [StreetCred](#) at Boston Medical Center and [The Giving Grove](#), were introduced at the Summit by the previous year's winners ([DC Central Kitchen](#) and [Alameda County Recipe4Health](#)).

Driving Change through Corporate Action:

Leaders from [Chobani](#), [Newman's Own Foundation](#), [Stop & Shop](#), and [Quest Diagnostics](#) focused on the impact that the private sector can have by investing in creative solutions to address health equity.

60 Years of Fighting Poverty in America:

CEOs and Executive Directors from three Massachusetts Community Action Agencies ([Action for Boston Community Development](#), [Community Action Pioneer Valley](#), and

[Worcester Community Action Council](#)) discussed the vital role that these agencies play in tackling poverty and the systemic inequities particular to their diverse regional populations.

H2HC Prize Winners as Changemakers:

Both the 2023 and 2024 H2HC Prizes for Innovation winners shared how their organizations are addressing approaches to systemic health equity in their respective communities.



Accelerating Solutions for the Next Generation:

Stephen Ritz, founder of the internationally recognized [Green Bronx Machine](#), shared highlights of transformative power of growing and cooking nutritious food in low-income schools and marginalized communities.

A Conversation with Corby Kummer:

Corby Kummer, Executive Director of [Food & Society at the Aspen Institute](#), in conversation with Shannon Huneke, Accenture, discussed the Institute's work to advance Food Is Medicine.

Spotlight on the Federal Food Is Medicine Toolkit:

Natalia Guevara, OASH/HHS and Sheila Hanley, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation, discussed the new [Federal Food Is Medicine virtual toolkit](#), that integrates Food Is Medicine work at the local, state, and federal levels.

H2HC asked for participant recommendations in our future collaborations:

- Focus on data, evaluating impact, and social return on investment (SROI).
- Build inclusive and sustainable local economies through food sector investments.
- Explore more sustainable sources of funding to continue and expand our work during the new administration.
- Use technology and AI to increase efficiency and make more of potentially reduced federal support.
- Engage the private sector on a deeper level as both funders and advocates.

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