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Global Growers Network in Atlanta Secures Property In Rockdale County
In partnership with the Working Farms Fund, Global Growers Network finds new flagship farm.

Decatur, GA - Global Growers Network (GGN) announces its acquisition of a 23-acre property in Rockdale County, GA. This property will serve as a flagship farm for the decade-old organization. Located on 23 acres of prime farmland in Conyers, the new farm will be home to 15-20 small farm operations led by growers from diverse cultures. The certified organic farm will model cooperative farming practices as a shared community farm that will grow fresh and culturally diverse foods from around the world. In addition, the site will feature spaces for community gatherings, farm events, pick your own fruit and vegetables, and celebrations of local and global food culture.

GGN Executive Director, Robin Chanin, explains, “Global Growers Network is on a pathway to land ownership following 10 years of developing farms and gardens on leased land with our talented grower network, most of whom face current and historical barriers to land access. Together, we are creating a model of land stewardship that will drive community wealth building while also preserving and sharing important cultural traditions.”

The farm property was acquired with financing from the Working Farms Fund program led by The Conservation Fund. Within three years, The Conservation Fund will secure a conservation easement that will permanently protect the farm and reduce the final purchase price for Global Growers Network. In the meantime, Global Growers Network will immediately begin to farm the land, while investing in soil health and farm infrastructure. This unique and patient pathway to farm ownership is part of a broader initiative to keep farms productive, protect metro area farmland, and grow a more resilient local food system. GGN broke ground as one of the first farm operations in Georgia to enter into this innovative program with the Working Farms Fund. GGN will embark on a campaign to raise the necessary funds for the ultimate purchase of the farm, as well as land improvements and facility renovations at the farm.

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About Global Growers Network: Global Growers Network partners with people from diverse cultures who grow fresh food for their families and for local marketplaces. GGN builds and sustains networks of growers, land, resources, and markets. Their work is driven by cultural diversity, inclusive economies, and regenerative agriculture practices. Today, more than 300 new American families grow fresh food across GGN's network of eight farm and garden sites in Metro Atlanta.