

# 2025 Sponsorship Kit



Join us in connecting local agriculture and local people.



Valley Food Partnership connects local agriculture and local people across the Western Slope through education, access, technical assistance, and community building









#### **Our Values**

Accountability
Diversity
Growth Mindset
Relationships
Stewardship

Valley Food Partnership is sustaining the land, producers, and healthy communities through a thriving regional food system. As a valued resource to the agricultural community, producers are growing in their capacity to meet the needs and desires of informed consumers through access to food choice, while enjoying financial success. Innovative programs support this goal and connect healthy communities around a shared purpose.

Serving as a conduit for economic vitality and advocacy for local agriculture, Valley Food Partnership is known for its sophistication and impact. Leading the organization is committed, creative, and diverse staff and board of directors. Representative of the communities served, they partner with stakeholders to create a stable and agile food system providing abundant opportunities for all.

#### **Our Team**



SAMMIE ALTERI Marketing and Community Outreach Manager



**BOLDAN**Montrose Farmers
Market Manager



HALE
Cultivating Farmers and
Ranchers that Thrive
Program Manager



CHRISTINE
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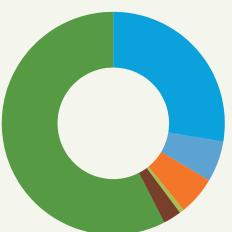
ANGELICA SANDOVAL Food Access Manager

## **OUR 2024 IMPACT**

## 310+

## Farmers and Ranchers Served

- Beginning Farmers and Ranchers
- BFR received high intensity support
  - Producers at the MFM
- LFRX Vendors
- Agricultores
- WCSHFF Forum

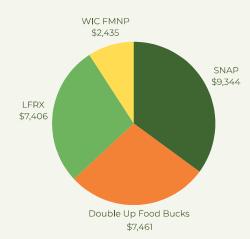


## \$488,138.90

# **Estimated Economic Multiplier** (calculated from the Local Food Impact Calculator)

\$26,646

**Food Access Sales** (Value of fresh, local food connected with low-income neighbors)



38

Educational events for farmers and ranchers



50,750+

Acres of farm land impacted



17

Community events promoting ag



53

Partner Organizations



650

Volunteer Hours



124

Neighbors impacted with cooking and nutrition classes











#### 2024 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Served 102 beginning farmers and ranchers

Fiscally supported 5 internships

Provided incubator plot for 2 beginning farmers

# MONTROSE FARMERS MARKET

Brought **\$344,000** to the local economy

Supported 50+ local, small business owners

28 vendors supported through VFP sales tax filing service



Facilitated 16 cooking/nutrition classes and 10 cooking demos in both English and Spanish

> Partnered with 16 referral agencies

Expanded classes to City of Delta



Over 320 attendees

36 educational offerings: keynotes, breakout sessions, panels, and demos

18 scholarships awarded to young and beginning farmers





Hosted 3 farm tours and local food promotion

**Outreach and** technical assistance to small food retailers to increase healthy food options for **SNAP** customers

# Sprout



3' No -Till Seed Drill

9 rentals

33.5 acres positively impacted with soil health practices

11 unique users

## **HOW YOUR SPONSORSHIP SUPPORTS...**



#### **FARMERS AND RANCHERS**

Your support enables us to invest in the people that power our local food system. Both legacy and beginning farmers and ranchers receive support in accessing multiple market channels, technical assistance to promote viable agribusinesses, regeneratively focused education, and access to diverse revenue streams through multiple voucher programs. Beginning farmers and ranchers are additionally provided holistic management curriculum, intern/mentorship, and land access. Lastly, your support helps provide social capital building opportunities for our often isolated population of producers.

#### COMMUNITY

Sponsorships help restore the vital connection between agriculture, food, environment, and health that will strengthen our community. When consumers spend their food dollars locally, that money increasingly multiplies within our community. Additionally, your support also helps ensure all members of our community have access to local, nutrient dense fruits and vegetables, supporting the overall health of the people in our community. Overall, when folks feel connected to their food, they feel a sense of place, which helps generate a sense of belonging.

### **NATURAL RESOURCES**

Valley Food Partnership strives to be good stewards of our land and natural resources. We promote regenerative agricultural practices whenever possible, make tools available for farmers and ranchers to promote soil health, and work to keep agricultural land in agricultural hands. Your support helps protect our agricultural heritage as well as the landscape we love.

## SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

#### Seed - \$250

- Social media promotion 1/year
- Newsletter Banner Promotion 1/quarter
- Hotlinked business logo on VFP's website
- Logo in annual report



#### **Sprout - \$500**

- Social media promotion 1/year
- Newsletter Banner Promotion 1/quarter
- Hotlinked business logo on VFP's website
- Logo in annual report
- EZCP tax credit



#### Flower - \$1,000

- Social media promotion 1/quarter
- Newsletter Banner Promotion 1/quarter
- Hotlinked business logo on VFP's website
- Logo in annual report
- EZCP tax credit



#### Fruit - \$2,500

- Social media promotion 1/quarter
- Newsletter Banner Promotion 1/quarter
- Print/Radio acknowledgement 1/year
- Hotlinked business logo on VFP's website
- Logo in annual report
- Featured at one event
- EZCP tax credit



## Farm - \$5,000

- Social media promotion 1/quarter
- Featured Sponsor story in annual report, email newsletter, on website, and social media
- Newsletter Banner Promotion 1/quarter
- Print/Radio acknowledgement 1/year
- Hotlinked business logo on VFP's website
- Featured at two events
- EZCP tax credit



### **2024 Marketing Reach**

#### Website

9,700 visits

7,900 unique visitors

17,000 page views

#### Social Media

31,500 unique reaches

2,400 followers

#### Newsletter

600+ unique subscribers

If you do not see a package to meet your needs, please reach out to Penelope Powell at 970-249-0705, penelope@valleyfoodpartnership.org



Company Name
please provide name exactly as you would like to be recognized
We have previously sponsored and our logo hasn't changed
Mailing Address
Maining Address
Contact Name
Contact Phone
Email
Please provide the email for whom we should contact about sponsorships as needed
Website
Logo on VFP website will link directly to this site

Sponsorship Level **FARM** \$5000

**FRUIT** \$2500

FLOWER \$1000

\$PROUT

**SEED** \$250

#### **Payment Method:**

**Check**: Please make check payable to Valley Food Partnership and mail to:

Valley Food Partnership PO Box 3152 Montrose, CO 81402 **Credit Card:** Use QR code to pay online, visit www.valleyfoodpartnership.org, or call 970-249-0705.

Please note VFP incurs fees for this payment method.



If your contribution qualifies for the EZCP Tax Credit, please send us your EIN # or the last 4 difits of your Social Security # (See next page for more information)



# INVEST IN VALLEY FOOD PARTNERSHIP AND SAVE ON YOUR TAXES!

Valley Food Partnership is part of the Region 10 Enterprise Zone. This allows you to support aspiring and existing regional, small to medium-sized agriculture and local food-based businesses with education; mentorship/internship; land access; promotion; a marketplace to connect directly with consumers; and growth of sales through increasing produce purchasing power for individuals and families who are experiencing food insecurity. Your support in this will also allow you to receive a substantial benefit: up to a 25% tax credit above and beyond the existing charitable tax deductions through the State of Colorado and the Federal Government. This applies to all taxpayers, whether you itemize or not.

The minimum donation to VFP that can be made through the Enterprise Zone is \$250 per year.

ENTERPRISE ZONE: Build Up Savings!	With Tax Credit	Without Tax Credit
Donation Amount	\$1000	\$1000
Est. Federal tax savings (35% tax bracket)	350	350
Est. State tax savings (4.63% tax bracket)	46	46
State Enterprise Zone tax credit	250	0
Total tax savings	646	396
Net cost of contribution	\$354	\$604

Make your donation
Make your Donation to
the Contribution Project's
Organization.

Memo that it is EZ

In the memo section of the check note that it is going to the EZCP plus the last 4 of your SSN or full business EIN

No. 1954

Pay to the order of Valley Food Partnership \$ 250.00

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Dollars

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Your donation is tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. Please check with your tax advisor to verify you are receiving the appropriate tax credit allowed. (Note: Enterprise Zone tax credits for gifts of securities are 12.5% rather than 25% as with cash gift.)

After Processing,
the Enterprise Zone
Administrator at Region 10
will approve your
contribution and a certificate
will be sent via email to you
or the VFP project contact.

If it is an In-Kind contribution, please include a receipt and/or verification of value.