20 YEARS
20 Heroes
A Celebration of Afghan Women
As CEO of a U.S. based NGO, it has been my honor to work with courageous Afghan women to cultivate peace through agriculture.

For the past two decades, we have transformed war-torn lands into sustainable fields of peace.

Together, may we plant the Roots of Peace in Afghanistan.

— Heidi Kuhn
Founder & CEO
Roots of Peace
We celebrate the Afghan women who have worked with us to cultivate peace through agriculture.

We honor their work in agribusiness, both as business leaders and tireless laborers.

We honor them as breadwinners, running farms when the male head of household is absent.

We honor their work in home gardens as they supplement their household income using the limited resources at hand.

We honor them as models of courage and inspiration, supporting an agrarian economy that could not function without them.
1. Livestock Farmer
2. Pistachio shellers
3. Poultry farmer
4. Raisin processors
Afghanistan is a nation dependent on agriculture for 80% of its economy. Women do the lion’s share of the labor, whether in home gardens, small jam-processing businesses or running farms when the male head of the family is absent.
5. Sesame Farmer
6. Greenhouse farmer
7. Business owner
8. Fruit sorters
When the Taliban took control of Afghanistan in 2021, Roots of Peace remained in the country, redoubling its support of the Afghan people, particularly the most vulnerable members of society, the Afghan women.
9. Apricot sorters
10. Saffron pickers
11. Business owner
12. Home pickle processor
Roots of Peace stands in solidarity with Afghan women as they continue to break ground on tough soil in 2023.
13. Vineyard workers
14. Saffron exporter
15. Business owner
16. Raisin sorters
17. Saffron sorter
18. Farm laborers
19. Saffron processors
20. Grape farmer
Proudly joining hands with Afghan women cultivating peace through agriculture for future generations to thrive...

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