## Here's How You Can Get Involved:

- Apply to be a participating farmer, the training session begins in February.
- We welcome financial support from the community.
- Visit our website for volunteer opportunities throughout the year.
- Stay in touch by signing up for Seattle Tilth's Enews.

Find more info: seattletilth.org.





### Join our CSA

Build relationships with new farmers and make an investment in delicious food grown on local farms — sign-up by May 23 to get a weekly box of tasty produce from June-October!

Find out more: seattletilth.org/about/stcsa.

### Contact Us!

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#### **Our Partners**

Essential support comes from USDA's Beginning Farmer Rancher Development Program. The farmland belongs to Seattle Parks and Recreation and they are making it available as part of their Parks Urban Food Systems program.

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# Seattle Tilth Farm Works





## **Growing Farms**

Seattle Tilth Farm Works (STFW) provides small farm business training for refugees, immigrants and individuals with limited resources. We are a "farm incubator," growing new local farms and small farm businesses.

We operate a diverse 9 acre production farm located in Auburn, WA. Participating farmers attend farm and business training, tour neighboring farms and gain hands-on experience growing and harvesting food using organic practices.

The program provides:

- A comprehensive educational program covering farming, business planning and marketing
- On-site mentorship from experienced farmers
- Access to farmland, equipment, water and other necessary inputs
- Assistance in creating marketing channels for products

# Training Model

At the heart of this project is the idea that participating farmers learn best by actually operating a small farm in a supportive environment. This learn-by-doing concept has already been proven successful at other nationally recognized agricultural small farm and new farmer trainings.



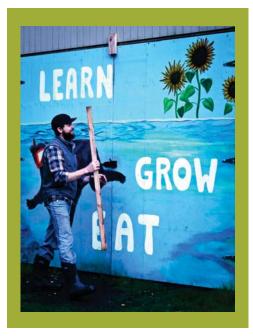






## Business Development

Through Seattle Tilth Farm Works, participants create farm business plans to ensure their success as small farm operators. Participants who successfully complete the program can lease land, equipment and utilities at subsidized rates. Graduates receive market and distribution support in addition to opportunities for continuing education and land access.



## Supporting a Healthy Local Food System

Seattle Tilth Farm Works makes healthy food available to participating farmers' families and our community.

Seattle Tilth Produce distributes what we grow through our CSA, local farmers markets, restaurants, grocery stores and our Good Food Bag program.

