



FLAGSTAFF FOODLINK

*Grower
Grants*

REPORT

2018, 2019, & 2020

The Grower Grant

Each year, Flagstaff Foodlink supports local farmers amplify their growing capacity through the Grower Grant Program.

The Grower Grants make hyper-local food more abundant by providing funds to area growers to expand and enhance their food growing operations. The program was created in order to fill gaps that we see in traditional funding sources for small-scale food growers and producers.

Recipients

2018

Daisy Mae Farms	\$500.00
Flagstaff Family Farm	\$500.00
Forestdale Farm	\$812.00
Star Mountain Gardens	\$188.00

2019

Forestdale Farm	\$900.00
Roots Micro Farm	\$623.00
Refugia Gardens	\$800.00
Ruby Earth Gardens	\$900.00

2020

Back to Elden	\$500.00
Coffee Pot Farms	\$1000.00
North Leupp Family Farm	\$1000.00
Red Sand Ranch	\$1000.00
Refugia Gardens	\$1000.00
Ruby Earth Gardens	\$290.00



2019 Grower Grants

The 2019 Grower Grants were made possible by generous donations from: FLG Terroir, Brix, Criollo, Pizzicletta, HANGRY at Dark Sky Brewing, Root Public House, Moonrise Standard, Elizabeth Taylor and Leonard Roseman.

Forestdale Farm



Sustainable potting mix cooperative that sources and mixes potting soil in bulk for sale to the local community. Significantly reduces the cost of purchasing potting mix for farmers.

"The Grower Grant has allowed us to expand our operation, grow food more sustainably, and connect in meaningful ways to our community."

- Rylan Morton-Starner

Refugia Gardens

Multi-purpose hoop house that will allow the farm to increase growing capacity, as well as test new place-based growing techniques and provide a demonstration site for other growers in the region.



Roots Micro Farm

Processing station and tool shed that will increase the production capacity of the farm, as well as provide a space for workshops.

"Growing local food is vital to our health as a sustainable community. We are so thankful for opportunities like the Grower Grant that help empower local growers"

- Josh Chance

Ruby Earth Gardens

Potato patch project that supports the start of a new farm on City property and communicates the stories behind potatoes cultivated in high-elevation foodscapes throughout history.

2020 Grower Grants

The 2019 Grower Grant were made possible by generous donations from: Whole Foods, Karma Sushi, FLG Terroir, Heather and Art Babbott, and Elizabeth Taylor and Leonard Roseman.

Back to Elden

Purchase of new infrastructure needed to harvest rainwater and build the soil of a new urban farming project in the Upper Greenlaw neighborhood of Flagstaff.



Coffee Pot Farms

Construction of a post-harvest area that allows the farm to clean, wash, dry, and pack produce, so it is ready to sell. This refrigerated post-harvest area will be made available to local producers near their farm in Dilkon, located in Navajo County.

North Leupp Family Farms

Drip irrigation system at the grower's plot at the North Leupp Family Farms will reduce water usage and increase crop yields. The award also funds a workshop that will utilize the project as a demonstration for other growers in the region.



Red Sand Ranch

Irrigation, seeds, marketing materials and more to help the startup of a chile-growing operation in Page, AZ.

Refugia Gardens

Rainwater catchment tank that saves precious water used for irrigation. The project is made possible by a low-cost retrofit of an existing building that could be a model for other growers in the region.

Ruby Earth Gardens

Innovative use of a silage tarp that allows no-till farming practices, which maximizes the preservation of carbon in the soil.