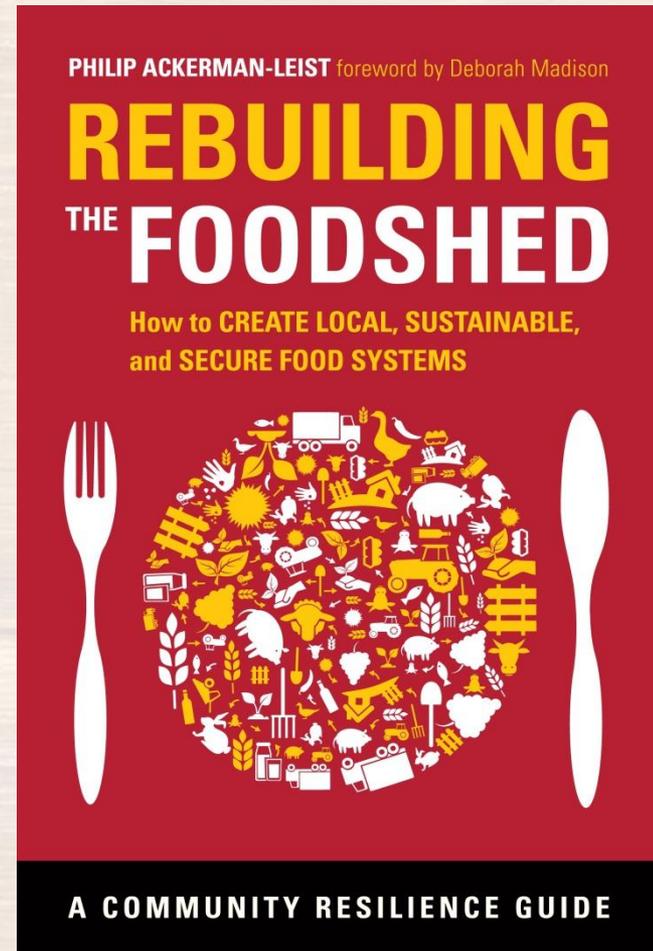
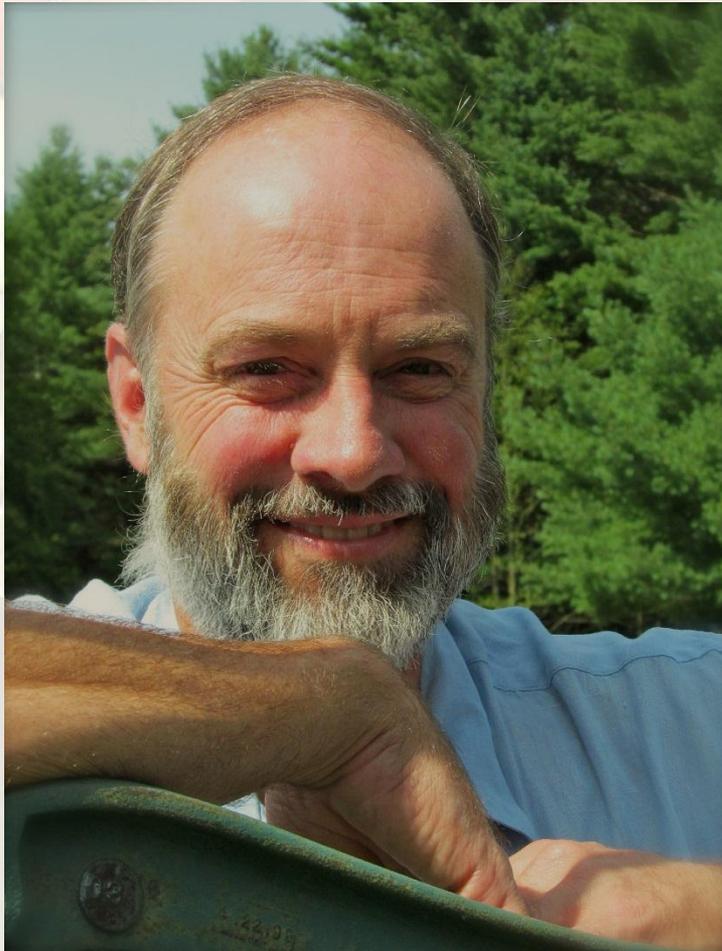
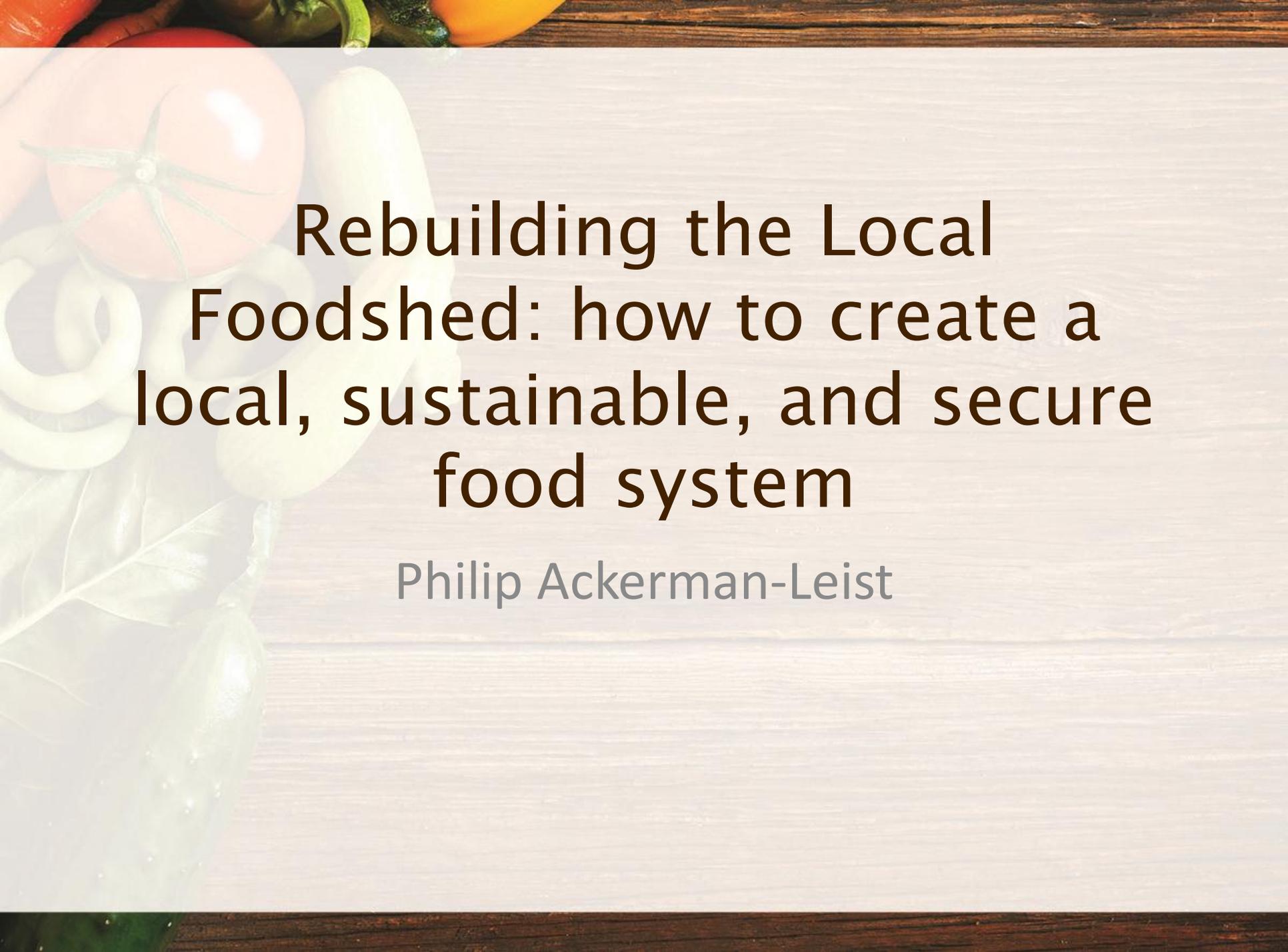


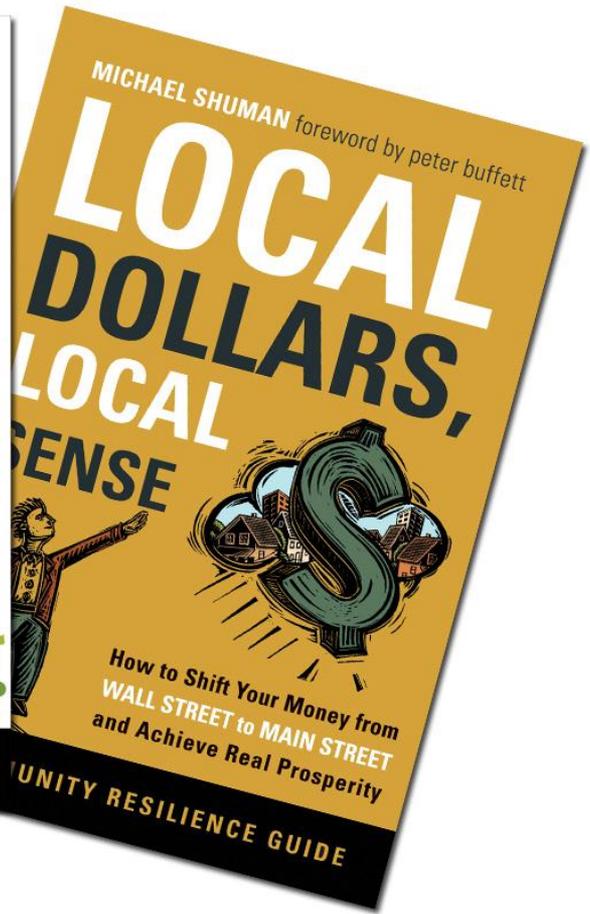
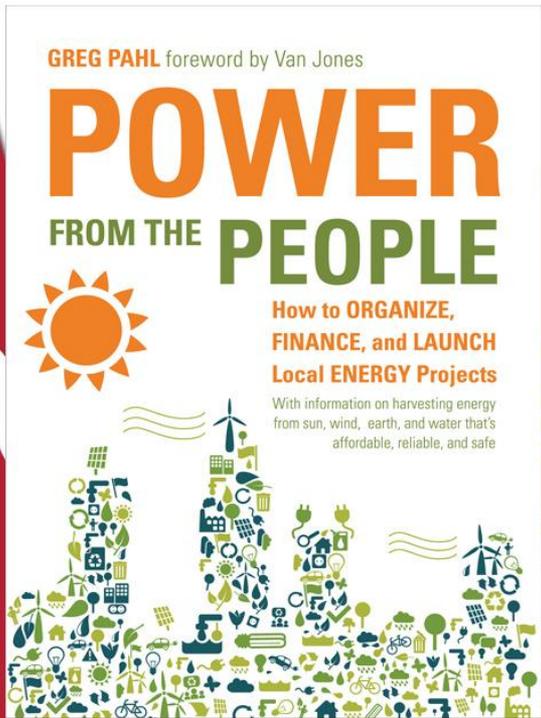
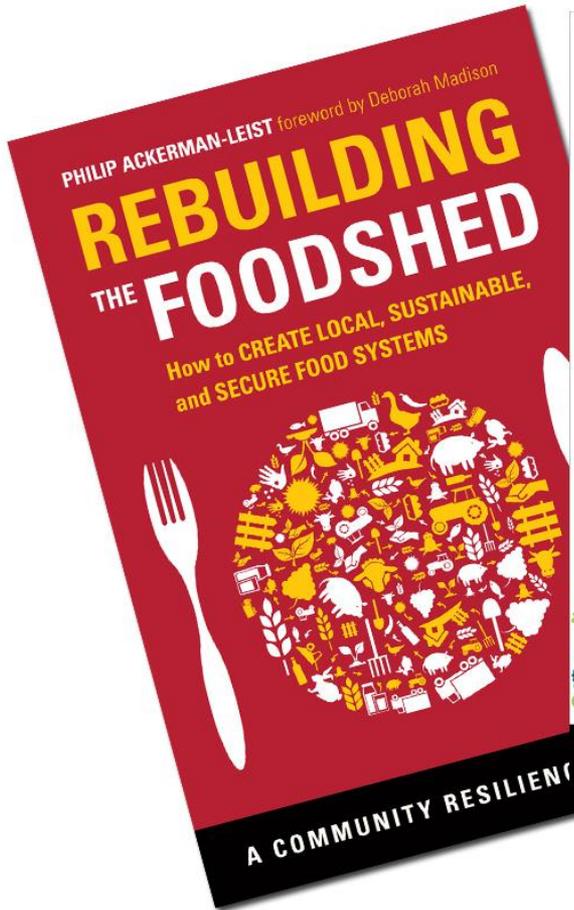
# Philip Ackerman-Leist



A collage of fresh vegetables including tomatoes, onions, and leafy greens on a wooden surface. The background is a light-colored wooden plank texture. The text is overlaid on this background.

# Rebuilding the Local Foodshed: how to create a local, sustainable, and secure food system

Philip Ackerman-Leist





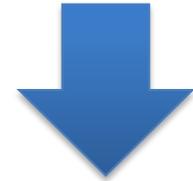
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# Foodshed:

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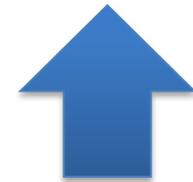


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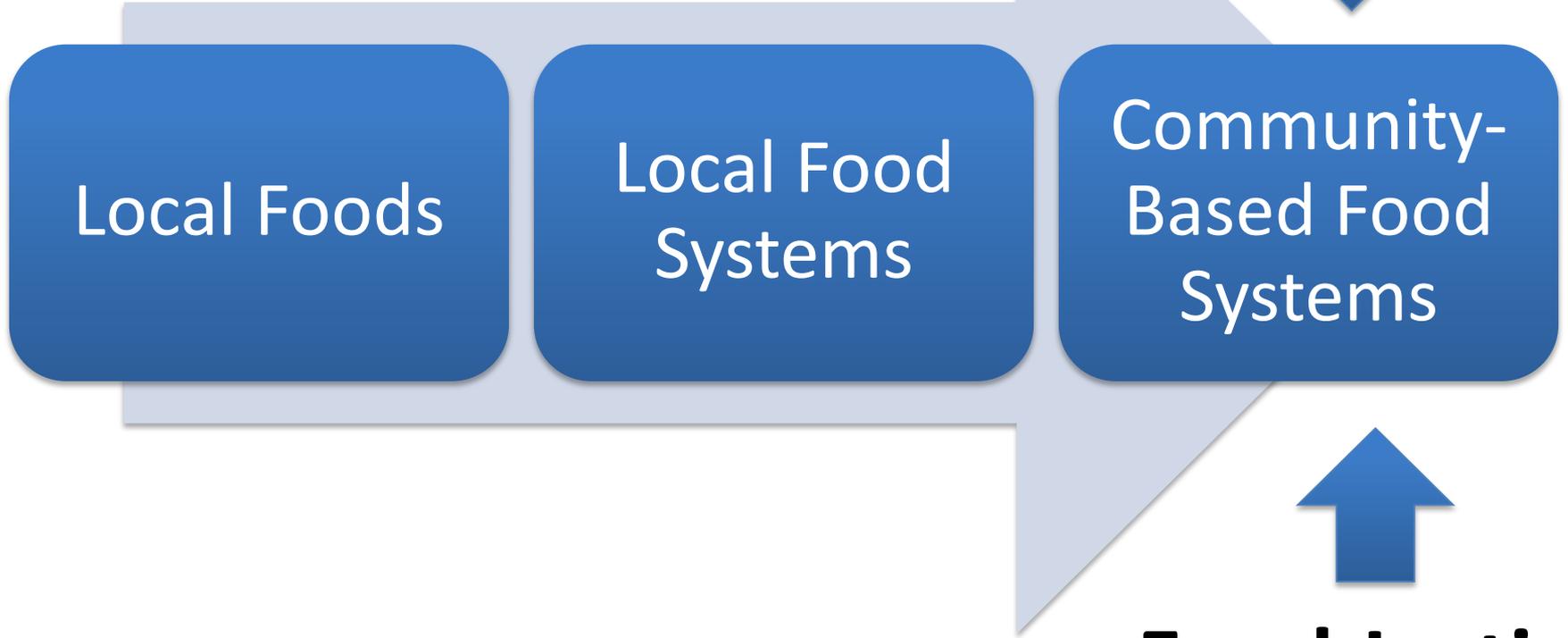
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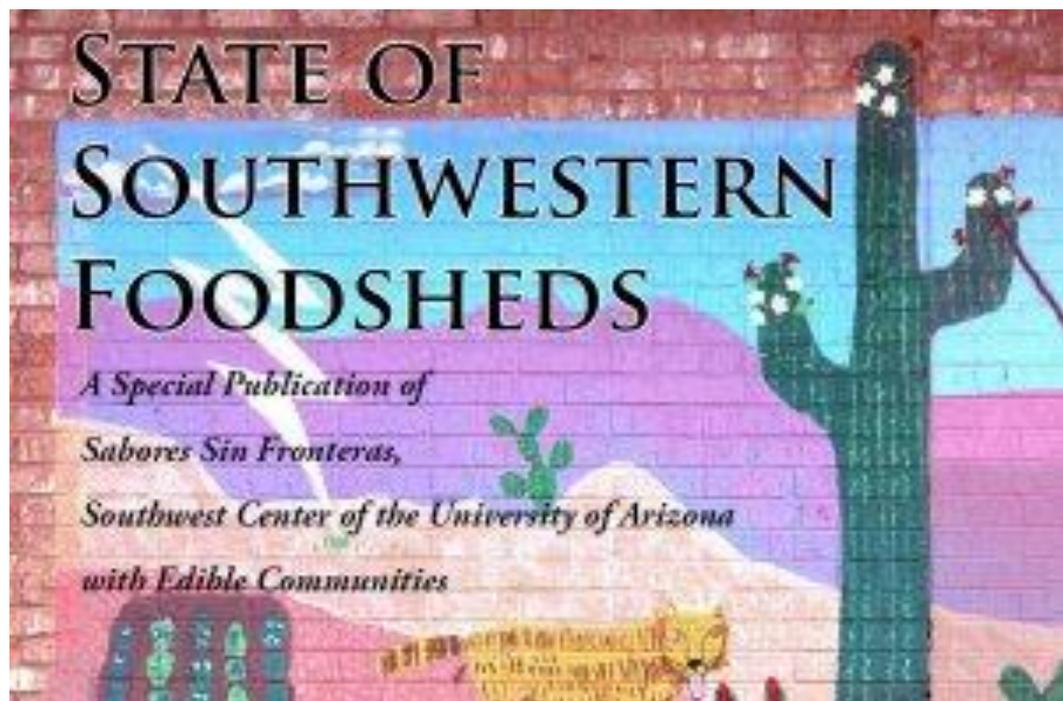
Local Foods

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*Is it possible to redesign our food systems in the U.S./Mexico borderlands so that they enhance the “caring capacity” of our lands and its communities? Can we increase that capacity so that we will be less apt to impoverish both the health of the land and the health of its multi-cultural communities than they currently do?*

Gary  
Nabhan



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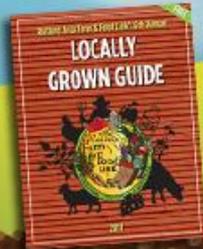
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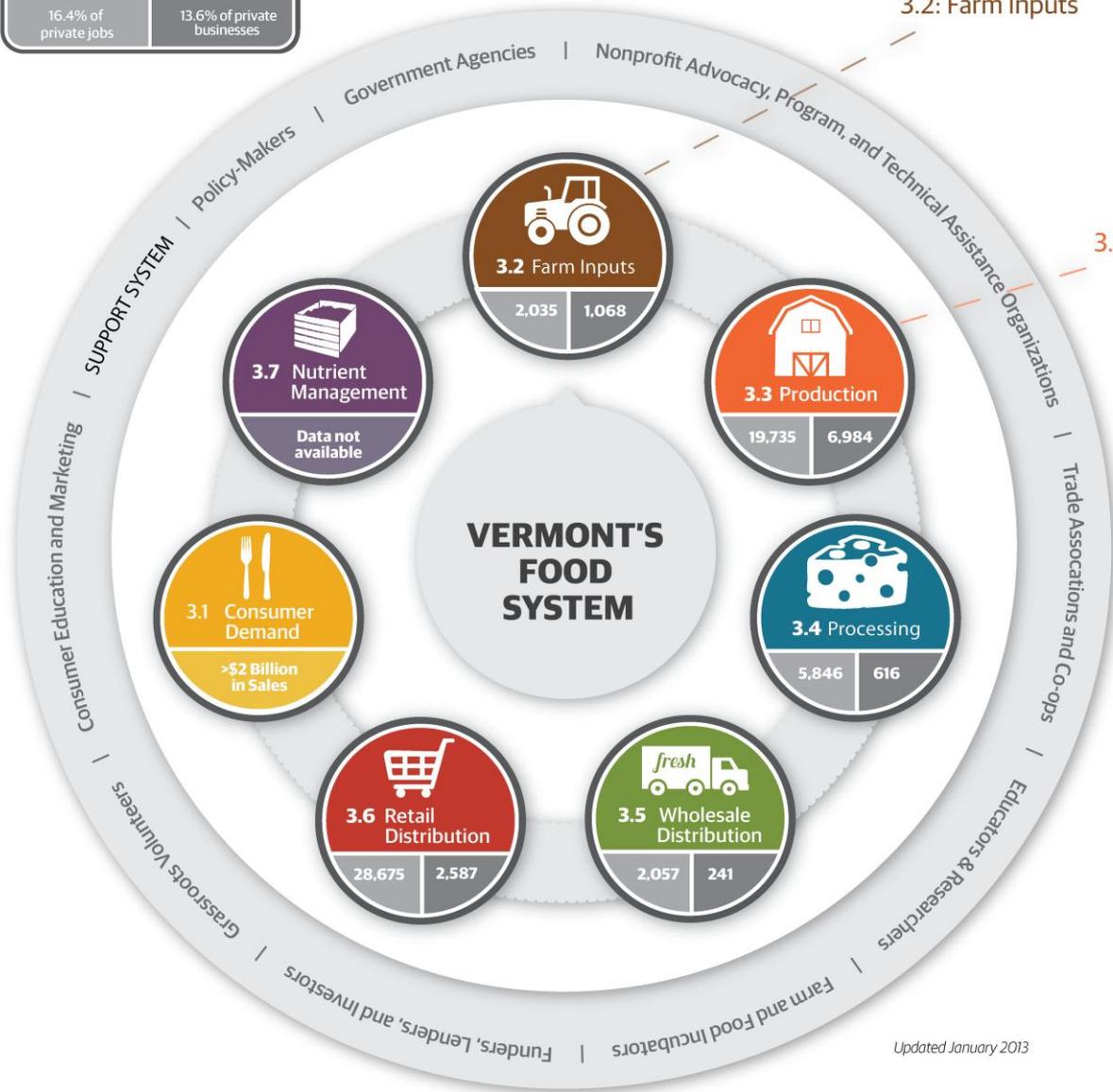
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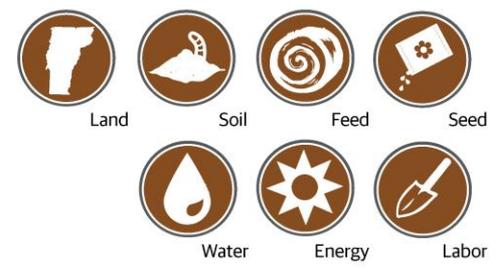
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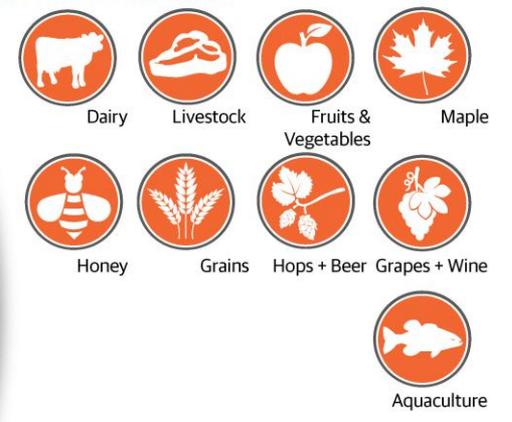
TOTAL JOBS and BUSINESSES	
<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Businesses</b>
58,348	11,496
16.4% of private jobs	13.6% of private businesses



### 3.2: Farm Inputs

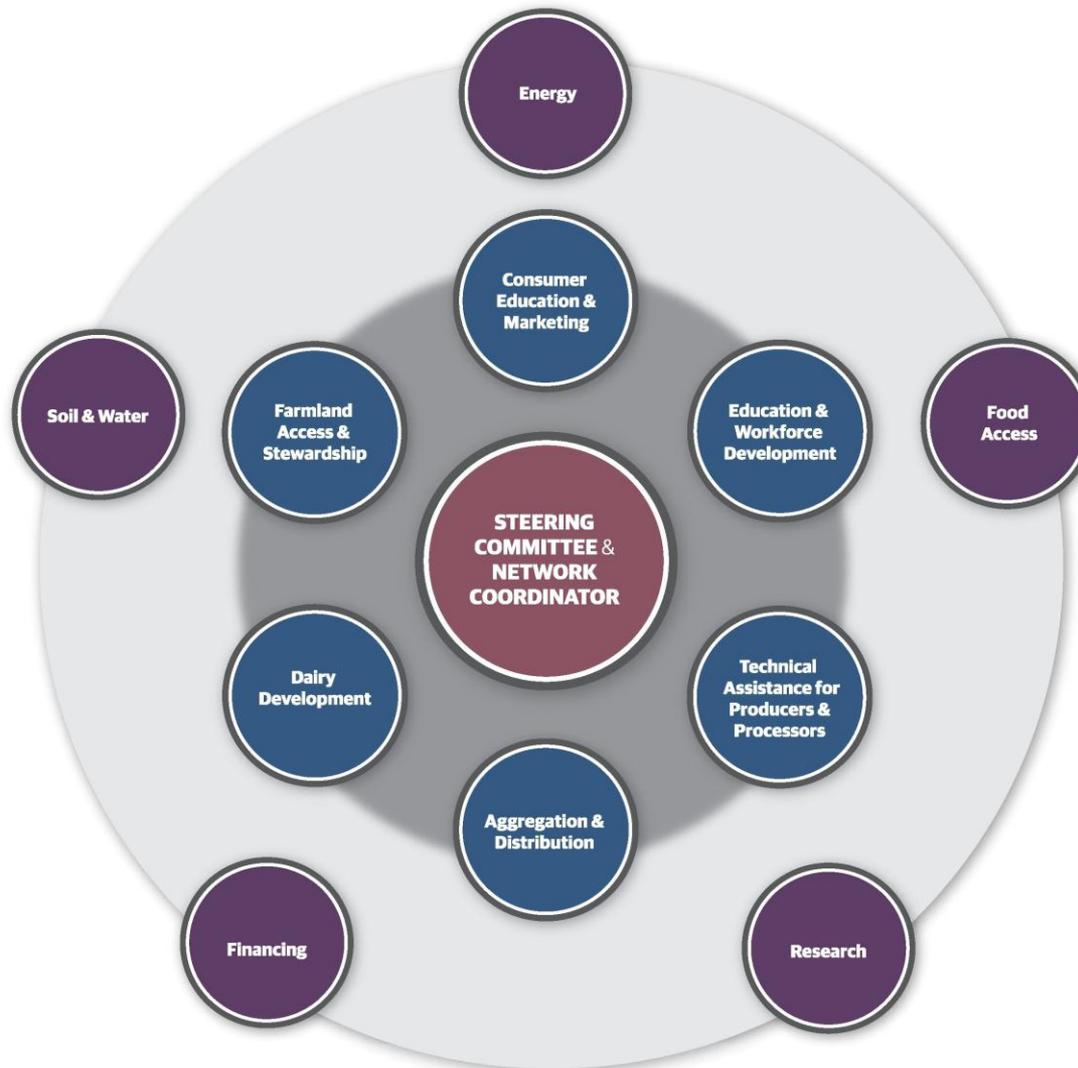


### 3.3: Food Production



### 4: Crosscutting Issues





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F2P Network  
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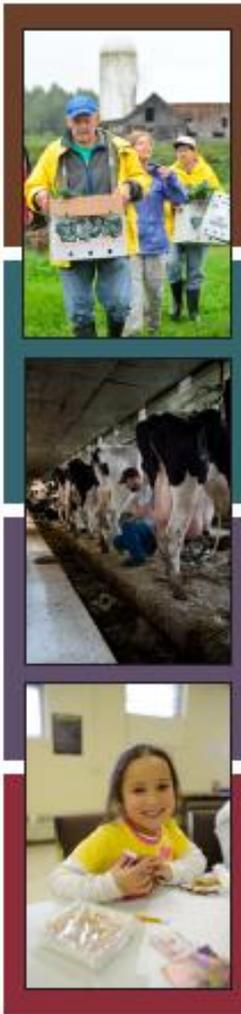
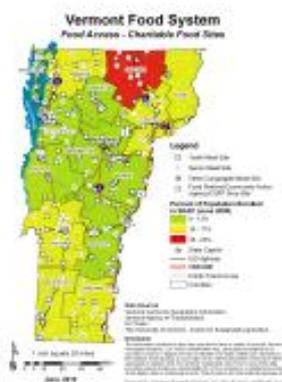
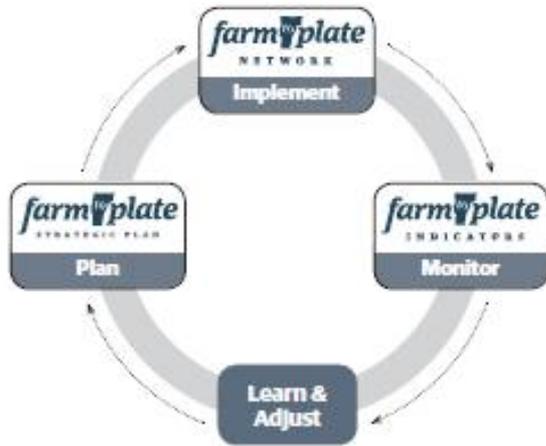
Network Coordinator: Backbone Support Structure for the F2P Network

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## INDICATORS

*Measuring Success*

The Farm to Plate Strategic Plan identifies dozens of indicators to measure success over the next ten years. The Farm to Plate Network will monitor progress toward accomplishing our goals. The Vermont Food System Atlas will provide a web-based platform for organizations and businesses to provide and gather data.



The primary goals of the legislation are to:

1. Increase economic development in Vermont's food and farm sector.
2. Create jobs in the food and farm economy.
3. Improve access to healthy local foods.



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Entire Site | Keyword, person, location | GO

SEARCH THE ATLAS

THE PLAN THE NETWORK GETTING TO 2020 THE ATLAS

## EXPLORE VERMONT'S FOOD SYSTEM

GET LISTED IN THE ATLAS

Search for people and places in Vermont's food system by keyword, food system category, and location.

<http://www.vtfoodatlas.com/>

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**\$ 1 Billion  
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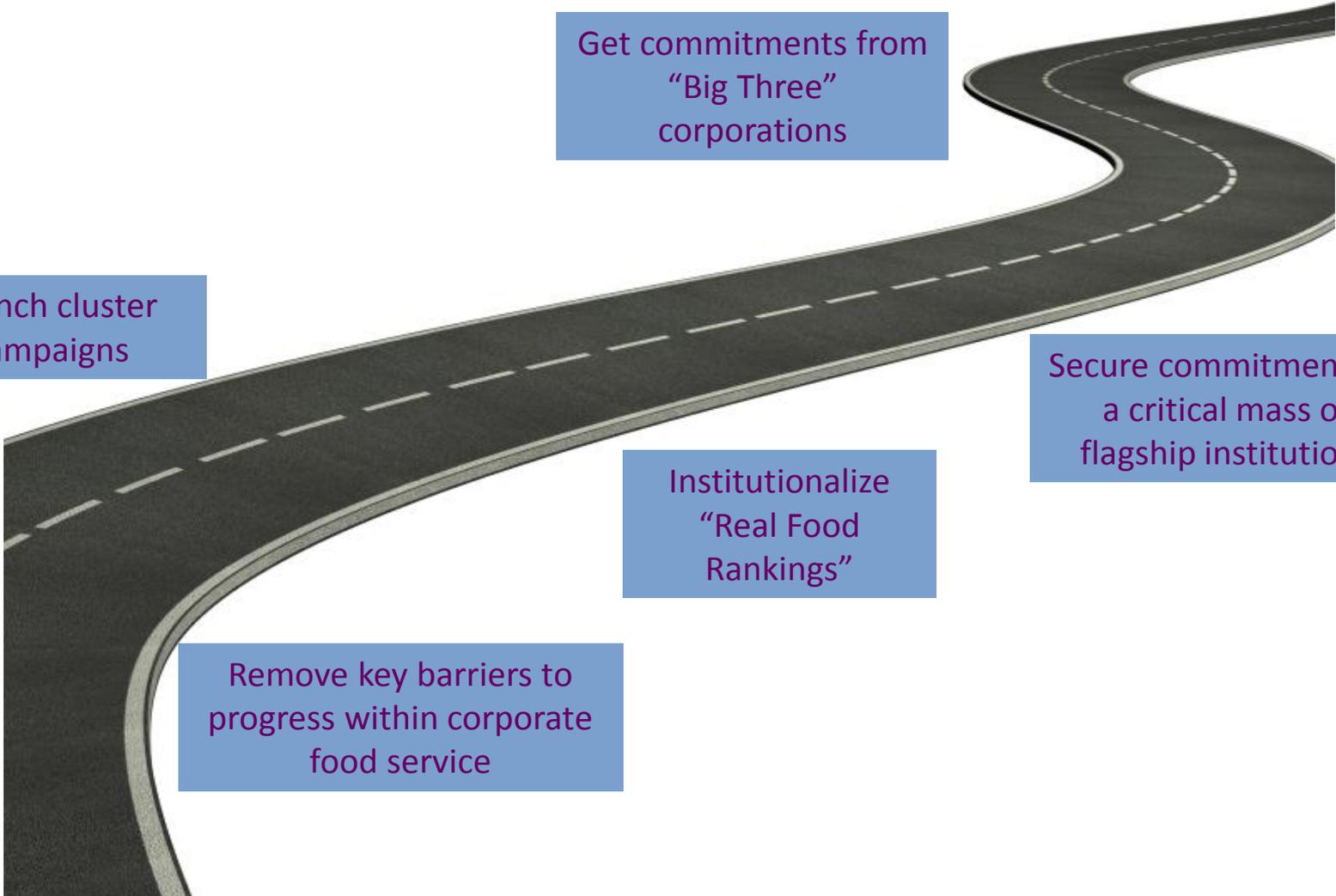
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corporations

Launch cluster  
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Institutionalize  
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Remove key barriers to  
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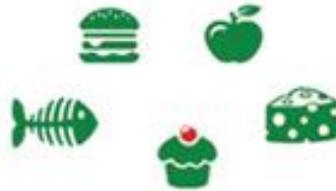






# anaerobic digestion (AD)

food waste



food waste broken down without oxygen



- heated up to kill pathogens
- microorganisms carefully controlled

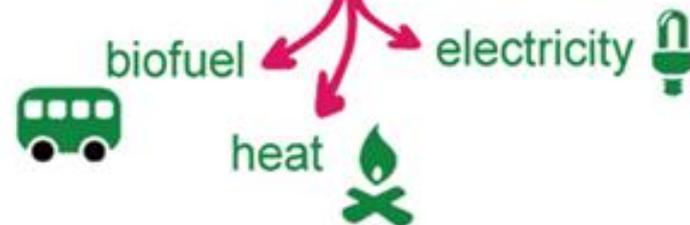
used to improve soil & help grow plants



nutrient-rich biofertiliser

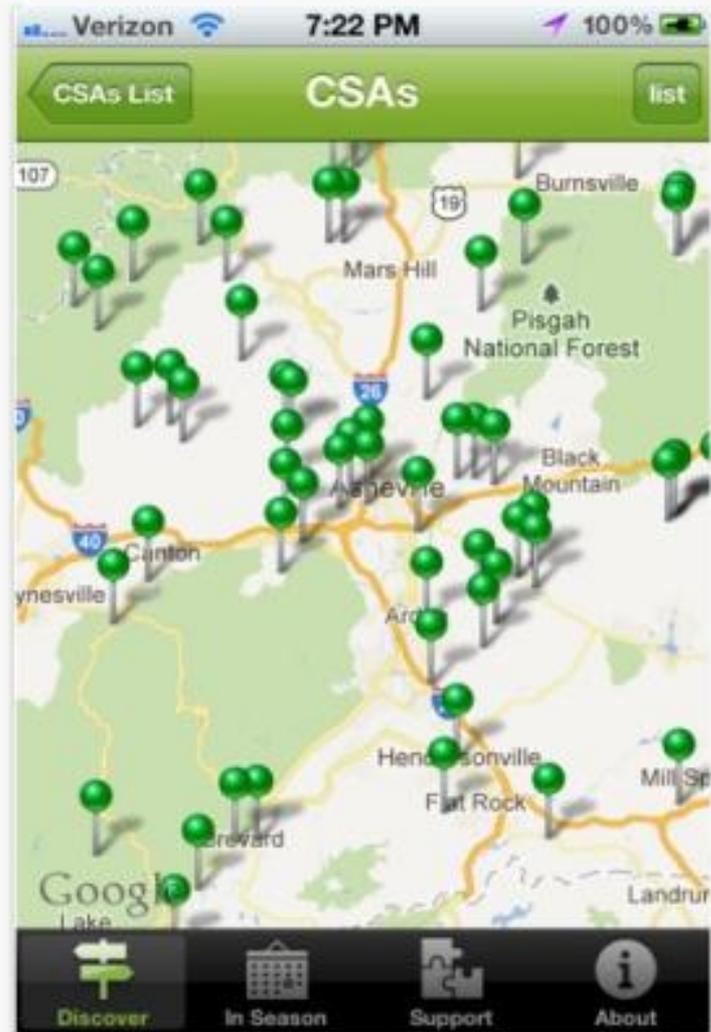
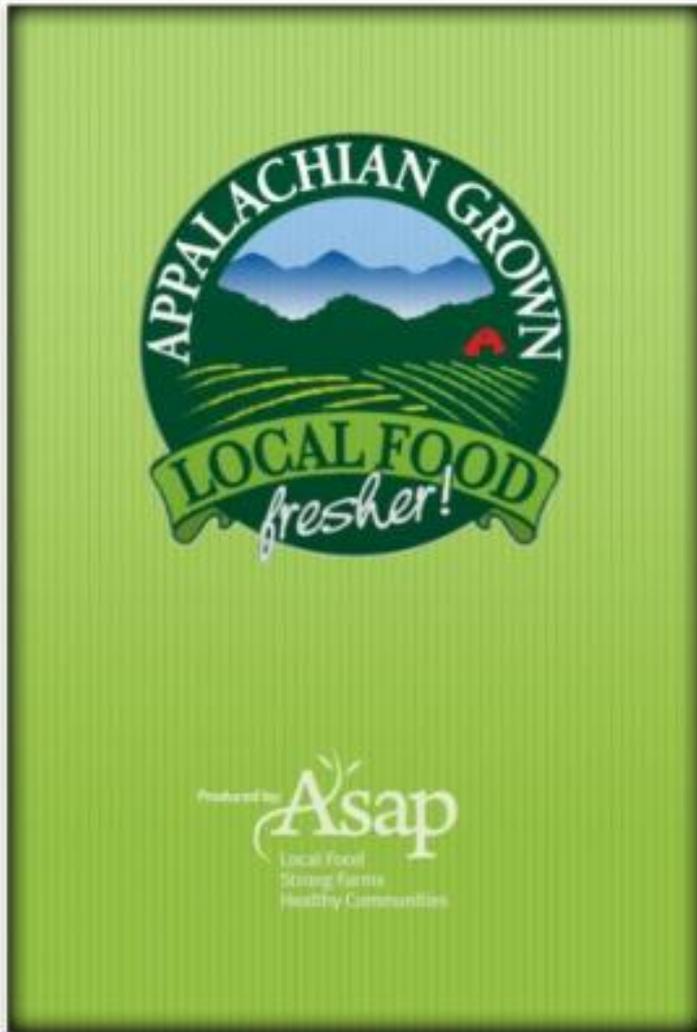


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# iPhone Screenshots



# Prison Labor Bringing Gleaned Crops To Food Shelves

By AMY KOLB NOYES • SEP 20, 2013

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*Inmates load bags of gleaned winter squash into Salvation Farms' truck.*

AMY NOYES VPR

# GREEN COLLAR = CUELLO VERDE

workers retrained to work in agriculture = "reconvertido profesionalmente en la agricultura"

"el estudiante"  
= the student

MARIA BRAVO

JOSE NUÑEZ

"el maestro"  
= the teacher

"la calabacita"  
= the zucchini

"la flor"  
= the flower

"el cuchillo"  
= the knife

## ALBA = AGRICULTURE + LAND BASED TRAINING ASSOCIATION

This group provides land and guidance for aspiring farmers (like Maria Bravo) and farmworkers interested in growing and selling their own organic crops. Farmers are trained in:

- 1) organic farm production
- 2) marketing
- 3) record keeping
- 4) labor practices
- 5) pest management

(and other skillsets required for running a small farm business)

31 August 2010  
Alba Organic Farm  
at Fiple M Ranch  
Las Lomas, CA



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For one day, she couldn't imagine herself participating in a new career, but then she heard about ALBA. They gave her a half

cooper. After 20 years working

the plot. With help from her former-union and daughter (she helped start), Maria Bravo put her faith in Mother Nature and started a farm

Maria Bravo's grandfather was

MARIA BRAVO WAS AN OFFICE WORKER AT BIRDSEYE FOODS FOR 20 YEARS BEFORE THE PLANT CLOSED IN 2003.

Rebuilding our foodsheds reminds us that we should not confuse *liberty* with the freedom to ignore, *the pursuit of happiness* with mindless trampling, or *life* as a mere biological threshold of tentative sustenance.