

IMPACT REPORT

GROW *Together*

2024-2025



Dear SCLT FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS,

As we reflect on 2025, we know many of you are wondering, “How has SCLT navigated the funding challenges while continuing to serve our community?”

Most importantly, our gardens and farms continue to thrive as they always have. They provide common ground in neighborhoods, a quiet escape from daily challenges for individuals, economic opportunity for farmers and young people, and healthy food for the communities that host them.

This year brought major financial shifts. We did the math and confirmed that federal support represented about 40% of SCLT’s budget. Knowing this support would erode, we committed to strengthening local partnerships while streamlining operations and cultivating new supporters.

The response has been extraordinary. Local support grew in 2025, though we haven’t yet been able to fully replace that 40% federal loss. We continue anticipating decreases in USDA support as multi-year contracts expire without renewal in the coming months and years.

Despite these challenges, our vital work continues. The 404 Broad Healthy Food Hub, our aggregation partnerships with local farmers, and our Veggie Rx and Free Farm Stand programs remain strong. Because these programs serve so many people who don’t have adequate access to fresh, healthy and affordable food, our local funding community has stepped up to support them. These important programs continue to forecast strong and meaningful futures, and we remain wholeheartedly committed to our community gardens and youth workforce development programs.

Your partnership remains essential. Please consider making a gift today at southsideclt.org/donate or use the enclosed envelope. Every contribution helps us finish this year strong and enter 2026 with confidence.

Thank you for so many years of friendship and support.



Margaret DeVos
Executive Director



Rochelle Lee
Board President

Cover: Garmai Mawolo and Kakenna Castro at 404 Broad

Right: Lilianna Pazos and volunteers at City Farm

COMMUNITY Impact

The Southside Community Land Trust (SCLT) serves communities throughout Rhode Island by creating equitable access to healthy food, economic opportunities for farmers and youth, and community gardens. This impact report highlights our work during 2024-2025, a year of significant transition as we adapted to changing federal funding while strengthening local partnerships.

This report demonstrates how community support has enabled us to maintain our mission of providing fresh, affordable food and economic opportunity to those who need it most.

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS
26,000 PEOPLE are served annually through community gardens, farmer support & services, workforce development programs, and healthy food access initiatives.

HEALTHY FOOD ACCESS

Our Aggregation Program collects, distributes, and sells produce from urban farmers in our network. We handle logistics and market placement so farmers can focus on growing fresh food for their communities while earning sustainable income.

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

60,000
POUNDS in 2024

\$350,000 REVENUE
generated for local farmers

\$30-\$35 VALUE
Per weekly Veggie Rx bag
with seasonal, culturally
familiar produce

1,200 PEOPLE
served through free farm
stand giveaways at
13 COMMUNITY EVENTS

Left: Produce from City Farm.
Middle: Edith Paye, gardener, farmer,
and board member, at Urban Edge
Farm; **Right:** Chandelle Wilson, Ellen
Asermely, and Youth at Field Trip.

“ **AGGREGATION HAS
MADE IT EASY FOR
US TO DELIVER.** ”

COMMUNITY GARDENS

SCLT's community gardens serve as vital spaces where groups grow culturally familiar foods, generate income, and build community connections.

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

325
GARDENERS

6.42
URBAN ACRES

34
LANGUAGES
SPOKEN

25
COMMUNITY
GARDENS

“ **THE GARDEN PROVIDED
LOCAL AND INEXPENSIVE
VEGETABLES FOR ME.** ”

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

The Workforce Development empowers young people aged 14-24 from Providence, Pawtucket, and Central Falls through hands-on sustainable agriculture and food justice education. Participants develop leadership skills while creating pathways to college, careers, and community transformation.

“ **I NEVER THOUGHT
I WOULD LIKE BEING
OUTSIDE WITH BUGS AND
DIRT... NOW I NEED IT!** ”

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

30 YOUTH
are served annually

**ABOUT OUR YOUTH
PARTICIPANTS**

93% GO ON
to college or the
workforce after
graduation

60% RETURN
for multiple seasons

**90% CONSIDER
CAREERS**
in agriculture,
environmental science,
or food policy

FARMER SUPPORT & SERVICES

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

45 FARMERS
running **17** OPERATIONS

74.75 ACRES
managed
36.5 IN CROPS
32 IN MANAGED FOREST

331,000
POUNDS of produce

“ SCLT HAS HELPED
US KEEP THIS PROGRAM
GOING, AND WE WANT
IT TO CONTINUE. ”

CITY FARM

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

\$47,000
PRODUCE SALES
in Farmers Market

20 HIGH
SCHOOL
students throughout
the year

5 COLLEGE
INTERNS
from **3** UNIVERSITIES

1,500 PLANTS
donated

26 WEEKS of
farmers' markets

2025 PLANT SALE

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

TWO DAYS
20,000
PLANTS SOLD

2,000
PEOPLE

60
VOLUNTEERS

THANK YOU TO OUR
VOLUNTEERS AND TO
Blount Fine Foods,
Trader Joe's, Whole Foods
and Costco for donating
meals and snacks.

See you at the 2026
Plant Sale!



THANK YOU *for your support*

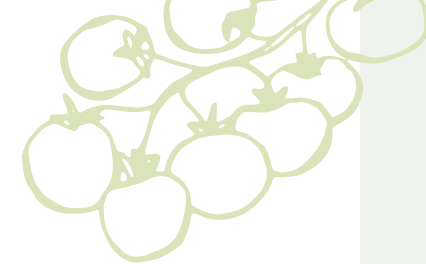
GRANT FUNDERS 2024

1772 Foundation	RI Association of Conservation Districts
Amica	RI Commerce
Bannister	RI Energy PPL Foundation
City of Providence	RI Wild Plant Society
Farm Credit East	Rhode Island Foundation
Harbor One	RIAEP/Clean Heat RI
Island Foundation	Skills for RI's Future
Mary Dexter Chafee Fund	South Health Initiative
Navigant Charitable Foundation	Textron
Papitto Opportunity Connection	Tides Foundation
Point32Health	UNFI
PVD Rotary	USDA
Real Skills for Youth	USDA NIFA GusNIP
RI Agricultural Energy Program	USDA NRCS

Top: Chantai, Farmer at Somerset Garden;
Bottom: Ellen Asermely, Margaret DeVos and Rich Pederson at Farmers Market

OUR PARTNERS

Amos House	Joseph & Jordan Caffey Townhouses & Apartments/Omni Development
Beautiful Beginnings Childcare Center	Maisey's Tree Farm
Black Beans PVD	Ocean Hour Farm
Brown University Health Building Futures	Progreso Latino
Cartwheel RI	Pronk
Clínica Esperanza	Renaissance Adult Health Center
D's Spot	RIDEM
DaVinci Center	St. Martin de Porres
Dr. John Taylor, URI	The Partnership for Providence Parks
Groundwork RI	Trinity Square Together
Harvest Cycle	West African Superstore
Integra Community Care Network	West End Community Center
John Hope Settlement House	



GROWING SEASON SPONSORS 2025

BANKRI

United Healthcare

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island

Navigant CREDIT UNION

wildflour
vegan bakery & café

Garden Grille
vegetarian

Beacon MUTUAL

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OUR RANGE

● SCLT COMMUNITY GARDENS

Land we own and/or manage

● PROVIDENCE COMMUNITY GARDEN NETWORK SITES

Gardens we support with agricultural resources and/or services

● SCLT-OWNED AND/OR MANAGED FARMS

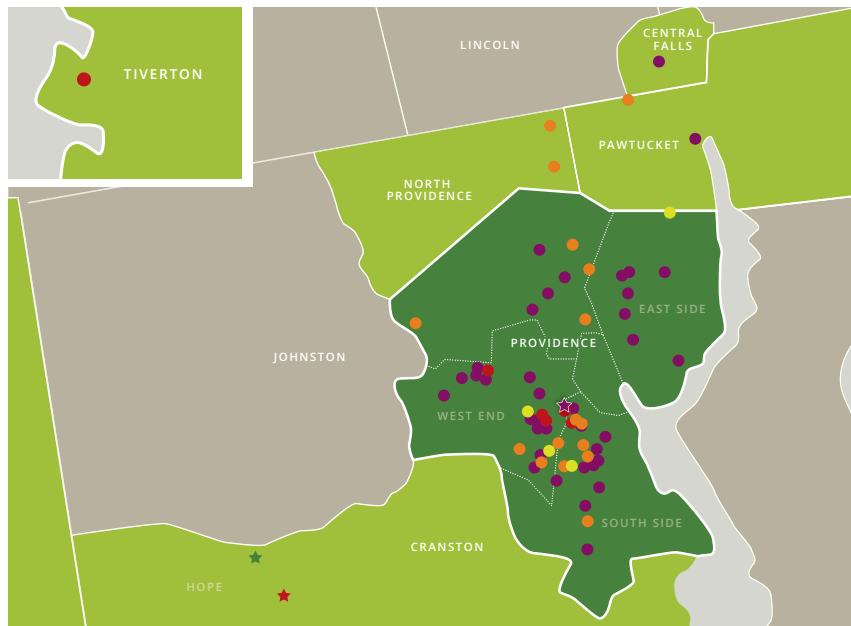
● FARMERS MARKETS

★ THE GOOD EARTH

★ FUTURE FOOD HUB AND URBAN EDGE

*Under Construction
completion in 2027*

★ SCLT HEADQUARTERS



GET INVOLVED

SCLT's work relies on donor contributions and volunteer partnerships. For information about how to make a gift visit

[SOUTHSIDECLT.ORG/DONATE](https://southsideclt.org/donate).

To explore individual or group volunteer opportunities visit

[SOUTHSIDECLT.ORG/SUPPORT](https://southsideclt.org/support)



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Produce share from the Veggie Rx Program at 404 Food Hub