

FOOD

Processes and infrastructure involved in feeding a population

Our communities, livelihoods, and ecosystems all depend on healthy food systems. Sustainable food systems are essential to the health of both people and the planet. As the world's population increases and resources become scarcer, our food systems increasingly depend on environmental, economic, and social collaboration.

Basics

Yes:

- Organizations with food-related missions that are undeniably and predominantly tied to the wellbeing of the environment (through programs, communications, impact, etc.).

No:

- Organizations with food-related missions that are not related to the wellbeing of the environment, or that make no mention of how their work is related to the well-being of our environment.
- Unless otherwise noted (see exceptions in the notable section at the bottom of this document) organizations that have 1-2 small environmental programs, but whose main focus is related to other topics such as general elementary education, mental health, human services, disaster relief, etc.

1% for the Planet accepts environmentally-focused nonprofit organizations in the following categories. At least one "yes" and "no" example is provided for each section.

Access and recreation: Facilitating people's ability to enjoy our earth's natural resources and inspiring them to be stewards of our planet

- Yes
 - [City Slicker Farms](#) Assist community members in meeting their need for fresh, healthy food with **strong and obvious programmatic ties to the environment** including high-yield urban farms, food justice, organic gardening methods, and environmental stewardship education.
- No
 - [A Place at the Table](#): Provides community building and food access at supplemented prices through "pay it forward" programs and donations, but with **little-to-no focus on environmental issues**.

Activism: Focusing public attention on what is at stake for the planet in the current economic and political environment

- Yes
 - [National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition](#): Advocates for federal policy reform to **advance the sustainability of agriculture, food systems, natural resources, and rural communities, with strong programmatic ties to protecting the environment**.
- No:
 - [Nourish Life](#): Educational initiative focused on building food literacy around health and communities through curriculums combining television, short films, web content, and professional learning but with **little-to-no focus on environmental issues or the wellbeing of the environment**.

Adult Education: Environmental education specifically targeted to an adult audience

- Yes
 - [Food Shift](#): Focused on educating communities to **build more just and sustainable food system with a significant programmatic focus on environmental issues including diverting food loss to conserve natural resources, combating climate change, and cultivating more sustainable communities**.
- No
 - [Community Culinary School of Charlotte](#): Provides workforce training and job placement assistance in the food service industry for adults who face barriers to successful employment, but with **little-to-no focus on environmental issues**.

Biodiversity and Habitat: Protecting the variability of life on earth in service of healthy ecosystems and our planet

- Yes
 - [Pesticide Action Network](#): Challenge the global proliferation of pesticides to **ensure the transition to a just and viable food system with a significant focus on defending the basic rights to health and environmental quality**.
- No

- [Rainbow Plate](#): Encourages children and adults to seek out a wide range of diverse, and colorful food, but with **little-to-no focus on environmental issues or the wellbeing of the environment.**

Environmental Justice: Ensuring that all people and groups, regardless of race, gender, income, or nation of origin, are entitled to environmental protection

- Yes
 - [Teens for Food Justice](#): Works to ensure universal equitable access to healthy, fresh, affordable food by **training youth in 21st century hydroponic urban agricultural farming techniques, entrepreneurship, and health/nutrition education and advocacy, while focusing heavily on environmental issues and the green sector economy.**
- No
 - [The Red Cross](#): Prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors, but with **little-to-no focus on environmental issues or the wellbeing of the environment.**

Fisheries and Sustainable Fishing: Promoting fishing practices that reduce overfishing and overconsumption

- Yes
 - [Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Foundation](#): Engages and catalyzes global seafood supply chains in **rebuilding depleted fish stocks with a significant focus on reducing the environmental impacts of fishing and fish farming.**
- No
 - [Office of Marine Conservation](#): Formulates and implements U.S. policy on a broad range of international issues concerning the conservation and management of living marine resources, but **is part of a federal agency, not a charitable organization, and is therefore not eligible for our nonprofit partner network.**

Human Health and Economic Development: Creating positive health outcomes and economic growth through the responsible management of natural resources

- Yes
 - [Sustainable Harvest International](#): Equips and empowers low-income farmers with the resources to implement alternatives to slash-and-burn agriculture, **sustain the land for future generations of farmers, halt tropical deforestation, and build strong, self-supporting communities through agribusiness.**
- No
 - [James Beard Foundation](#): Culinary non profit providing economic opportunities for chefs/restaurants through scholarships, hands on learning, and industry programs. They also assist in economic Covid relief funds, but with **no mention of, or significant focus on environmental issues.**

Law and Public Policy: Political or legal action utilized as a tool to protect our natural resources

- Yes
 - [Los Angeles Food Policy Council](#): Creates a local food system free from hunger, rooted in equity and access, supportive of farmers and food workers, and **guided by principles of environmental stewardship and regeneration.**
- No
 - [Lunch 4 Learning](#): Coalition based campaign working towards making free and healthy school meals available to all public school students regardless of income, but with **no mention of, or significant focus on, environmental issues.**

Organic Agriculture: Producing food to maintain the ecological balance in our food systems through organic sources

- Yes
 - [Northeast Organic Farming Association](#): Over 5,000 farmers, gardeners, landscape professionals and consumers **working to promote healthy food, organic farming practices, and a cleaner environment.**
- No
 - [City Market](#): Community-owned food cooperative that provides service to the residents of Burlington and the larger VT community by providing a wide variety of local, organic and conventional products at a fair price to all, **but is a for-profit business entity, not a charitable organization, and is therefore not eligible to join our nonprofit network.**

Sustainable Farming Practices: Researching and producing food, or other plant or animal products using techniques that protect the environment

- Yes
 - [Center for Regenerative Agriculture](#): Focus on projects and education which **promote regenerative organic agricultural practice with a significant focus on sustainable farming practices and environmental issues.**
- No
 - [Farm Bureau](#): Represents farm and ranch families for the purpose of analyzing their problems and formulating action to achieve educational improvement, economic opportunity and social advancement and, thereby, to promote the national well-being, but **with little to no focus on environmental issues or the wellbeing of the environment.**

Youth Education: Environmental education specifically targeted to a youth audience

- Yes
 - [Vida Verde Nature Education](#) Provides immersive, overnight environmental learning opportunities for students who lack access to the outdoors, with a **significant portion of programming focusing on local food production, sustainable farming practices, and food access.**
- No
 - [Sur La Table Kids Cooking Classes](#): Hands-on cooking classes tailored children, **but with no focus on the environment, and is a for-profit business entity, not a charitable organization, and is therefore not eligible to join our nonprofit network.**
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Notable

In addition to the categories above, we include supplementary, specific issue areas that are eligible for our nonprofit network. More information pertaining to why we chose to include solutions addressed in Project Drawdown and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals can be found in our Guidelines General Overview document.

Since nonprofit organizations working on the below solutions do not have food and environmental wellbeing as their main mission or focus, donations and support must go directly to the nonprofit's projects related to the topics below. In addition, the nonprofit executing the work must acknowledge how the supported programs are related to the wellbeing of the environment.

Some nonprofit organizations working on the below topics will become 1% for the Planet nonprofit partners, while others will not. For more information, please see "Farmarked Donations" in our Guidelines General Overview document.

Drawdown

- [Clean Cookstoves](#)
- Other
 - Includes, [Improved Rice Cultivation](#), [Tropical Staple Trees](#), [Silvopasture](#), [Tree Intercropping](#), [Managed Grazing](#), [Multistrada Agroforestry](#), [Rice Intensification](#), [Farmland Irrigation](#), [Nutrient Management](#), and [Biochar](#)

United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

SDG 2: Zero Hunger

- Improve the agricultural productivity and incomes of small-scale food producers, in particular women, indigenous peoples, family farmers, pastoralists and fishers, including through secure and equal access to land, other productive resources, and inputs, knowledge, financial services, markets and opportunities for value addition and non-farm employment.

UN Sustainable Development Goal 12: Responsible Consumption and Production

- The UN Sustainable Development Goal 12 indicates that consumption and production are the driving force of our economy and also the health of our planet. Production and consumption, as it stands, are destructive to our natural world, we must decouple economic growth from environmental degradation. UN SDGs aim to

halve per capita global food waste at the retail and consumer levels and reduce food losses along production and supply chains, including post-harvest losses. If we continue business as usual, we will need the equivalent of 3 planets to provide the resources needed to sustain current lifestyles when Earth's population reaches nearly 10 billion by 2050.