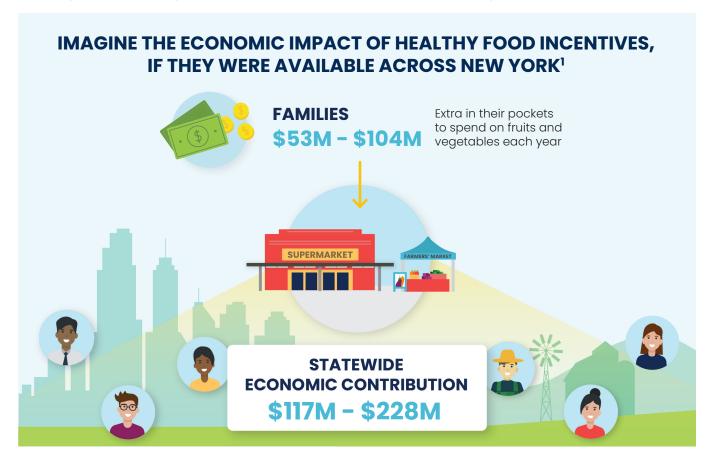
## **EXPANDING HEALTHY FOOD INCENTIVES ACROSS NEW YORK**

## THE RETURN ON INVESTMENT

For more than a decade, healthy food incentive programs have increased the purchasing power of low-income families to buy fruits and vegetables at grocery stores and farmers' markets, thereby helping to reduce hunger, improve nutrition and support New York's agriculture and retail.



## **ECONOMIC MULTIPLIER**

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Contribution to New York's economy for every \$1 spent on incentives **LABOR INCOME** 

\$27M - \$53M

**JOBS** 

525 - 1.025

\$527K - \$1M for Agricultural sector

\$2M - \$4M

for Retail sector

The research highlighted in this brief is based upon analysis conducted by a team of economists at Colorado State University, led by Dr. Dawn Thilmany, in partnership with SPUR, Fair Food Network, and a coalition of ten additional implementing partners across nine states in the US, including Field & Fork Network. For the full details of methodology and findings see: fairfoodnetwork.org/incentivesimpact

<sup>1</sup> The ranges presented here reflect low-bound and high-bound scenarios based on assumptions of annual SNAP participation; the percent of grocery stores, corners stores, and farm-direct retail outlets that would offer incentives; and whether a program encourages purchases of locallygrown produce.









