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.

BASIC CRITERIA

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 wellbeing of our environment.
- Unless otherwise noted (see exceptions in the notable section at the bottom of this document) organizations that have one to two 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 FOOD 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
● Feeding America: Programs very briefly mention sustainability, food waste or gardening, but their mission is focused primarily on hunger relief and human health, without a significant programmatic connection to environmental health.

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
● Vote to End Hunger: Working to end hunger in the U.S. and around the world by 2030 by making hunger, poverty and opportunity a higher political priority, but with no mention of or significant 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
- World Food Programme: Delivers food assistance in emergencies and works with communities to improve nutrition and build resilience, but with **little-to-no focus on environmental issues or the wellbeing of the environment.**
**LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY**

Political or legal action used 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**
- Vote to End Hunger: Working to end hunger in the U.S. and around the world by 2030 by making hunger, poverty and opportunity a higher political priority, but with **no mention of or significant focus on, environmental issues**.

**LOCAL AGRICULTURE AND FOOD ACCESS**

Raising and providing access to sustainable, healthy foods from local sources in urban and rural communities

**Yes**
- Slow Food: Inspires individuals and communities to change the world through food that is good, clean and fair for all with a **significant programmatic focus on environmental issues, sustainability and ecological diversity**.

**No**
- Food Bank of the Rockies: Programs **very briefly mention sustainability, food waste or gardening**, but their mission is focused primarily on hunger relief and human health, without a significant programmatic connection to environmental health.
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 for 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.

PLEASE NOTE

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 “Earmarked Donations” in our Guidelines General Overview document.
**Drawdown**

**Food**

- 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 nonfarm employment.