

Dear Chair Westrom, Chair Sundin, and members of the committee,

LEAFF support the small farmers and provide fresh vegetables to the communities. With inflation, everything goes up in prices but wages do not commensurate and lots of people are struggling. Right now even middle class families are struggling to put meals on the table. The LEAFF program not only help the farmers to continue their farming business but more importantly, it helps the communities to have fresh healthy choices without having to break the bank. Why limit something that brings value to the greater good? We are all tied together in one way shape or form. Taking something away from one thing will have an affect on another thing. LEAFF/The Good Acre is not about them, it's about the communities they serve. Limiting the funds to support these programs will limit the resources that everyday people need and depend on, especially during the ongoing pandemic crisis.

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