



SUN VALLEY
INSTITUTE FOR
RESILIENCE

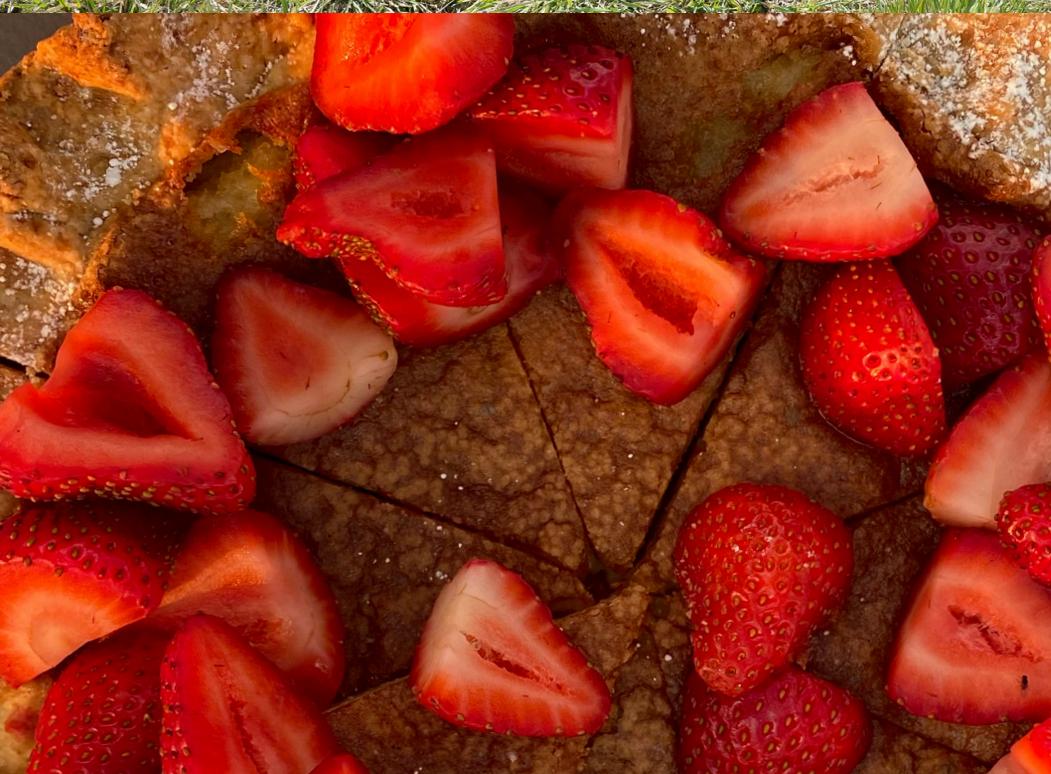
2022 Annual Report



IMPACT
IDAHO FUND

“The Impact Idaho Fund allowed me to fast-track my dreams of creating a micro dairy. I had planned to take the multi-year approach of acquiring equipment and cows. Receiving the Idaho Impact Fund allowed me to start my business and pursue my passion, unimpeded by financial restraints.”

Wilder Jones, Owner
Wild Spaces Farm



Local
FOOD ALLIANCE

“I’m grateful to the team for their help in identifying markets for my mushrooms and finding farmers willing to provide the by-product that will act as the substrate for growing mushrooms.”

Zackary Wood, Owner
Ironwood Mycology



5B RESILIENCE
Gardens

“We are so thankful for the enthusiasm, skills, and knowledge that SVIR has brought to the table to collaborate with our grassroots organization while developing this year’s Earth Day Forum, Sustaining Soil in our High Desert Environment. We anticipate that every participant will walk away with a little more inspiration to live more in balance with our fragile environment.”

Elizabeth Jeffrey, Co-founder
Climate Action Coalition

Dear Friend,

Resilience is more important than ever. The threats we face, from drought and wildfire to inequity and changing economic realities, demand strength from our community. Sun Valley Institute for Resilience continues to be intentional in our actions and focus our resources to have the greatest impact in addressing these challenges.

Resilience is impossible without community. Local Food Alliance continues to make connections between producers and consumers. Our procurement work is scaling up the purchase of local food and the Wood River Valley Locally Grown Guide is **creating a bond between farmers and eaters that strengthens our entire food system.**

Through our partnerships in 2022, we learned that clear, tangible individual action is crucial to addressing these climate emergencies. We took the opportunity to build on the 5B Resilience Gardens initiative and create a more comprehensive program that touches more pillars of community resilience. Through sharing resources and skills, our new program, **5B Resilient, will help create a more engaged, self-reliant, and knowledgeable community.** We are excited to see where this program leads in 2023.

\$350,000 local dollars have been put into action in our community through the Impact Idaho Fund. As a nonprofit, we can prioritize the impact outcomes of our investments over pure profit. This powerful lever for change goes beyond shifting behaviors. We are influencing regional markets and building stronger businesses that produce valuable goods for our community and regenerate the land we love. This model creates a movement, giving voice and power to investors and business owners committed to a bottom line that includes far more than dollar signs.

The big steps we are taking are exciting. In 2022, we closed the pilot round of the Impact Idaho Fund, made a \$250,000 investment in Sustainable Meats, and had our first investment to Itty Bitty Farms paid back in full.

These are big milestone moments for the organization, which deserve celebration. But, I can't help also reflecting on the **innumerable small moments that help our resilience work shine.** This summer, we helped kids dig potatoes in the Watch Me Grow Garden, a partnership project with the City of Ketchum. Weekly, we delivered Locally Grown Guides to the rack outside Hailey Atkinsons' as our community reached for this one-stop guide to eating local. And, on a sunny fall evening, we shared a milk custard with friends that was prepared lovingly by Café Della with milk from Impact Idaho Fund investment recipient, Wild Spaces Farm.

2022 was filled with these sure and brilliant signs that our work is building resilience. **Thank you for being a part of the big and small actions making our community stronger and better prepared to face what is ahead.**

Be well,

Nate Twichell, Executive Director

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Impact Idaho Fund

The Fund offered its **first interest-based and largest loan ever** to Sustainable Meats. This was a \$250,000 loan at 4% interest for 60 months.

Itty Bitty Farms finished their payments and loan term, becoming **our first completed pilot project.**

We analyzed huge increases in impact from agricultural pilot projects related to carbon emissions, with **32 tons of avoided CO2 emissions** from the sale of 35,000 pounds of food into the community.

Local Food Alliance

We **embraced thought leadership**, presenting at several conferences including the Sun Valley Economic Development Forum, and hosted various webinars including a series of roundtables on livestock processing issues in Idaho, and three Meet Your Farmer webinars.

We published our **3rd Annual Locally Grown Guide** with over 130 listings and distributed 3,000 copies throughout the Wood River Valley.

We were invited to join in writing **Blaine County's Climate Action Plan**, including chairing the Land & Water Conservation Task Force.

5B Resilience Gardens

We **launched a compost program and climate literacy curriculum** with the City of Ketchum's summer youth program through the Watch Me Grow Garden.



A heartfelt thank you to all our 2022 donors and collaborators!

Scan this code to see the individuals, foundations, businesses, and Board Members who helped build resilience in our region!

In 2022, Sun Valley Institute for Resilience took flight.

After completing a successful pilot, the Idaho Impact Fund has expanded to include climate-smart land management in addition to regional food systems. Fund investments went to a new level to address larger, regional challenges. Our team acted as thought leaders in the regenerative food and agriculture space. Our programs provided practical hands-on approaches to resilience at home. And, through all these actions, we deepened the community relationships that get things done. As a board, **we are extremely proud of SVIR's direction and trajectory and look forward to sharing in an impactful 2023.**

Nina Tooley and Jeff Hogue, Board Co-Chairs

2022 FINANCIALS

