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Food Tank is a nonprofit organization focused on building a global community for safe, healthy, nourished eaters. We spotlight environmentally, socially, and economically sustainable ways of alleviating hunger, obesity, and poverty, and we create networks of people, organizations, and content to push for change in the food system.

Food Tank was founded by Danielle Nierenberg and Bernard Pollack in January of 2013 in Chicago, Illinois. Food Tank is a registered 501(c)(3), and all donations are tax-deductible. Danielle Nierenberg has served as President since the organization’s inception with Bernard Pollack as the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The organization is headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland.
I hope everyone is reading this in good health and in a safe environment.

Typically, this letter talks about Food Tank as an organization—what we achieved and what we are planning for the future—and you will be able to get all that from this report. But because it’s an unprecedented time for all of us, I wanted to reflect on our collective grief and anxiety. There are incredible economic, environmental, and social challenges facing us right now because of COVID-19, but I believe that there is also hope for change.

Since the lockdown began, my coping mechanism has been to continue listening to farmers, chefs, scientists, policymakers, and other experts, and I want to focus this letter on what I’m hearing.

I’m usually traveling somewhere like Dakar or Des Moines to hear from farmers, chefs, policymakers, or scientists about how to fix a food system that I and many others have called broken. Now, I video-conference with experts about how COVID-19 is transforming the world’s food system.

From the stories they share, it’s clear that agriculture needed to be revolutionized pre-pandemic—and we can’t return to the way things were. These unprecedented challenges provide enormous opportunities to create a food system that can’t be broken—one that is truly regenerative and restorative, and that leaves no one behind. Here are four of those changes:

COMBINING HIGH AND LOW TECH

Since Friday, March 13, U.S. farmers have had to pivot dramatically. As farmers’ markets and restaurants closed, they were left without outlets to sell food. Digital technology is helping to change the way they do business. In Minnesota, the Mill City Farmers Market set up an online store for customers to choose products from individual farms and then pick up groceries via a drive-through market.

The National Young Farmers Coalition and the Glynwood Center for Regional Food and Farming are using Zoom meetings to provide advice on food safety. Old-fashioned phone trees are being set up so that farmers can share resources or simply check in on one another.

And for those who rely on SNAP benefits, Wholesome Wave is piloting an online system to deliver essentials. Pandemic or not, allowing SNAP clients to access food just as easily as eaters who order food online will be a gamechanger, particularly for parents and the elderly.

MAKING THE INVISIBLE VISIBLE

It’s no secret that those harvesting, slaughtering, processing, preparing, distributing, and selling food are putting their lives at risk. Their essential-ness can’t be denied—nor can the unfair and unjust labor practices and low wages that make them vulnerable.

Saru Jayaraman of One Fair Wage hopes that “when the [restaurant] industry reemerges it can actually take care of its people and allow both employers and workers to thrive.” That will mean better salaries—including a $15 minimum wage—and universal unemployment insurance.

Companies who depend on food and farm workers are also stepping up, while others are regressing and suppressing workers’ rights. Hazard pay, or “hero pay,” is being implemented by companies like Stonyfield Organic, Farmer’s Fridge, and Perdue Farms, yet companies like Trader Joe’s are actively thwarting the rights of workers to form unions—these actions will likely impact consumers’ decisions over the long run.

FOOD AS MEDICINE

According to the CDC, people with diet-related diseases—diabetes, obesity, hypertension—are at higher risk for severe COVID-19 infection.
Former U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman believes our diets can help flatten the curve of COVID-19. “What you eat has a lot to do with how healthy you are,” he says, and eating plenty of fruits and vegetables and getting enough zinc and Vitamin D can help ward off disease. We “need farm diversity,” he says, and farmers need flexibility to grow fruits and vegetables, rather than monoculture crops.

And school shutdowns, while necessary, mean that kids go hungry. According to the World Food Programme, 360 million kids around the globe have lost access to school meal programs. Mara Fleishman of the Chef Ann Foundation says, “we’re seeing how much kids rely on school food programs.” In response, the Austin Independent School District is preparing free school meals for students and their guardians via curbside or bus stop delivery—and they’ve produced a video to show other districts how to replicate their innovation safely and effectively.

VOTE WITH YOUR FORK—AND YOUR VOTE
COVID-19 shows how fragile our food and economic systems are—but we can reset. To fight the pandemic—and improve the food system—we need to reimagine how we grow and eat food, and how we mobilize for change.

Chef Dan Barber says we need to shine an uncomfortable light on local and regional food systems, which were built on shaking the hand of the farmer who grew your food. He suggests new models to help farmers add value to food in every possible sense—from soil health on up. A more complex value chain, Barber says, can mean adding more value, more nutrition, and more deliciousness to what we eat.

Many activists are also emphasizing the need for political leadership at all levels—from school boards to the federal government, we need policymakers who are pro-environment, pro-people, and pro-changing the system.

And Mackenzie Feldman of the youth-led Sunrise Movement is inspired by young activists who have not been thwarted by COVID-19—they continue organizing online for a Green New Deal. A Deal that protects and respects workers, recognizes the ecosystem services farmers provide, and ensures compensation for protecting biodiversity, building soil health, and mitigating climate change.

It’s clear from these experts and others that we can’t go back to normal. Normal left us extremely vulnerable, and this crisis has widened the cracks in a food system already in need of repair. But this is our time to pivot. Right now, we can develop long-lasting solutions to nourish both people and the planet.

Food Tank will continue to play our role in achieving these goals—until we have a food system that is sustainable and works for all. Thank you to our donors and members who make it possible for us to dedicate every waking hour to this critical fight during an incredibly important moment in history.

Please take care, and let’s keep these issues on the forefront as we continue to grow the good food movement.

All the best,

Danielle Nierenberg
President
Food Tank
COVID-19 AND THE FOOD SYSTEM
As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to unfold, Food Tank has provided critical coverage of its impacts on the food system, showcasing stories of hope and highlighting the food heroes on the front lines by pivoting to twice daily virtual live interviews with food system leaders and increasing our reporting capacity.

FOOD, TECHNOLOGY, AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
From a sold-out fireside chat in New York City themed “Good Tech in Good Food,” to one of our most-read pieces of the year, “Apps Preventing Food Waste,” Food Tank has remained committed to investigating how the intersection of food, AI, and technology can better serve both growers and eaters.

YOUTH IN AGRICULTURE
By inviting young food system leaders to the stage during our Summits and highlighting the young entrepreneurs, farmers, and activists revolutionizing food and farming through Food Tank’s year-round original content, we shine the spotlight on young people that are making an impact in food across the globe.

INDIGENOUS VOICES IN THE FOOD SYSTEM
In January 2020, Food Tank’s first-ever Summit on the wisdom of Indigenous foods was a successful and truly unprecedented event that showcased the need to bring Indigenous knowledge to the forefront of conversations on food system transformation, and we will continue to convene native voices through live events and content throughout the year.
AGROECOLOGY
The application of ecological principles to agricultural systems and practices, or agroecology, is a growing branch of science with enormous potential, and Food Tank continues to tell the stories of how agroecology is working on the ground across the globe through our articles, research, podcasts, live events and convenings, and interviews.

FOOD WASTE
After an enormously successful Food Tank NYC Summit devoted to the issue of food loss and food waste, we have been developing a new book themed around food waste—built for the general public but geared specifically towards food studies programs and being incorporated into university curriculum—to be released later in 2020.

TRUE COST ACCOUNTING
True cost accounting (TCA) acknowledges the social, human, and environmental impacts of our food system to reveal what food really costs—looking at all impacts from farm to fork to gut and landfill—and we highlight this important tool through original research and content throughout the year, as well as participating in events with other global food system leaders.

PARADOX OF HUNGER AND OBESITY
Food Tank’s live events, in addition to regular reporting, research, op-eds, and interviews, have put a focus on the paradox of hunger and obesity worldwide, from gathering policymakers on Capitol Hill to discuss the intersection of food and health to packing the San Francisco Jazz Center for an evening of talks about low-income access to safe, healthy, and affordable food.

WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE
Food Tank is run by women leaders and has made it a priority to highlight women working in agriculture throughout the year—with popular list articles on women leading the agtech sector, heroines revolutionizing food activism, African American women leading change, and more—as well as bring women in agriculture to the stage during all of our live events from New York City to Milan.
FAMILY FARMERS
Food Tank continues to shine a spotlight on the family farmers working on the ground every day to nourish their communities with healthy and sustainably produced food—by giving farmers the stage to tell their stories at our live events, profiling their work on FoodTank.com, interviewing them on our podcast, partnering with organizations like National Farmers Union to highlight solutions, and more.

BIODIVERSITY & INDIGENOUS CROPS
In fall 2019, Food Tank and The Crop Trust traveled throughout Appalachia to highlight and celebrate its unique food cultures and agricultural diversity as part of a multi-year, multi-country #CropsInColor campaign, which we plan to continue into 2020 to showcase the importance of biodiversity and Indigenous crops.

SUSTAINABLE DIETS
Food Tank continues to convene important conversations around how to build healthier and more sustainable diets, from an event in New York City titled “Eating for a Healthier and Sustainable Planet” to co-hosting a sold-out event in Milan, Italy, discussing ways to create sustainability in the food system, consumer habits around snacking, and if businesses can be kind to the planet while still producing delicious foods.

SUSTAINABLE PACKAGING
With about half of the packaging waste in the U.S. coming from food and beverage products, we continually bring leaders together to have conversations and bring awareness to the many ways companies can use more sustainable packaging—one our most-read pieces on FoodTank.com this past year was titled, “How Companies Are Rethinking Packaging.”

LOCAL FOOD MOVEMENT CAPACITY-BUILDING
With the support of the Facebook Community Leadership Program, Food Tank has focused heavily in the past year on building local good food movement chapters, aiming to build a replicable model for active, impactful, and meaningful discussions and convenings on how to spark food system change at the local level.
Food Tank begins twice virtual daily live interviews/podcasts and multiple original stories published daily around the impacts of COVID-19 on the food system.

As the COVID-19 pandemic unfolded, Danielle Nierenberg began daily interviews streamed live on Facebook, YouTube, LinkedIn, and Twitter, which are also edited for FoodTank.com and the Food Talk podcast.

Interviews have already included experts like Robert Martin, Raj Patel, David Katz, Kimbal Musk, Mark Hyman, Emily Broad Lieb, Katherine Miller, Jim Perdue, and Saru Jayaraman, and upcoming discussions are planned with Dan Glickman, Dan Barber, and many other farmers, chefs, workers’ rights advocates, business leaders, policymakers, and more. To accomplish this, we’ve brought on producer Rob Pera to diligently edit and ensure high-quality sound, visuals, and professional execution of the show. Each of these interviews receives, on average, a daily audience of more than 10,000 people across Apple Podcasts, Facebook Live, YouTube, FoodTank.com, and more.
We’ve also had our team of four fellows reporting daily on the impact of the crisis in the food system (as well as stories of hope and success in agriculture that continue to inspire us from around the globe), writing original research and content including firsthand interviews and storytelling. We have also published guest opinion-editorials from leaders like Olivier De Schutter (Former U.N. Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food), Máximo Torero (U.N. Food & Agriculture Organization), Chloe Waterman (Friends of the Earth), and many more.

**FEBRUARY 2020**

**Food Tank begins monthly events in Chicago.**

We launched a monthly Food Tank Live event series at the Hatchery in Chicago in partnership with Whole Foods Market, the City of Chicago, and the Chicago Council on Global Affairs. The first event drew a sold-out crowd of 200 attendees and hosted speakers like Walter Burnett, Jr., Alderman, Ward 27; Beth Eccles, Owner, Green Acres Farm; Jose Oliva, Campaigns Director, HEAL Food Alliance; Ashok Selvam, Senior Eater, Eater Chicago; and Grace Wong, Food Reporter, Chicago Tribune.

This is an extension of a similar series we held in 2019 with Facebook’s Community Leadership Program. All 12 events in D.C., New York City, and Boston completely sold out. The Capitol Hill event series was in partnership with The George Washington University and the U.S. Congressional Food is Medicine bipartisan working group. Each event sold out immediately and more than 100 U.S. Congressional offices participated. The NYC event series was in partnership with New York University. In Boston, we partnered with Tufts University and featured speakers like Frances Moore Lappé, Congressman Jim McGovern, Stephen Ritz, and dozens more.

The events also included delicious food and drinks. Many of the discussions were featured on FoodTank.com and aired on our “Food Talk with Dani Nierenberg” podcast.

Our Chicago event series will continue monthly at the Hatchery as soon as it is safe to do so as COVID-19 hopefully subsides by this coming fall. Themes will range from “Innovative Ways Chicago is Fighting Food Waste” to “Making School Lunch Healthy and Delicious,” and discussions will be moderated by journalists from the Chicago Tribune, Eater, the Wall Street Journal, and many more.

**JANUARY 2020**

**1st Annual Food Tank Arizona Summit.**

On January 22, Food Tank partnered with Arizona State University and Kathleen Merrigan, Executive Director of the Swette Center for Sustainable Food Systems, on a Food Tank Summit also in partnership with the University of Hawaii that focused on “the wisdom of Indigenous food systems.” More than a dozen tribes participated on stage in an incredibly successful and truly unprecedented event.

We hosted a sold-out audience with more than 400 attendees and another 5,000 joining via livestream. All panels were moderated by top food and agriculture journalists at the Arizona Republic and featured speakers including luminaries Mariah Gladstone, Founder of Indigikitchen; Chef Sean Sherman (Oglala Lakota), CEO/Founder of The Sioux Chef; and more than a dozen more.

**Food Tank executes programming at the Sundance Film Festival.**

Food Tank partnered with ChefDance and New York Times food writer Amelia Nierenberg on a dinner and speaker series at the 2020 Sundance Film Festival, featuring events and discussions with luminaries like David Moscow, Martha Stewart, Sophia Bush, Olivia Wilde, Kroger CEO Rodney McMullen, and many more.
On opening day, Alice Waters convened the lunch and dinner. All Food Tank events at ChefDance were completely packed with long lines to get in. Several discussions were released on Food Tank’s podcast, “Food Talk with Dani Nierenberg.”

**NOVEMBER 2019**

**Food Tank NYC Summit in partnership with New York University.**

The 3rd Annual Food Tank Summit and Gala in partnership with Great Performances, NYU-Steinhardt, the Hunter College NYC Food Policy Center, and Compass/Chartwells was an incredible success. We hosted more than 900 attendees over two days of speakers, networking, performances, workshops, and our unforgettable Gala. The event was themed “The Food Movement is Growing (and Winning!),” and we had more than 80 speakers including luminaries like Mark Bittman, Mark Hyman, U.S. Congressman Espaillat, Haile Thomas, Kimbal Musk, Ron Ben-Israel, Sam Kass, and Karen Washington, as well as executives from Google, General Mills, PepsiCo, Sealed Air, Nature’s Path, Mondelēz, Stonyfield, Danone, Apeel Sciences, Farmer’s Fridge, Blue Apron, and more. Discussions were moderated by top food journalists from Vogue, Esquire, TIME, The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, and many more.

The Food Tank Summit Gala served seven courses curated by Great Performances and featuring all-female restaurateurs from each of NYC’s five boroughs, along with “surprise courses” from Tom Colicchio and Dan Barber. The dinner also featured performances from Ashley Brown (Broadway star, originating the title role in Mary Poppins on Broadway), Chloe Campbell (Broadway star, King Kong/Tuck/Hamilton), Rocky Dawuni (Grammy-nominated afro roots music star and humanitarian activist), and more. The event and gala completely sold out nearly two months in advance.

**First Food Tank Live Boston.**

More than 350 attendees participated in a standing room only event in downtown Boston, held in partnership with the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University.

The theme was “Transparency, Equity, Affordability, and Social Justice in the Food System.” Speakers included Dariush Mozaffarian (Tufts), Frances Moore Lappé (Small Planet Institute), Wenonah Hauter (Food & Water Watch), Katherine Walla (Food Tank), Amelia Nierenberg (New York Times), Sarah Blackburn (Edible Boston), and Sara Bleich (Harvard Chan School of Public Health). Each of the talks was aired as part of a Facebook Live series and released on our podcast, “Food Talk with Dani Nierenberg.”

**OCTOBER 2019**

**Global Food Journalist Reporting Network.**

Food Tank expanded our reporting to include more on-the-ground coverage and build our global network of freelancers. We continue to publish daily original research and articles on FoodTank.com and share across Food Tank’s newsletters, podcasts, and social media accounts.

Using this network of freelancers as well as Food Tank readers’ suggested projects, we are unearthing innovations from around the world with a goal of featuring stories and food innovation in all 197 countries and in all 50 U.S. states by the end of 2021.

**SEPTEMBER 2019**

**Food Tank forum on Capitol Hill for policymakers.**

Our Capitol Hill luncheon hosted more than 250 attendees from six dozen U.S. Congressional Offices, including 35-percent Republican
representation. The event theme focused on: how will a secure food future help maintain international stability and prosperity?

Speakers and moderators included Dan Glickman, Former U.S. Secretary of Agriculture; Beth Dunford, USAID Bureau for Resilience and Food Security; Chellie Pingree, Congresswoman from Maine; M. Ann Tutwiler, Chair of Bioversity International USA; Molly Jahn, the University of Madison-Wisconsin Dept. of Agronomy; Kimberly Flowers, CSIS Director, Humanitarian Agenda & Global Food Security Project; Josh Protas, MAZON, Vice President of Public Policy; Vimlendra Sharan, Director, U.N. Food & Agriculture Organization Liaison Office for North America; and Janina Jaruzelski, National War College.

AUGUST 2019
Food Tank New York City.
In partnership with New York University, Food Tank sold out the Steinhardt School for an event themed “Healthy Food at Every Age.”

Speakers included Beth Shapiro, Executive Director of Citymeals on Wheels; Meserete Davis, Culinary Education Training Developer at the NYC Department of Education; Daniela Galarza, Senior Editor at Eater; Dan Giusti, Founder and CEO at Brigaid; Stephen Ritz, Founder of Green Bronx Machine; Andrea Strong, Food Journalist; and Manny Howard, Salon.com.

JULY 2019
Food Tank New York City.
In partnership with New York University, the Hunter College NYC Food Policy Center, and Salon.com, Food Tank sold out the Steinhardt School for an event themed “Eating for a Healthier and Sustainable Planet.”

Speakers included Lisa Held, The Farm Report; Manny Howard, Salon.com; Martin Lemos, Co-Executive Director, National Young Farmers Coalition; Chris McGrath, Vice President and Chief of Global Impact, Sustainability, and Well-being, Mondelez; Alex Sammon, The New Republic; Shino Tanikawa, Executive Director, NYC Soil & Water Conservation District; Beth Weitzman, Professor of Health and Public Policy, New York University’s Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development; Walter Willett, EAT-Lancet primary author, Harvard University; and many more.

JULY 2019
Food Tank on Capitol Hill.
More than 250 attended a Food Tank luncheon for policymakers and their staff entitled “The Intersection of Food, AI, and Technology.”
It was a discussion about the future of technology in the food system. Speakers included Allison Aubrey, National Public Radio; Nony Dutton, FRESHFARM; Victor Friedberg, FoodShot; Andrew Kim, Google; Riana Lynn, FoodTrace; Congresswoman Chellie Pingree; and Marc Zornes, Winnow Solutions.

JUNE 2019
Food Tank Los Angeles.
More than 350 packed the Dynasty Typewriter in downtown Los Angeles as Mother Jones and Food Tank organized an extraordinary evening of conversation about access, affordability, and equity in the food system.

Speakers included Gustavo Arellano, Los Angeles Times; Rocky Dawuni, musician and activist; Fran Drescher, actress and activist; Ron
Finley, urban farmer and activist; Mona Holmes, Eater Los Angeles; Maddie Oatman, Mother Jones; Chris Sayer, farmer, Petty Ranch; Michele Stueven, LA Weekly; and more.

**Food Tank New York City.**
In partnership with New York University, the Hunter College NYC Food Policy Center, and Salon.com, Food Tank sold out the Steinhardt School for an event themed “Good Tech in Good Food.”

Speakers included Roe Adler, SVP, Global Head of WeWork Labs, WeWork; Emma Cosgrove, Supply Chain Dive; Alexander Gillett, CEO, HowGood; Jennifer Goggin, Co-Founder, Startle Innovation; Manny Howard, Salon.com; Bertha Jimenez, CEO, RISE Products; and Jenna Liut, Heritage Radio Network.

**MAY 2019**

**Food Tank San Francisco.**
More than 650 packed the San Francisco Jazz Center for an incredible evening of talks themed around low-income access to safe, healthy, and affordable food.

Speakers included Tanya Holland, Brown Sugar Kitchen; Leigh Gaymon-Jones, Castanea Fellowship; Justin Phillips, San Francisco Chronicle; Tom Philpott, Mother Jones; Alice Waters, The Edible Schoolyard Project; Paul Willis, Niman Ranch Pork Company; and more.

**Food Tank New York City.**
In partnership with New York University, the Hunter College NYC Food Policy Center, and Salon.com, Food Tank sold out the Steinhardt School for an event themed “Equity in the Food System.”

Speakers included Joel Berg, CEO, Hunger Free America; Manny Howard, Salon.com; Qiana Mickie, Executive Director, Just Food; Krishnendu Ray, NYU Steinhardt; Raymond Figueroa, Jr., President, New York City Community Garden Coalition; Chloe Sorvino, Forbes; Noreen Springstead, Executive Director, WhyHunger; and Ellen J. Wulfhorst, Reuters.

**APRIL 2019**

**Food Tank on Capitol Hill.**
More than 250 attended our Capitol Hill luncheon, “The Intersection of Food and Health.” It was a discussion about breaking down the silos between the health and agriculture communities. How can those communities work together to support practices that benefit public health, the health of rural communities, and farmers?

Speakers included Gregory Cooper, DC Central Kitchen; Dr. Robert Graham, FreshMed; Congressman Jim McGovern; Congresswoman Chellie Pingree; Frank Sesno, The George Washington University/Planet Forward; Geeta Sethi, World Bank; Kathleen Merrigan, Arizona State University; and Norbert Wilson, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University.

**Food Tank at Seeds & Chips.**
Food Tank co-hosted a sold-out event with more than 200 attendees in Milan, Italy, featuring Danielle Gould, Founder and CEO of Food+Tech Connect; Pashon Murray, Founder of Detroit Dirt; and Brigette Wolf, Global Head of SnackFutures Innovation. The event discussed ways to create sustainability in the food system, consumer habits around snacking, and if businesses can be kind to the planet while still producing delicious foods.
Additionally, in 2019–2020 Food Tank convened events, organized panels, led discussions, or spoke at events that included:

- SXSW
- Google Food Labs
- ExpoWest
- The Eat Forum
- The Barilla Center for Food & Nutrition Forum
- Edible Institute 2020
- Rethinking Animals Summit
- New York Times Food Festival
- NYC Mayor’s Office of Food Policy Roundtable
- Slow Food Nations
- New York Times Talks – Food (Rachael Ray Event)
- Nourish
- Food Forever
- And dozens more

Food Tank published more than 500 original articles (a minimum of every day, seven days a week) from March 2019 to March 2020 with authors from more than 50 countries. Several articles generated more than 10,000 shares across social media, and we had more than 1.8 million unique visitors to FoodTank.com.

Ten of our most trafficked articles this year included:

- How Schools Can Teach Kids to Value Food
- Organizations Helping Restaurants, Workers, and Farmers Survive COVID-19
- Food Tank’s Annual Sustainable Fisheries List
- How Companies Are Rethinking Packaging
- These Young Entrepreneurs Are Revolutionizing Food and Farming
- Meat’s Large Water Footprint: Why Raising Livestock and Poultry for Meat is So Resource-Intensive
- Apps Preventing Food Waste
- 28 Inspiring Urban Agriculture Projects
- Cows Fed Seaweed Contribute Less Methane Emissions to Atmosphere
- The Good Food Org Guide
We produced 125 unique “Food Talk” podcast episodes hosted by Danielle Nierenberg and guests including food and agriculture leaders such as Pashon Murray, Leah Penniman, Haile Thomas, Questlove, Sam Kass, Mark Bittman, Raj Patel, Lisa Bronner, Jacob Pechenik, Jim Perdue, Denisa Livingston, Kathleen Merrigan, David Moscow, and dozens more including leading executives at Tyson Foods, WeWork, Land O’Lakes, Dry Farm Wines, DowDuPont, Google, HelloFresh, General Mills, and more.

This is just a snapshot of Food Tank’s impact and work in 2019–2020 made possible by Food Tank grassroots members and generous support from:

- Apeel Sciences
- Arizona State University
- Blue Apron
- Certified Origins
- Clover Sonoma
- Driscoll’s
- Edelman
- EIT Food
- Facebook’s Community Leadership Program
- Farmer’s Fridge
- Fleishman Hillard
- Florida Blue Foundation
- General Mills
- Google Food Lab
- New Ventures
- Niman Ranch
- Organic Trade Association
- Overbrook Foundation
- Pew Charitable Trust
- Rosie’s Kids Foundation
- Santa Barbara Foundation
- SnackFutures
- The Rockefeller Foundation
- The University of Rhode Island Foundation
- Valrhona
- Whole Foods Market Foundation
- Winnow

This past year, we raised $75,000 in individual donations from Food Tank members that are now either monthly or annual recurring members. Due to COVID-19, a lot of members have canceled because of their own personal financial hardships, reflecting roughly 20 percent overall membership loss since the crisis began.
SNAPSHOT OF MAJOR PLANS FOR 2020-2021

Looking ahead to 2020–2021. Here are some of our plans, which are somewhat dependent on the long-term impacts of COVID-19 and more.

- Multiple daily interviews live with experts.
  Food Tank Live is hosting twice-daily live interviews simulcasted on YouTube Live, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Facebook Live, then featured on our podcast “Food Talk with Dani Nierenberg” and on FoodTank.com. Our daily audience is growing now with more than 7,500 viewers on average for each interview.

- An advisory group of Corporate Sustainability Officers.
  We are building a network of Directors of Sustainability or Impact and Chief Sustainability Officers from small, medium, and large companies to be part of an advisory group convened by Food Tank. The group will conduct trainings and meet regularly (we are hoping the first convening will be in September at Expo East) to share best practices, success stories in marshaling resources towards sustainability from their companies, and more.
Monthly Food Tank Live events in Minneapolis.

We are launching a bi-monthly Food Tank Live event series at the Minneapolis Public Library Auditorium (more than 250 attendees) in partnership with Whole Foods Market, the City of Minneapolis, and the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy.

Themes will range from “Creating Better Access and Affordability,” to “Healthy Food in Minneapolis,” to “Innovating with Urban Agriculture in Minnesota.” The inaugural event is planned for September 2020.

On-the-ground reporting tour of Appalachia (#CropsInColor).

Food Tank has joined The Crop Trust as a partner for #CropsInColor, a multi-year, multi-country campaign to shed light on the complexities, triumphs, and surprises of crop diversity in action and highlight the role that 10 food crops play in countries around the world.

In fall 2019, we joined on the ground for #CropsInColor Appalachia, which focused on six Appalachian essentials—apples, beans, corn, tomatoes, squash, and chili peppers. We visited with farmers, chefs, producers, and seed savers to explore the role of crop diversity in Appalachia’s foodways and the importance of safeguarding heritage and heirloom seed varieties for future generations.

In 2020, Food Tank will be joining The Crop Trust for a second tour of Appalachia to further investigate and tell the stories of those preserving the unique agricultural biodiversity and food cultures of the region.

Food Tank conference with Hunter College, “Food Is Medicine.”

Food Tank is leading an upcoming Food Tank Summit series in New York City in partnership with Hunter College. The event will be themed around “Food is Medicine” in October 2020.

We will have more than 40 speakers (many more to be announced) moderated by top food and agriculture journalists from the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, Vox, and National Public Radio. Confirmed speakers include Mark Hyman (Best-Selling Author), Dan Glickman (Executive Director of the Aspen Institute Congressional Program), Dariush Mozaffarian (Dean at the Tufts Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy), Anand Parekh (MD, Chief Medical Advisor at the Bipartisan Policy Center), Robert Greenwald (JD, Clinical Professor of Law at Harvard Law School), Karen Pearl (President & CEO of God’s Love We Deliver), Eric Adams (Brooklyn Borough President), David Katz (MD, MPH, Founding Director of the Yale University Yale-Griffin Prevention Research Center), Robert Graham (MD and Co-Founder of Fresh Med NYC), and many more.

Virtual Food Tank convenings and summits.

Food Tank is planning virtual events and convenings. This will include 90-minute Food Tank Live events moderated by top food and agriculture journalists, full day-long virtual Food Tank Summits, online panel discussions, special events, and much more.

We are already exploring themes that range from “food workers impacted by COVID-19” to a series of fireside chats on food loss and food waste, an agroecology event, a forum on the integration of food, AI, and technology, and so much more. We are also using this as an opportunity to virtually recreate events and discussions that have been canceled due to the COVID-19 crisis, including those planned at Expo West, SXSW, Food Tank Live forums, our planned Summit, and more.
Food Tank’s new interactive off-Broadway musical Garjana.

Food Tank is launching an off-Broadway interactive musical, “Garjana,” in partnership with Tony award-winning theater company La MaMa at their Ellen Stewart Theatre in New York City. The Emmy, Tony, Oscar, and Grammy award-winning creative and artistic team includes David Peterson (HBO’s “Game of Thrones”) developing a fully functioning language, Rocky Dawuni (Grammy-nominated Ghanaian music star and U.N. celebrity ambassador) creating all-original music, and Robert Smith (Grammy, Oscar, and Emmy award-winning music producer). Garjana is being directed by Whitney Mosery (Cirque du Soleil, Harry Potter on Broadway). Food Tank has built a network of hundreds of partners including four United Nations agencies, Broadway Cares, Slow Food USA, and many, many, more.

Garjana is the first-ever fully interactive off-Broadway theatrical experience led by a young, diverse cast of Broadway performers and international talent. The show is an emotional rollercoaster injected with goofy humor while containing powerful warnings about climate change and food insecurity and creating post-show activations. Early workshops received joyous receptions from audiences at sold-out events across New York City, attracting thousands of participants and rave reviews. Playbill Magazine said it was “about to be New York City’s hottest trend.” A celebrity guest will lead a talk-back discussion after each performance.

We are also pioneering a new program to bring thousands of new people into the good food movement and activate them post-performance. With just the initial run, we will onboard and activate 10,000 new volunteers from the show to join more than 250 food and environmental nonprofits in all five boroughs, coordinated with the Hunter College NYC Food Policy Center.
A D.C. Summit co-hosted with the Organic Trade Association.
In an unprecedented partnership, the Organic Trade Association and Food Tank will present the “Future of Organic” summit in May 2021 in Washington, D.C. The event will feature more than 400 curated attendees and more than 40 speakers and moderators.

Past speakers at Food Tank D.C. Summits have included hundreds of food luminaries such as Rep. Mike Conaway (R-TX), Rep. Jimmy Panetta (D-CA), Dan Glickman, José Andrés, Raj Patel, Saru Jayaraman, Ken Cook, Ruth Reichl, and more, moderated by The Washington Post, Vox, VICE, NPR, and many more.

Monthly Food Tank Live events.
This fall, Food Tank will be bringing our monthly live event series to San Francisco in partnership with Patagonia, as well as continuing our monthly live event series at the Hatchery in Chicago in partnership with Whole Foods Market.

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Food Talk Live podcast expansion to in-depth audio reporting for miniseries.
We will develop multi-part miniseries experiences (reporting format rather than just interview format) with themes around agrobiodiversity, food justice, food is medicine, the future of organic, and more. These miniseries will serve to expand Food Tank's audio presence and provide deeper-dive reporting on critical issues in this underutilized format.

We believe that this miniseries will have an immediate audience. It will also allow us to diversify Food Tank’s reporting to audio format so that the audience can hear voices from the farmers, food workers, and food businesses themselves with compelling narrative and storytelling.

“Refresh,” a joint collaboration with Google and Microsoft.
In 2020, Food Tank and the Refresh Working Group, in partnership with Google experts, will convene stakeholders all along the food chain—from farmers and nutritionists to inventors and big business. By bringing these experts together, we hope to ensure that technology in the food system is equitable and that decisions around innovations are participatory. We also hope to encourage the development of technologies that solve the most pressing challenges farmers and eaters face.

We believe that technology has the power to drive change throughout the food system, from fork to landfill. On farms, artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning can increase certainty for farmers in predicting hurdles such as weather, pests, and commodity price fluctuations. For consumers, AI-powered platforms and apps are making it easier to improve overall health, tracking diet-related diseases as they occur and detecting risk early. Technology is also helping grocery stores limit their contributions to the 30 to 40 percent of food that goes to waste nationwide.

Food Tank Summit in Buffalo, New York.
Funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and in partnership with the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus, Food Tank will convene a Summit that brings together a multitude of players on how and what we eat.
**Food Tank book release: No Waste: Saving Food, from Farm to Table.**

In collaboration with Island Press, we are releasing a new book themed around food waste. It will be built for the general public but geared specifically towards food studies programs and being incorporated into university curriculum. This will be the first of an annual “State of the Food System” book series published with Island Press.

Bringing together the biggest thinkers in food, Food Tank is curating the book in short chapters based on the theme of food waste. Danielle will also visit classes as guest lecturer through live video, and Food Tank will survey professors to develop topics and themes.

**Food Tank Summit in New York City around Women’s History Month.**

In Spring 2021, in partnership with New York University and Hunter College and as part of Women’s History Month, Food Tank will be hosting our 4th Annual NYC Summit featuring 40 all-female speakers who are building a more sustainable food system from across all sectors. All panels will be live-streamed, covered on FoodTank.com, shared in our newsletter (250,000 opt-in subscribers) and on our social media accounts, and featured on the “Food Talk with Dani Nierenberg” podcast.

Most recently, Food Tank’s 3rd Annual NYC Summit and Gala in 2019 was an incredible success, with more than 80 speakers and 900 attendees for two days of conversations, networking, and working sessions in partnership with NYU and the Hunter College NYC Food Policy Center. Speakers included Mark Bittman, Mark Hyman, Kimbal Musk, Alice Waters, Marion Nestle, Ron Ben-Israel, Sam Kass, and many more for discussions moderated by top journalists from Vogue, Esquire, TIME, The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, and The Washington Post.
Food Tank’s social media strategy is perpetually driven by the question of how to make our food system better. By sharing articles, images, videos, stories, and more, Food Tank is able to create an ongoing dialogue around the world, seeking to answer the food system’s toughest questions. We now have more than 1,000,000 followers with incredible organic growth.

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

- More than 17 active Food Tank member discussion groups across 6 countries, with thousands joining the global group and South Africa group
- Monthly reach: 2,741,000
- Monthly post engagement: 260,000
- Monthly video views: 605,600
- 250,000 people combined tuned in live for Food Tank Summits
- Additional 49,000 followers on Danielle Nierenberg’s page
- Both accounts are verified by Facebook

- 324K followers
- 209,000 followers on Food Tank’s Twitter page
- Generating 650,000+ impressions per month
- Additional 243,000 followers on Danielle Nierenberg’s Twitter page
- Danielle’s tweets generate an average of 420,000+ impressions per month
- Both accounts are verified by Twitter

- 1.4M impressions*
- More than 48,000 organic followers
- 200% growth in the last year
- Average post generates 1,000+ engagements
- Account is verified by Instagram

- 40% growth
- More than 50,000 combined followers across Danielle Nierenberg’s network and Food Tank’s page
- 25% increase in post engagement over the past year

- 50K followers*
- Charting #3 Nonprofit Podcast
- Biweekly podcast “Food Talk with Dani Nierenberg” ranked #3 on the iTunes charts for nonprofits and has generated more than 100 five-star reviews
- More than 105,000 cross-platform episode downloads to date

Food Tank’s YouTube channel has thousands of subscribers and is the hub for all Summit content and webinars. Every panelist that presents at a Summit or in a webinar can find their talk stored on YouTube. Each of our panels are watched hundreds of times after the event is over, signifying a continued interest from the global community in Food Tank’s work.

* combined impressions
WILLIAM BURKE
Agricultural Economist and Consultant for Michigan State University and Africa RISING
Burke is an agricultural economist and consultant for Michigan State University and Africa RISING, currently splitting time between Malawi and East Lansing. He has also lived and worked in The Gambia and Zambia. He and his colleagues are the recipients of the 2017 Bruce Gardner Memorial Prize for Applied Policy Analysis awarded by the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association.

PEDRO DINIZ
Owner, Fazenda da Toca
Pedro Paulo Diniz is a Brazilian businessman and former racing driver. He currently operates a 2,300 hectare organic produce and dairy farm, Fazenda da Toca, alongside his wife Tatiana Diniz. The large-scale family-owned organic farm in Brazil’s São Paulo state is changing the future of ecological agriculture. Diniz has transformed his family’s land into one of Brazil’s leading producers of organic eggs, dairy, and fruit while honoring his environmental conscience. Moreover, Fazenda de Toca works to revolutionize agriculture in Brazil and around the world by educating others in sustainable cultivation at its on-farm learning center, Instituto Toca.

BRIAN HALWEIL
Editor, Edible East End and Co-Publisher, Edible Brooklyn and Edible Manhattan
Brian Halweil is the editor of Edible East End and co-publisher of Edible Brooklyn and Edible Manhattan magazines, devoted to chronicling the food communities in and around New York City. He is also a senior fellow at the Worldwatch Institute, where his work has focused on organic farming, biotechnology, hunger, and rural communities. He describes the evolving local food movement in his most recent book Eat Here: Reclaiming Homegrown Pleasures in a Global Supermarket. Brian has traveled and lived in Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean, and East Africa learning indigenous farming techniques and promoting sustainable food production. In college, he worked with California farmers interested in reducing their pesticide use, and set up a 2-acre student-run organic farm on the campus of Stanford University. He writes from Sag Harbor, NY, where he and his family keep a home garden and orchard, and raise oysters.
NABEEHA MUJEEB KAZI-HUTCHINS
Board Treasurer // President and CEO, Humanitas Global
Nabeeha Mujeeb Kazi-Hutchins serves as Treasurer of the Food Tank Board. She is President and CEO of Humanitas Global, an international development agency based in Washington, D.C. She has deep roots in food and nutrition security, agricultural development, and environmental sustainability and has led high-profile public-private initiatives around the globe. Born in Pakistan, Nabeeha was raised in Mexico and is fluent in four languages. Nabeeha has traveled to more than 30 countries and worked in five.

KERRI MCCLIMEN
Vice President of Communications at Perdue Farms
Kerri McClimen has more than 25 years of consumer communication, event, strategy and brand management experience. Prior to joining PPMC, McClimen led communications for Niman Ranch after spending more than six years as a consultant to The Pew Charitable Trusts (Pew). Her work focused on advocating for meat and poultry raised without antibiotics as part of the Campaign on Human Health and Industrial Farming and the Antibiotic Resistance Project. McClimen received a Master of Science in Communication from Northwestern University and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of Iowa. She lives in Chicago.

BERNARD POLLACK
Chairman of the Board
Bernard Pollack is co-founder and serves as Food Tank’s Chairman of the Board along with directing Food Tank’s communications. He is also the creator of Food Tank’s groundbreaking fully immersive new musical “Garjana,” which has won high critical acclaim to sold-out audiences. Prior to starting Food Tank, he served as an expert at non-profit, environmental advocacy, and union campaigning and communications. He spent more than ten years organizing state and national campaigns for the National AFL-CIO that resulted in the election of dozens of major pro-worker candidates and laws in California, Kentucky, Minnesota, Oregon, and Pennsylvania. He has developed communication programs for labor organizing all over the United States and has worked extensively with media reporting on workers’ issues. He also served as communications director at the Worldwatch Institute. He holds an M.A. in political management from The George Washington University School of Political Management and a B.A. from the Elliot School of International Affairs at The George Washington University.

DANIELLE NIERENBERG
President, Food Tank: The Think Tank for Food
Danielle Nierenberg is President of Food Tank and an expert on sustainable agriculture and food issues. She has written extensively on gender and population, the spread of factory farming in the developing world and innovations in sustainable agriculture. Danielle co-founded Food Tank in 2013 as an organization focused on building a global community for safe, healthy, nourished eaters. Danielle has also recruited more than 40 of the world’s top leaders in food and agriculture policies and advocacy work as part of Food Tank’s Advisory Board. The organization highlights hope, success, and innovative ideas in our food system through research articles and interviews and hosts Summits in major cities including Washington, D.C., New York City, Chicago, Boston, San Diego, Seattle, and more. These events feature incredible speakers in interactive panels moderated by top food journalists, focusing on topics like food and nutrition, the future of farming, and food policy. She has more than 1,2 million social media followers, publishes original content daily at FoodTank.com, and her twice-weekly podcast “Food Talk with Dani Nierenberg” is currently charting on iTunes. She has appeared on CBS This Morning, MSNBC, Fox News, National Public Radio, and CNN and included in more than 10,000 new clips worldwide including guest editorials in the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, USA Today, and more.
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FOOD TANK IS PROUD TO PARTNER WITH THESE ORGANIZATIONS

A Growing Culture (AGC) aims to create a global coalition connecting farmers with the resources they need to contribute to an ecologically sound food system and prosperous planet. The mission is carried out through the three pillars of the organization: information exchange, outreach and advocacy. AGC is home to the Library for Food Sovereignty, a developing online platform that brings together the riches of agricultural innovation into one central platform and makes them freely available to the world.

American University is regarded as one of the top institutions in the world. A private university located in Washington D.C., it is best known for its top-rated academic programs in international service, public policy and public affairs, international law and human rights. It has been repeatedly named the most politically active school in the United States, and continually produces leaders that possess the ability to rethink global and domestic challenges and opportunities.

AVRDC–The World Vegetable Center works with both private and public sector partners to strike an effective balance between necessary research for new technologies and the development to employ those technologies effectively.

Barilla Center for Food and Nutrition (BCFN) feels that it is their duty to get involved in the debate around food and nutrition, because there are nearly one billion people suffering worldwide from hunger, and almost the exact same number suffering from obesity. BCFN offers concrete and feasible recommendations in response to the challenges that this dichotomy creates. Its approach is multi-disciplinary in order to most effectively increase awareness and knowledge of issues in the food system while simultaneously helping to provide answers and solutions. BCFN's goal is to foster an open dialogue about the well-being of the world's population and to remain committed to promoting change.

The Berry Good Food Foundation is a non-profit grassroots organization that aims to tackle the barriers—educational, economic, systemic, infrastructural—standing between people in the San Diego region and local, sustainably produced food. The Foundation believes that a strong local and sustainable food community is good for San Diego and San Diegans. The Foundation educates, connects and supports food producers and consumers through a variety of programs and events, from cheesemaking classes to expert panel discussions to farm dinners.
Bioneers

Bioneers is a non-profit organization that highlights breakthrough solutions for restoring people and planet. Since 1990, Bioneers has served as a fertile hub of social and scientific innovators with nature-inspired approaches to the world’s most pressing environmental and social challenges.

CARE International

CARE is a leading humanitarian organization fighting global poverty. They place special focus on working alongside poor women because, equipped with the proper resources, women have the power to help whole families and entire communities escape poverty. Women are at the heart of CARE’s community-based efforts to improve basic education, prevent the spread of disease, increase access to clean water and sanitation, expand economic opportunity, and protect natural resources. CARE also delivers emergency aid to survivors of war and natural disasters and helps people rebuild their lives.

Center for Food Safety

Center for Food Safety (CFS) was established in 1997. It is a nonprofit public interest and environmental membership organization whose purpose is to challenge harmful food production technologies and promote sustainable alternatives. CFS uses a variety of strategies and tools to support its goals, including the provision of legal support for sustainable agriculture and food safety constituencies, public education efforts, grassroots organization and media outreach, and litigation and legal petitions for rulemaking. CFS also provides technical assistance to various legislative initiatives championed by other nonprofits throughout the United States.

Center for International Forestry Research

The Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR) addresses the problem of deforestation, which impacts the livelihood of a quarter of the people on the planet and endangers biodiversity. The mission of CIFOR is environmental conservation, to advance human well-being, and to promote equity through research that aids businesses, governments, and non-governmental organizations, in addition to helping communities in less developed countries make educated choices about the use and management of their forests. CIFOR hopes to create a world in which forests are high on the world’s political agenda, and the decisionmaking regarding forests is based on good governance and solid science while taking the needs of forest-dependent people into consideration. CIFOR leads the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research’s (CGIAR) Research Program on Forests, Trees and Agroforestry in collaboration with Bioversity International, the International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT), and the World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF).

Christensen Fund

The Christensen Fund partners with indigenous communities, scholars, artists, and activists to support projects in the U.S. and abroad that promote the biocultural intersection between biodiversity and traditional cultures. In the American Southwest, the Fund awards grants to increase the availability, abundance, and diversity of nutritious, culturally-appropriate foods, seeds, fibers, livestock, and medicines; to strengthen indigenous philanthropy; and to promote native leadership.

CORAF/WECARD

As Africa’s largest sub-regional research organization, CORAF works with 23 national agricultural research systems in 23 West and Central Africa countries to enhance prosperity and ensure food security. Their research agenda includes food and farming systems, natural resource management, markets and trade, and biotechnology; their focus group includes small-
scale producers and end-users. CORAF is a member of the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa.

**Community for Zero Hunger**
www.zerohungercommunity.org

The Community for Zero Hunger is an independent initiative that will identify specific priorities, knowledge, experiences, and sustainable solutions, and also provide a platform for collaboration to support the UN Zero Hunger Challenge. The goals of the Hunger Challenge include 100 percent access to adequate food all year round, zero stunted children less than two years of age, sustainable food systems, a doubling in smallholder productivity and income, and zero food loss or waste. The organization brings together world leaders and draws on the expertise of governments, research organizations, and NGOs in order to identify specific solutions to eradicate hunger.

**Crop Trust**
www.croptrust.org

The Crop Trust was established by Bioversity International on behalf of the CGIAR and the UN Food and Agriculture Organization to provide long-term grants to safeguard collections of unique and valuable crop diversity held in genebanks around the world. Their mission is to conserve crop diversity as a way of ensuring food security, adapting to climate change, reducing environmental degradation, protecting nutritional security, reducing poverty, and ensuring sustainable agriculture. Priority is given to crops of particular importance to the food security of least developed countries.

**EAT Foundation**
eatforum.org

EAT Foundation is an international non-profit organization that works to transform the global food system from a climate, health and sustainability perspective. Our vision is a future where healthy and sustainable food is affordable, accessible and attractive to all. EAT connects leaders and innovators across disciplines – from academia to politics, business, civil society and the culinary arts – to close knowledge gaps, translate research results into plans of action, scale up solutions, raise awareness and create engagement. EAT has a track record of hosting impactful events, including the annual EAT Stockholm Food Forum and events at the UN General Assembly.

**Ecotrust**
ecotrust.org

Ecotrust is powered by the vision of a world where people and nature thrive together. Since 1991, Ecotrust has partnered with local communities from California to Alaska to build new ways of living and doing business. From forestry to finance, food access to green building, the organization works to advance social equity, economic opportunity, and environmental well-being.

**Environmental Working Group**
www.ewg.org

The Environmental Work Group (EWG) aims to empower people to live healthier lives in a healthier environment. EWG’s team of scientists, policy experts, lawyers, communication experts and programmers work tirelessly to ensure someone is standing up for public health when government and industry won’t. Through reports, online databases, mobile apps and communications campaigns, EWG is educating and empowering consumers to make safer and more informed decisions about the products they buy and the companies they support.

**Facebook Community Leadership Program (FCLP)**
communities.fb.com

The Facebook Community Leadership Program (FCLP) was created to provide community leaders with the leadership skills, technological know how, and tools to build diverse communities that bring people closer together, despite their differences.
Fairtrade America

Fairtrade is committed to changing the way trade has traditionally worked, which has disadvantaged the poorest producers. Through better prices, good working conditions and fairer trade terms for marginalized producers in developing countries, we continuously work to change the status quo and make trade fair. So, what is Fairtrade? Overall, we are a global system that supports the small-scale farmers and workers who grow produce Fairtrade products so that they can have more control over their lives.

Family Farming Knowledge Platform

The Family Farming Knowledge Platform gathers digitized quality information on family farming from all over the world; including national laws and regulations, public policies, best practices, relevant data and statistics, researches, articles and publications. It provides a single access point for international, regional and national information related to family farming issues; integrating and systematizing existing information to better inform and provide knowledge-based assistance to policy-makers, family farmers’ organizations, development experts, as well as to stakeholders in the field and at the grassroots level.

Food Forever

The goal of the Food Forever Initiative is to rally the support necessary from all stakeholders—be it politicians, farmers, chefs, businesses, or individuals—to drive a positive change in the way we conserve, grow, sell, and consume crop and livestock diversity. They work to implement Target 2.5 of the Sustainable Development Goals, a commitment to protect what remains of diversity within our food system. The Global Crop Diversity Trust (Crop Trust) and the Netherlands Government provide the Initiative’s secretariat functions.

Food Innovation Program

Food Innovation Program is a full-time, advanced Master that guarantees a distinguished caliber of professors, opinion leaders and entrepreneurs from all over the world who are at the forefront of food innovation.

Food Policy Action

Food Policy Action works for better national policies that make our food system more balanced and provide healthy, affordable food for all. Healthy food should not be a luxury; a tomato should not cost more than a package of cookies. Food Policy Action works to works to promote a healthy, sustainable food system by promoting positive policies, public education, issue advocacy, and holding legislators accountable for their votes on food and farm policy.

Food Recovery Network

The Food Rescue Locator is a directory of organizations around that United States that rescue, glean, transport, prepare, and distribute food to the needy in their communities. These food rescue programs play an important role in feeding the hungry and the reduction of food waste. This locator tool is organized by Sustainable America.

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Forum for the Future is an independent non-profit that was established in 1996 to work globally with business, government and others to solve complex sustainability challenges. We believe it is critical to transform the key systems we rely on to shape a brighter future and innovate for long-term success.

A joint program between EAT and WBCSD, Food Reform for Sustainability and Health (FReSH) is designed to accelerate transformational change in global food systems, to reach healthy, enjoyable diets for all, that are produced responsibly within planetary boundaries. To achieve this ambitious goal, FReSH has brought business and science to work together. It draws on knowledge and efforts from premier research institutions, and is working with the business community to develop successful, high-impact solutions.

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) launched at the U.N. in 2012. It is an international organization driven by the vision of a world without malnutrition and a goal of ending malnutrition within this lifetime. They focus their efforts on children and women while building alliances between businesses, government, and civil society to find solutions to the complex problem of malnutrition. GAIN developed the Postharvest Loss Alliance for Nutrition (PLAN) program, which aims to make nutritious food more accessible and available for all.

GFAR's mission is to mobilize all stakeholders involved in agricultural research and innovation systems for development, and to catalyze actions toward alleviating poverty, increasing food security, and promoting the sustainable use of natural resources.

Grist was founded in 1999 as one of the nation's first online-only publications, covering serious topics without taking themselves too seriously. Its independent, nonprofit newsroom pursues in-depth stories on under-covered topics like clean energy, sustainable food, livable cities, environmental justice, and a better economy. Grist elevates solutions, exposes inequity, and gives readers the context, knowledge, and tools to make a difference.

GrowNYC is the sustainability resource for New Yorkers: providing free tools and services anyone can use in order to improve our City and environment. Our mission is to improve New York City's quality of life through environmental programs that transform communities block by block and empower all New Yorkers to secure a clean and healthy environment for future generations. Over the years we've become a service organization: whether it's operating the world-famous Union Square Greenmarket, building a new community garden, teaching young people about the environment, or improving recycling awareness, if you’re a New Yorker, GrowNYC is working near you!

GRuB (Garden-Raised Bounty) inspires positive personal and community change by bringing people together around food and agriculture. GRuB partners with youth and people with low-incomes to create empowering individual and community food solutions. By offering a variety of tools and training, GRuB works to build a just and sustainable food system.

IFOAM – Organics International Ensures That the Organic Voice Is Heard on Both a Regional and Global Level.


International Food Policy and Research Institute (IFPRI) Provides Research-Based Policy Solutions to Sustainably Reduce Poverty and End Hunger and Malnutrition. The Institute Conducts Research, Communicates Results, Optimizes Partnerships, and Builds Capacity to Ensure Sustainable Food Production, Promote Healthy Food Systems, Improve Markets and Trade, Transform Agriculture, Build Resilience, and Strengthen Institutions and Governance. Gender Is Considered in All of the Institute’s Work. IFPRI Collaborates with Partners Around the World, Including Development Implementers, Public Institutions, the Private Sector, and Farmers’ Organizations.

The James Beard Foundation

The James Beard Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) based in New York City. They are best known for the James Beard Award, which is the highest honor for beverage and food professionals in the United States. The Foundation’s mission is to preserve, nurture, and celebrate the diverse culinary heritage and future in the United States. Apart from the award, the Foundation offers a variety of events and programs intended to educate, inspire, and entertain, in addition to promoting a fuller understanding of culinary culture. They maintain the James Beard House in New York City’s Greenwich Village, which visiting chefs can use as a performance space.

Kiss the Ground

Kiss the Ground is a nonprofit committed to inspiring global participation in soil regeneration: to sequester carbon, ensure abundant food, replenish water resources, and increase biodiversity for the benefit of all life. They create educational curriculum, campaigns, and media to raise awareness and empower individuals to purchase food that support healthy soils and a balanced climate. KTG also works with farmers, educators, NGOs, scientists, students, and policymakers to advocate for regenerative agriculture, raise funds to train farmers, and help brands and businesses to invest in healthy soils. Kiss the Ground has partnered with Big Picture Ranch, documentarians Josh and Rebecca Tickell, and Executive Producer Leonardo DiCaprio to release the self-titled documentary Kiss the Ground at the end of 2018.

Landesa Rural Development Institute

Landesa Rural Development Institute (LRDI) is an organization that works to help secure land for the world’s poorest people. The organization partners with local governments in developing countries to help create laws, policies, and programs to foster social justice, economic growth, and opportunities for the communities. They often focus on creating and enforcing land rights for women. Landesa’s vision is a world free from poverty wherein people who depend on the land for their livelihood are provided the rights they need.

The McKnight Foundation

The McKnight Foundation, a Minnesota-based family foundation, seeks to improve the quality of life for present and future generations. Through grantmaking, collaboration, and encouragement of strategic policy reform, they use their resources to attend, unite, and empower those they serve.

Millennium Institute

Millennium Institute enables decisionmakers to use system dynamics thinking and tools to analyze and understand the interconnectedness among economic, social, and environmental factors, as well as issues of peace and security. This will increase their capacity to implement sustainable policies. MI seeks to play a catalytic role in creating a global network of system thinkers to solve critical 21st century challenges.

More and Better

The More and Better Network (MaB) is a civil society network of about 125 organizations – farmers’ and fisherfolks’ organizations and NGOs in 47 countries as well as on regional and international level working together for more and better support to agriculture and rural development to eradicate hunger and poverty. MaB is also responsible for the webpage http://ag-transition.org where you will find reports about agroecology and other forms of sustainable agriculture published by many different organizations and institutions.
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Since its founding in 1902, The National Farmers Union (NFU) has worked to protect and enhance the economic well-being and quality of life for family farmers, fishers, ranchers, and rural communities through the advocacy of locally initiated policy positions. NFU believes that good opportunities in production agriculture are the foundation of strong farm and ranch families, which are the basis for thriving rural communities, which, in turn, are vital to the health, security, and economic well-being of the entire national economy.

The National Future Farmers of America (FFA) Organization makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education. Students whose lives are impacted by FFA and agricultural education will achieve academic and personal growth, strengthen American agriculture, and provide leadership to build healthy local communities, a strong nation, and a sustainable world.

The National Young Farmers Coalition represents, mobilizes, and engages young farmers to ensure their success, envisioning a country where young people who are willing to work, get trained, and take a little risk can support themselves and their families in farming. NYFC supports practices and policies that will sustain young, independent and prosperous farmers now and in the future.

National Resources Defense Council (NRDC) works to safeguard the earth—its people, its plants and animals, and the natural systems on which all life depends. Through the combination of a network of more than three million members and online activists with the expertise of some 500 scientists, lawyers, and policy advocates across the globe, NRDC works to ensure the rights of all people to the air, the water, and the wild.

The New England Culinary Institute brings culinary arts and business together, teaching students to become experts in their culinary profession. NECI provides a strong foundation in technique and fundamental skills, providing NECI graduates with the opportunity to inspire, motivate, and guide their creative teams to develop and implement innovative concepts.

Northwestern Health Sciences University, located in Bloomington, Missouri, prepares the next generation of healthcare professionals to deliver and advance health care. The school is a premier health sciences university creating a healthier world. With the help of partnerships, the university advances and promotes natural approaches to health through education, research, clinical services, and community engagement.
Nourish and Flourish

Nourish and Flourish brings readers thought-provoking editorial content and engaging photography that explores emerging trends in food, nutrition, technology, travel, and more. The special interest publication includes stories from photographers, writers, scientists, and designers from all over the world—from different age groups, cultures, and demographics. With three publications per year and online content, Nourish and Flourish hopes to connect its international readership back to nature, healthy food, and living well.

Ecovia Intelligence

Ecovia Intelligence (formerly known as Organic Monitor) is a specialist research, consulting & training firm that focuses on global ethical product industries. We have been encouraging sustainable development since our formation in 2001. Our organisation was established with the mission to assist operators in high-growth ethical industries by providing business intelligence.

Oxfam America

Oxfam America is a global organization working to right the wrongs of poverty, hunger, and injustice. As one of 17 members of the international Oxfam confederation, they work with people in more than 90 countries to create lasting solutions. Oxfam saves lives, develops long-term solutions to poverty, and campaigns for social change.

Passion for Pasta Advisory Council

Passion for Pasta Advisory Council is a project of Barilla bringing together scientists, nutritionists, and researchers to encourage sustainable consumption of pasta. Pasta is a staple food in many homes around the world. But it has many more benefits than just providing a tasty meal. Pasta can be a sustainable and affordable food choice for people with any income and can help support healthy bodies and healthy environments.

Real Food Media

Real Food Media believes books are central to understanding what’s broken in the food system and how to fix it by coming together to read, debate, question, discuss, and celebrate books through their Real Food Reads selection of the month. Each month, they deliver a fresh book idea, a podcast with the author of every month, and recipe pairings to bring food and drinks into your book discussions.

ReFED

ReFED is a multi-stakeholder nonprofit that takes a data-driven approach to move the food system from acting on instinct to insights to solve our national food waste problems. ReFED has identified 27 of the best opportunities through the Roadmap to Reduce U.S. Food Waste, a first-of-its-kind economic analysis, making it easier for stakeholders across the food supply chain to meeting the national 50% reduction goal by 2030.

Refresh Working Group

This project uses research, storytelling, and collective action to examine technological innovation in the United States food system with the aim of building a coalition of people to “refresh” the food system for the common good. The Refresh report presents a framework for discussing the impact of emerging technologies on the way we produce, distribute, and consume food.
Initiated by Nature & More, and in partnership with the FAO’s Global Soil Partnership, the Save Our Soils campaign aims to raise consumer awareness about the importance of soil for our health, food security and the climate. The campaign seeks to raise awareness about the problem of degraded soils, and point towards “soilutions.” Save Our Soils works to activate consumers to get creative and become “soildiers” for a better future.

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Seattle University, founded in 1891, demonstrates leadership in sustainable practices and environmental justice. From LEED certified buildings to urban gardens, Seattle University has an extensive array of projects to make its campus as sustainable as possible. Sustainability is core to the university’s identity as it promotes human rights, care for the natural world, and the common good.

Skyberries Academy is organized by the Vertical Farm Institute in Vienna. This international summer school introduces participants to vertical farming, highlighting food, technology, business, and society to show how vertical farm is a structural element of the city. Professionals, students, and experts are welcome.

Slow Food USA is part of the global Slow Food network of over 150,000 members in more than 150 countries. Through a vast volunteer network of local chapters, they link the pleasures of the table with a commitment to protect the community, culture, knowledge, and environment that make this pleasure possible. Their mission as an international grassroots membership organization is good, clean, and fair food for all.

The Sustainable Food Trust is committed to facing challenges and exploring solutions for a food production system that causes the least possible harm to both humans and the environment. The Trust works to develop solutions to food system problems in the areas of leadership and collaboration, communications and citizen engagement, and research and policy.

The Swette Center for Sustainable Food Systems develops innovative ideas and solutions to the many challenges of current food systems. Taking a holistic and transdisciplinary approach, the Center’s work encompasses water and energy use, carbon footprint and nutrition, innovations in agtech, and the well-being and livelihood of farmers and others working in food systems.
The overall objective of TGFA is to promote agriculture by adopting and advocate for effective best practices, techniques, innovation, science, and technology supported by policies and regulations in the sector for sustainable development in social, political and economic transformation in Tanzania.

The Big Bet Initiative
Your ideas and Big Bets matter. What idea, innovation or thought would you encourage the world community to adopt to maximize the chances that we reach the Global Goals for Sustainable Development by 2030?

The Christian Science Monitor
The Christian Science Monitor is an international news organization that delivers thoughtful, global coverage via its website, weekly magazine, daily news briefing, and email newsletters.

The Climate Collaborative
The Climate Collaborative was born from a belief shared by natural food leaders that industry has great potential to reverse climate change by working together. The Climate Collaborative is formed by concerned businesses from the natural products industry working to collaboratively to catalyze bold action, amplify the voice of business and promote sound policy to reverse climate change.

The Economics of Ecosystems & Biodiversity for Agriculture and Food (TEEBAg)
Ecosystems and agricultural & food systems are typically evaluated in isolation from one another, despite their many and significant links. The economic invisibility of many of these links is a major reason for this ‘silo’ thinking. However, ecosystems are the ecological home in which crop and livestock systems thrive and produce food for humans, and in turn agricultural practices, food production, distribution and consumption impose several unquantified externalities on ecosystems and human health and well-being.

The Economist Events
The Economist Events hosts Sustainability Summits worldwide, and they have partnered with Food Tank to organize the Inaugural U.S. Sustainability Summit. This Summit will bring together over 200 leading business executives, policy makers, investors, and critical thinkers to discuss the technological adaptations that a sustainable future requires. The U.S. conference will cover a wide variety of topics, such as policy, business sustainability goals, infrastructure, impact investing, the circular economy, climate change, and precious resources.

The Fink Family Foundation
The Foundation’s Food Waste Program seeks to reduce, recover, and recycle food waste by directing it towards its highest and best use – ultimately feeding more people and reducing the environmental impact of food waste. The Food Waste Program is particularly concerned about the issue of food being wasted while people in our communities remain hungry.

The George Washington University
The George Washington University was created in 1821 through an Act of Congress, fulfilling George Washington’s vision of an institution in the nation’s capital dedicated to educating and preparing future leaders. Today, GW is the largest...
institution of higher education in the District of Columbia. GW has more than 20,000 students—from all 50 states, the District and more than 130 countries—studying a rich range of disciplines: from forensic science and creative writing to international affairs and computer engineering, as well as medicine, public health, the law and public policy.

**The Land Institute**

The Land Institute is a science-based research organization working to develop an alternative to current destructive agricultural practices. Their work is dedicated to advancing perennial grain crops and polyculture farming solutions. Founded as a nonprofit organization in 1976, The Land Institute is committed to researching and developing food production methods that sustain the land and soil.

**The One Acre Fund**

The One Acre Fund is a micro-investment organization based in Africa and devoted to helping smallholder farmers become self-reliant by providing them with the resources they need to be successful. Africa’s hungriest people are smallholder farmers. Smallholder farmers have largely been neglected by the modern agricultural industry. They struggle to obtain access seeds, financing, insurance, risk spreading programs, efficient workable markets, and decent storage facilities. As a result, farming families regularly suffer from a “hunger season,” a period of time of a month or longer when food is sparse or nonexistent. The One Acre Fund envisions a future where every farm family has the knowledge, materials, and support necessary to satisfy their basic needs.

**The Overbrook Foundation**

The Overbrook Foundation is a progressive family foundation that supports organizations advancing human rights and conserving the natural environment. The Overbrook Foundation was established in New York in 1948 by Helen and Frank Altschul. The Foundation took its name from Overbrook Farm, the Altschul family home in Stamford, Connecticut. The Overbrook Foundation awarded approximately $5.4 million in grants in 2013. Since its inception, the Foundation has given away more than $170 million.

**The Rockefeller Foundation**

The Rockefeller Foundation’s mission — unchanged since 1913 — is to promote the well-being of humanity throughout the world. Together with partners and grantees, The Rockefeller Foundation strives to catalyze and scale transformative innovations, creates unlikely partnerships that span sectors, and take risks others cannot.

**The Wallace Center**

The Wallace Center is part of the Enterprise and Agriculture Group at Winrock International and focuses on addressing social, economic, and environmental needs in the United States using market-based approaches. They draw expertise from other Winrock International programs, such as Renewable and Clean Energy, Agriculture, Women’s Empowerment, Youth Leadership and Education, Forestry and Natural Resource Management, and Ecosystems Services. The Wallace Center develops partnerships and learning networks, pilots new ideas, and advances solutions to strengthen communities through resilient farming and food systems.

**Think.Eat.Save**

Think.Eat.Save, a collaborative initiative of the UN Environment Programme (UNEP), UN Food and Agriculture Organization
(FAO), and other international organizations, works to reverse food loss and food waste by providing consumers, retailers, leaders, and the community with advice and ways to take action to limit wasteful practices.

Thought For Food (TFF) Challenge
www.tffchallenge.com
Founded in 2011, TFF is a fast-growing community of 1,000+ brilliant students, ambassadors and mentors from 24 countries on 6 continents, crossfertilized by networks of thought leaders, social entrepreneurs and multinational experts. The annual TFF Challenge calls on university students from all fields of study to explore the complex challenges of food security, as they generate and prototype new projects that make a difference. The flagship TFF Summit serves as a launch pad for projects and relationships to take off. TFF aims to play a key role in resolving global food security challenges by tapping into the unique skills and talents of the Millennial generation, and by providing state of the art educational tools, mentorship, connections and seed funding.

True Health Initiative (THI)
www.truehealthinitiative.org
True Health Initiative (THI) is a public health communication & education campaign. At its core is the global consensus on lifestyle as medicine. As a growing coalition of thousands, supported by an expert council of 450 Directors from more than 40 countries, we disseminate and demonstrate the evidence-based fundamentals of healthy eating and healthy living. By sharing the truth in one voice, we envision a planet where all people live long and healthy lives, free of preventable chronic disease and premature death.

United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization
www.fao.org
The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) is an organization committed to achieving food security for all. The mandate of the FAO is to improve agricultural productivity, contribute to the growth of the world economy, raise levels of nutrition, and better the lives of rural populations. FAO accomplishes these objectives by creating and sharing critical information about agriculture, food, and natural resources; however, the information does not flow one way. Additionally, the FAO acts as a liaison among different partners with varied levels of expertise to connect those who have the information and those who need it. This turning of knowledge into action creates a mutually reinforcing cycle.

University of California - Davis
www.ucdavis.edu
Founded in 1905, the University of California, Davis is regarded as one of the top public universities in the United States. The campus has an annual research budget of over US$750 million, a comprehensive health system and 13 specialized research centers. The university offers interdisciplinary graduate study and 99 undergraduate majors in four colleges and six professional schools. With rigorous academic programs across the disciplines, it has garnered a reputation for solving problems related to food, health, the environment, and society.

University of Chicago Booth School of Business
www.chicagobooth.edu
As part of the world-renowned University of Chicago, the Booth School of Business is characterized by its distinct intellectual culture. Founded in 1898, it is the second-oldest business program in the U.S. Today, the school offers programs on three continents and boasts a global body of 49,000 accomplished alumni. At present, several Noble Prize winners reside in its unmatched faculty.
The Sustainable Community Food Systems (SCFS) program serves to train new generations of food system professionals to actively solve real-world problems through work in agriculture, policy-making, planning, business, research, health sciences and education. SCFS is a multidisciplinary education program that incorporates problem-based and hands-on learning to develop food system professionals capable of solving real-world problems and enhancing Hawai‘i’s food system.

University of São Paulo
www5.usp.br

Founded in 1934, the University of São Paulo, a public institution, remains the largest and most prestigious university in Brazil. It offers a broad range of both undergraduate and graduate courses and produces a large portion of Brazil’s published scientific research each year. Many regard it as the best university in Ibero-America.

Wildlife Friendly Enterprise Network
wildlifefriendly.org

The Wildlife Friendly Enterprise Network (WFEN) is a global community dedicated to the development and marketing of products that conserve threatened wildlife while contributing to the economic vitality of rural communities. WFEN’s mission is to protect wildlife in wild places by certifying enterprises that assure people and nature coexist and thrive.

World Food Program USA
wfpusa.org

Consistent with the mission of the United Nations World Food Programme, World Food Program USA works with U.S. policymakers, corporations, foundations, and individuals to help provide financial resources and develop policies needed to alleviate global hunger.

World Resources Institute
www.wri.org

The World Resources Institute (WRI) is a global research organization that spans more than 50 countries, working to turn big ideas into action at the nexus of environment, economic opportunity, and human well-being. WRI is working on six critical goals that the world must achieve this decade in order to secure a sustainable future: climate, energy, food, forests, water, cities & transport.

World Rural Forum
www.ruralforum.org/en/home

The World Rural Forum (WRF) is a forum for analysis and a rural development observatory. It has agreements with universities and other training or research centers, farmers’ associations, and NGOs with strong links to grassroots organizations. This work enables reliable information regarding analyzing the problems of farmers, ranchers, and rural residents in different areas throughout the world, and developing proposals for action. WRF is a sponsor of the International Year of Family Farming 2014 (IYFF-2014), which represents family farmers, indigenous communities, and smallholder farmers across the globe.

Young Professionals for Young Professionals for Agricultural Development
ypard.net

YPARD is an international movement by Young Professionals FOR Young Professionals for Agricultural Development. YPARD’s mission is to serve as a global collective platform through which young professionals can realize their full potential and contribute proactively toward innovative agricultural development.
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