Local food creates jobs.

Food production in the South Sound—such as shellfish, meat, fruits, vegetables, and craft beer & spirits—is one of the top five industries in our region, generating more than one billion dollars in revenue every year.
Local growers, unlike larger wholesale farms, buy most of their supplies from local companies. Money spent locally tends to stay local, creating a ripple effect that benefits more people in our communities.

Because these farms are nearby, they can donate extra food to local food banks easily and efficiently. On average, the Thurston County Food Bank receives more than 3,000 lbs. of donated produce from local farms every year!

Buy from a local farmer and your money will help feed our communities, too.

Food that’s grown close to home tastes better, keeps longer, and has more nutrients than food trucked in from faraway places.

But did you know it’s also better for the local economy?

Experience one-of-a-kind dining and tasting experiences and meet local farmers, craft brewers, and distillers along Thurston County’s Bountiful Byway.

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