

ENVISIONING A THRIVING & RESILIENT FOOD SYSTEM IN GOLDEN & AREA A

AGENDA

1. welcome & call to order 2. introductions 3. report from our board chair & the year in review 4. report from our treasurer 5.by-law amendment 6. board of directors role appointments 7. farmers market advisory committee appointments 8. looking ahead - report from our executive director 9. adjourn





MEET THE TEAM







Chair Lindsay Mitchell

Vice Chair Laura Baer

Treasurer **Diana Taufer**



Director **Daniel Geddes**



Director **Will Cunningham**



Executive Director **Chrystel Vultier**



Director **Rosanna Nicol**



Market Manager Megan Grant

HEARTFELT THANKS TO





Director **Karen Temple-Beamish** *Secretary* Liz Lavin







Market Manager Megan Grant

OUR PARTNERS



Columbia Basin







KICKINGHORSECULTURE Golden and District Arts Council since 1970







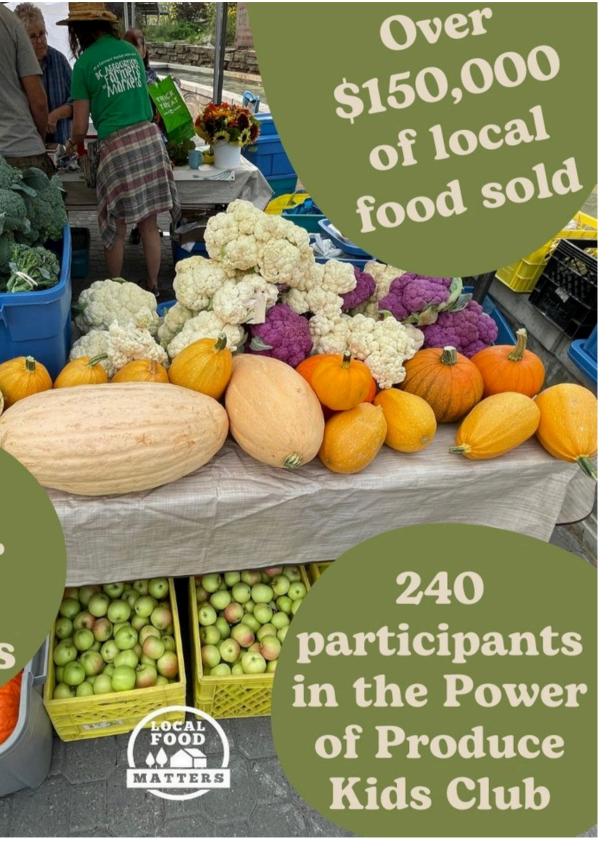






- attended the BCAFM conference
- engaged MarketWurks software management program
- invested in branding, new logo & website
- invested in new signage
- invested in professional photography
- gathered visitor and vendor data
- KHC sponsored musicians





Power of Produce - Kids Club

- launched a kids food and financial literacy program at summer market
- total 241 participants
- distributed \$700 of POP Tokens for kids to purchase produce at the market
- funded by community

sponsors







Glean Golden - Fruit Harvest Program

- purchased harvesting equipment
- Shared Use Agreement with GFB for EV Cargo Van
- expanded registry and volunteer base
- successfully piloted apple chip program with Golden Secondary School



2500 lbs of apples gleaned



52 trees registered

32 volunteer pickers



3001bs made into apple chips



Growers Collective

- developed a curated list of resources for new growers
- hosted consignment stall for new growers at summer market with resources to support market selling
- further exploring how we may support producers and increase access to local food

\$1800 in micro farm produce distributed



9 new, aspiring, micro & homestead growers connected

GROWERS COLLECTIVE

BACKYARD VEGGIES ON CONSIGNMENT

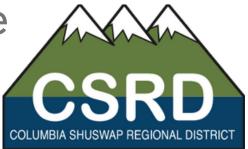
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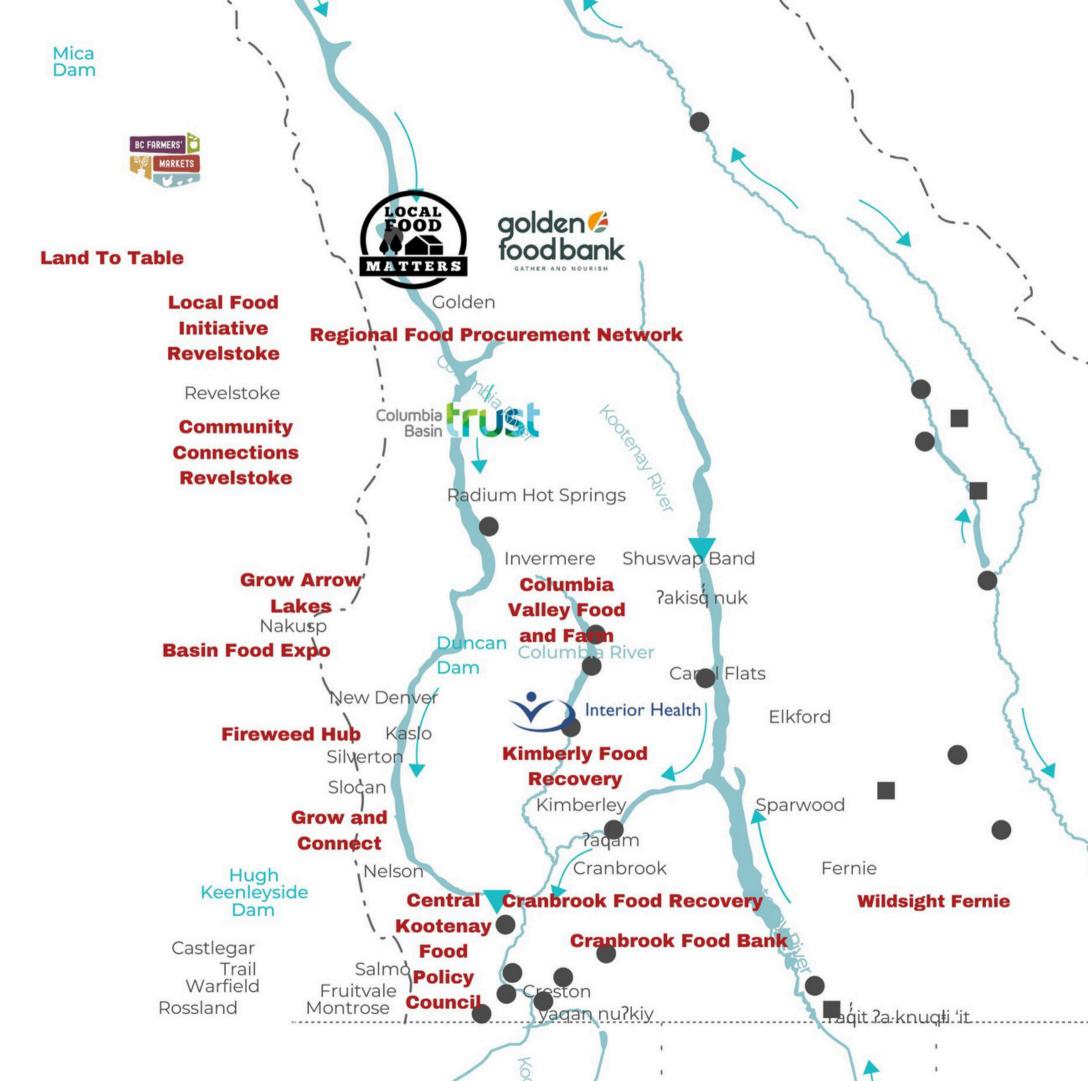
Growers Resources webpage developed

Compost Feasibilty Study

- examined feasibility of a commercial sector compost collection program
- engaged major waste producers to determine barriers
- Convened a Working Group of major partners
- Produced a Compost Project Report
- pending update to CSRD Waste Management Plan including the future of the Golden Landfill site
- recommendation to explore partnership with RDEK Invermere facility for Golden collection program







Growing the Local Food Network

- building relationships
- partnering and collaborating
- regional solutions to food security



TREASURERS REPORT

- core funding from local government
- sponsorships from the community
- grant funding to support program start up
- market revenue increased representing a growth in vendor attendance
- total income of \$106,524
 up from \$12,765 in 2023

- investment in market infrastructure
- new office space
- investment in gleaning equipment and storage
- building adminstrative and operational capacity
- investment into regional collaborations
- deferred income of \$42,437 carrying us into 2025

PROPOSED BY-LAW AMMENDMENTS

6.4 At each annual general meeting, the voting members entitled to vote for the election or appointment of directors must elect or appoint the Board. Voting must be by a show of hands, an oral vote or another method that adequately discloses the intention of the voting members. The chair of a general meeting must announce the outcome of each vote and that outcome must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

6.5 Directors may be elected for terms that are either one (1) or two (2) years

6.6 The Board may, at any time, appoint a member as a director to fill a vacancy that arises on the Board as a result of the resignation, death, or incapacity of a director during the director's term of office.

6.7 Directors may serve a maximum of 10 years. A person who has served ten consecutive years may be appointed again after 1 year has lapsed

6.8 The Board may remove a
 Director from Office with a 2/3
 a majority vote from the Directors

6.9 The quorum for the transaction of business at a Directors meeting is the majority of the Directors.

BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS



Board of Directors

- Diana Taufer Secretary
- Rosanna Nicol Treasurer





Farmers Market Advisory Committee Amélie Goulet- Bouchet



2025 Directional Priorities

We believe our primary role currently is to identify needs within the local food system and find creative and collaborative solutions to fill gaps that increase production, ease of access and consumption of local food. For the coming year our priorities will focus on:

- Increasing numbers and volumes at the Farmers Market.
- Leveraging the Local Food Production Assessment work to advocate and inform about the needs within the local food system.
- Positioning Golden as a user and contributor within the regional food system as a key component of our local food resiliency.
- Launching a healthy local food meal in the schools.
- Tracking and solutioning the key gap of cold storage.
- Addressing longer-term financial and HR sustainability needs.
- Exploring revenue generating ideas

Golden Grown -Local Food Production Assessment

- Mapping food assets
- quantifying local food production
- determining barriers
- examining local food access
 & consumption
- Convening Farmer's Table
- Engaging food sector actors
- January September





Waste Reco

Food Production

THE FOOD SYSTEM

Retail & Markel

Farmers' Round Table

Tues Feb 25 11:30-4pm Golden Civic Center

- Calling all farmers, ranchers, and homesteaders - we want to hear from you!
- Join us to discuss local food production: the opportunities, the barriers, and what our community should be investing in
- lunch and refreshments provided

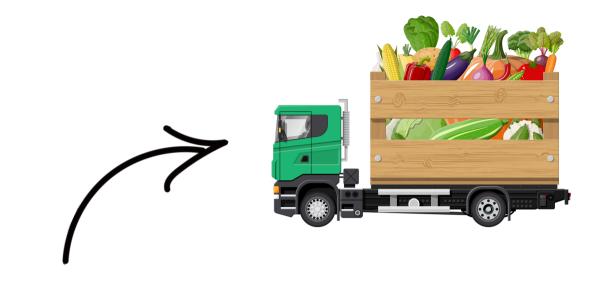




Sustainable Funding Plan & Business Plan Development

- Consultancy through CBT Non-Profit Advisory Program
- funding scenarios for long term operational sustainability
- business plan for a local food Aggrigation & Distribution Hub
- including cold-storage facility
- and distribution program

















School Meal Program

- early stages of a partnership with local school district SD6
- and a local chef
- to pilot a meal program featuring local ingredients providing nutritious, seasonal and local meals to school children in Golden





UP NEXT: 'COMMON GROUND'