

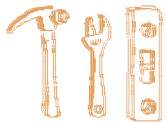
GROUNDSWELL CENTER FOR LOCAL FOOD & FARMING ANNUAL REPORT 2019



IN 2019, GROUNDSWELL ENTERED OUR 10TH YEAR

and became an independent 501c3 non-profit. We were honored to receive the *Community Food Funders* award for our leadership in justice and farming in the Northeast. In addition to our monthly farming, business, and justice courses, we piloted a trade-based workshop series for women; topics included butcher, chainsaw, and welding. Meanwhile, our new matched savings program for farmers of color invested in 8 small farm businesses. We co-hosted the National Incubator Farmer Training Initiative Annual Conference. Members of Groundswell joined the Finger Lakes Land Reparations & Reconciliations Working Group to strategize land-based solutions to farming inequalities. Incubator farmers established new relationships with a regional CSA and a food hub to sell wholesale produce.

2019 AT A GLANCE →



5 WORKSHOPS

FOR WOMEN IN OUR 'WOMEN ON THE LAND' SERIES



\$24,000

INVESTED IN 8 FARM BUSINESSES VIA MATCHED SAVINGS PROGRAM



10 FARM

BUSINESSES AT 10-ACRE INCUBATOR FARM



3,360 FT²

OF HOOP HOUSE SPACE ADDED TO INCUBATOR FARM



10 YEARS

OF SUPPORTING BEGINNING FARMERS



60 ONE-ON-ONE

FARM BUSINESS CONSULTATIONS



504 GROWERS

PARTICIPATED IN AG OR JUSTICE-BASED WORKSHOPS



80 PEOPLE

ATTENDED THE 2.5 DAY NATIONAL INCUBATOR TRAINING CONFERENCE

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT: GROW YOUR FARM BUSINESS COURSE

JOHN GRADUATED FROM GROUNDSWELL'S FARM BUSINESS COURSE IN 2018. HE USED SKILLS LEARNED IN THE COURSE TO EXPAND HIS FERMENTS BUSINESS, CALLED 'LIL FARMA'



GROUNDSWELL
Center for Local Food & Farming

OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS

Groundswell Center for Local Food & Farming has supported beginning farmers to develop agricultural skills and grow profitable, equitable, and sustainable farm businesses in the Finger Lakes



PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT: ESL TRACTOR CLASS
GROUNDSWELL OFFERED A LANGUAGE-SUPPORTED TRACTOR SAFETY CLASS FOR THE INCUBATOR FARMERS FROM BURMA. SEVERAL PARTICIPANTS USED THESE NEW SKILLS TO CULTIVATE THEIR FIELDS THIS YEAR.

2020 STRATEGIC GOALS

EDUCATE FOR SUSTAINABLE FARMING

LAUNCH THE FARMER PRACTICUM, AN INTENSIVE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR NEW FARMERS

COLLABORATE FOR JUSTICE

HOST "VOICES FROM THE LAND," A FILM SERIES PROMOTING AGRICULTURAL JUSTICE

COHOST A COMMUNITY-WIDE BOOK READ OF "FREEDOM FARMERS"

SUPPORT BEGINNING FARMERS

ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY FARM FOR REFUGEE GROWERS

CONNECT FARMERS OF COLOR TO USDA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

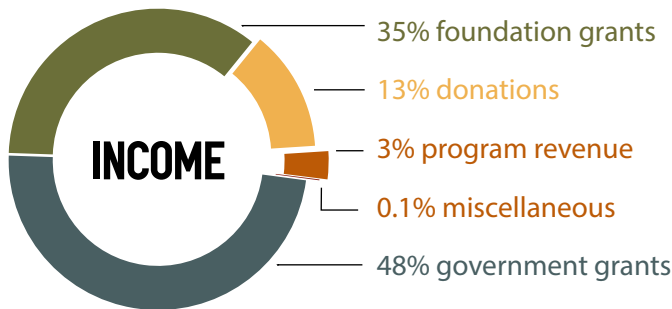
CREATE LAND ACCESS

EXPAND OUR FARM BUSINESS INCUBATOR PROGRAM TO INCLUDE PERENNIAL AND LIVESTOCK ENTERPRISES

LINK BEGINNING FARMERS TO LAND THROUGH LEASE OR PURCHASE

FINANCIAL REPORT

detailed financial statements available upon request



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