OPEN FOOD NETWORK AUSTRALIA

ANNUAL REPORT 2023

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Open Food Network acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples on the unceded lands and waters across Australia.

We pay our respects to Elders, past and present, honouring their rich cultures, traditions and custodianship that have nourished communities and regenerated landscapes for over 65,000 years.

Open Food Network is committed to listening, learning and standing with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as we strive to transform food systems.

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Open Food Network Australia is a not-for-profit working toward transforming food systems.

We have spent the last decade building the tools and resources needed to create new food systems that are fair, local, and transparent.

We are part of a global community driving local scale change that activates values-based food supply networks through our open source software platform.

We're a resilient community, passionate about doing everything we can to build new, fairer food systems.

OUR VISION

A world where fair, open food and farming networks (re)connect people and regenerate the earth.

OUR MISSION

Make regenerative food more accessible through open and shared digital infrastructure for food supply networks; and co-create and activate short food supply chains to enable resilient community food systems.

How We Respond to the Challenges

1.

Building technology for food systems

Our e-commerce platform and other software products, services and integrations enable unique collaboration across short supply chains, increasing users' viability.

2.

Empowering enterprises

We empower community food enterprises through knowledge, skills, learning networks, and capacity building to increase their viability and impact.

3.

Short supply chains

We co-create & build collaborative short supply chains that enable access to food with dignity, resilient regional economies, and agroecological practices on farms.

4.

Envision and grow better food systems

We work with communities and partners to envision better food systems, attract the people and investment to make them happen, and communicate their potential to inspire others.

5.

Create a global commons

We work with our global network of Open Food Network partners to build shared tools and resources that reduce the cost of development for all.

Our Strategic Directions (2022-25)

DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE

We co-create & build collaborative short supply chains that enable access to food with dignity, resilient regional economies, and agroecological farming

We identify and develop tech solutions to maximise benefits for and impact of regenerative farmers and community food enterprises.

We build food projects with governments and communities that demonstrate the impact of investment in short food supply chains.

CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

We influence and set the agenda for future investment in food systems by fostering strategic partnerships and long term relationships which unlock funding.

We do this by unlocking value from philanthropy and government for community food enterprises and the collaborative solutions that are needed to support them.

BUILDING AN INSPIRING ORGANISATION

We maximise the capacity of our people and business to effect positive change in Australia and as part of the 'Global Commons'.

Our objectives are to grow food system leaders and strengthen our leadership capacity; and to operate as a financially viable organisation.

Our Values

ECOSYSTEMS

We support enterprises moving to regenerative forms of agriculture, that (re)build resilient natural systems for future generations.

KINDNESS

We are building a people system. Care and empathy for each other lie at its heart; celebrating respect, solidarity, diversity and inclusivity.

TRANSPARENCY

We believe in openness; both in the platform we are building and the organisation that supports it.

EMPOWERMENT

Our project creates conditions to empower people to create the food systems that work for them.

RELATIONSHIPS

We put great value on the interconnections between people; and between people and all other beings.

SUBSIDIARITY

We believe that decisions are most effective when they are made at the most local level possible.

CONSTANT EMERGENCE

We live in a perpetually evolving world, which requires constant agility, organic growth and letting go.

GLOBAL COMMONS

Everyone in the community co-creates and shares responsibility for our global commons.

SYSTEMIC CHANGE

We believe in a global transition that addresses the root causes of current ills, not its symptoms.

OUR BOARD

ELI COURT

BOARD DIRECTOR - COMMUNICATIONS

HELEN ALLARD

BOARD DIRECTOR - LEGAL

LARA DOUGLAS

BOARD DIRECTOR - FINANCE

KIRSTEN LARSEN

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - CO-FOUNDER

MATT SHANKS

BOARD DIRECTOR - TECHNOLOGY

SARINA KILHAM

BOARD DIRECTOR - FOOD SYSTEMS

SERENITY HILL

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - CO-FOUNDER

A Message from the Board

This year has been marked by significant developments and projects for Open Food Network Australia, demonstrating our sustained commitment to driving positive change within food systems.

Our three strategic directions have continued to guide our initiatives, projects, and collaborations. These directions reflect our dedication to fostering more equitable and regenerative food systems through systems change and an enabling environment at all levels; local, state and national. We are incredibly proud of the OFN Australia team as they continue to work towards this systemic change and build an inspiring organisation that grows our next generation of food systems leaders.

Ongoing challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, the rising cost of living and extreme weather events associated with climate change demonstrate an urgent need for change. Our role as the 'mycelium' of the food system network is to connect, facilitate and support to empower local initiatives, enabling effective responses to the unique needs of their communities. As always, we continue to be inspired by the resilience, adaptability and innovation of the many community food enterprises and farmers we collaborate with.

A primary focus for Open Food Network this year has been to continue advocating for and increasing the visibility of the needs and significant value of the community food enterprise sector. Additionally, we have been increasing our involvement in supporting improved food equity. Responding to on-ground needs and working with partners to deliver practical solutions, we have been designing for impact.

We look forward to the year ahead with several multi-year projects aimed at creating a positive impact towards food equity and food and farming that supports health for people and the planet.

We would like to thank our dedicated team, funders, partners, and supporters. Through collaboration and shared dedication, the network contributes to our collective growth, innovation, and leadership in strengthening more resilient future food systems and communities.

OUR TEAM

AMIDA CUMMING

SENIOR PROJECT COORDINATOR

BRAULIO DESENTIS

OPERATIONS MANAGER

DAVID COOK

FULLSTACK ENGINEER

GAETAN CRAIG-RIOU

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KIRSTEN LARSEN

FOOD SYSTEMS SPECIALIST

MAIKEL LINKE

LEAD ENGINEER

PRUE ROTHWELL

PROJECT MANAGER - FOOD SYSTEMS

SERENITY HILL

FOOD SYSTEMS SPECIALIST

TANYA TRAN

HEAD OF OPERATIONS

SOPHIA CHRISTOE

PROJECT MANAGER - FOOD SYSTEMS

SOFTWARE & TECH SOLUTIONS

OUR IMPACT GLOBALLY

Open Food Network Australia contributes to the Global Commons that is powering more than 15 Open Food Network instances around the world.

We drive global change at a local scale through embedding subsidiarity into our operating framework - all of our work can be replicated by anyone around the world, and approximately 10% of our Australian revenue is channelled into the Global Commons, including software development, staffing, shared resources, infrastructure and tools.

OUR GLOBAL PRODUCT VISION

Make regenerative food more accessible through open and shared digital infrastructure for food supply networks. Our flagship platform provides public infrastructure that facilitates a ‘connecting layer’ for diverse and transparent online food supply networks.

OUR GLOBAL STRATEGIC DIRECTION

Provide best-in-class software solutions, purpose-built for regenerative food systems; and build an organisation that supports our values-based work and the people doing it.

15+
COUNTRIES

$17.6M
TRANSACTIONS

228,000
ORDERS

The Open Food Network software platform has experienced significant growth and changes over the years, including regular updates, new features and an overhaul of our API.

More recently we launched Open Food Ecosystem, a suite of tech solutions designed to transform the efficiency of local food enterprises with integrations and tools that connect to the Open Food Network platform and beyond.

Continual optimisation

Along with bug fixes and patches, major improvements to our software include:

- Split checkout
- Basic White Label
- Introduction of vouchers; add new tax reports
- API integration with the Data Food Consortium standard

Technology consulting - CERES Fair Food

We are continuing to provide product management and development support for CERES Fair Food's organic grocery delivery service, e-commerce solution and website. Key developments have included:

- Redesign of website and several updates to Wordpress.
- Change ordering cut-off time for greater customer convenience.
- Packing sheets redesign to be attractive and reduce packing errors.
- Assisting with SEO project.
- Investigate and improve payment gateway stability.
- Server upgrades.
- Many tweaks and enhancements to improve shopping experiences.
- Continual infrastructure optimisation increasing speed and uptime.
- Removal of unnecessary features to clear up technical debt, making room for future innovation.

2022-23 PUBLISHED PROJECTS

ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS TO FARM BUSINESS OWNERSHIP BEYOND INHERITANCE

FOOD WITH DIGNITY

RAPID NEEDS & VALUE ASSESSMENT OF THE COMMUNITY FOOD ENTERPRISE SECTOR IN VICTORIA

SUSTAINING LAND SUSTAINING PEOPLE IN NILLUMBIK

OPEN FOOD ECOSYSTEM

ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS TO FARM BUSINESS OWNERSHIP BEYOND INHERITANCE

FUNDER:
AGRICULTURE VICTORIA

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:
DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE & CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

TIMEFRAME:
APRIL 2022 - FEBRUARY 2023

This research report, commissioned by Agriculture Victoria, dives deep into models of farm business ownership that extend beyond traditional land and business inheritance. We explored five approaches, identifying the barriers and enablers to their successful implementation. These findings provide valuable insights into government policies that can pave the way to support new and young farmers.

Alternative Farming Models & Enablers:

LAND LEASING
Longer-term leases, coupled with legal guidance and matchmaking mechanisms, can significantly ease access to agricultural land for new entrants. We've identified strategies to streamline legislation and forge connections, to help new farmers pave the way to securing land.

SHARE-FARMING
Share-farming is as a model bridging the gap between young and ageing farmers. By fostering networking, knowledge exchange, and seamless succession planning, this approach creates opportunities for all.

CO-OPERATIVES
By fostering a collaborative spirit, co-operatives empower farmers to join forces, sharing to achieve unparalleled success. We have examined strategies to promote and enrich these co-operative endeavours.

ENABLING ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT
Philanthropic investments could bolster new farmers. Our research presents arguments for government support to implement and incentivise agricultural trusts and covenants.

ENTERPRISE SUPPORT
Increased support and tailored programs are critical factors to ensure farmers feel empowered in effective management. Mentorships and apprenticeships play a role in nurturing the skills and knowledge required for a successful industry.

Recommendations for Government Action:

At the forefront, we emphasise the need for national leadership to address the multifaceted barriers impeding progress. Enhanced access to finance emerges as an imperative, along with a call for appropriate regulation that expands the definition of new and young farmers.

Additionally, we underscore the importance of promoting early exit planning for ageing farmers to ensure a seamless transition for all stakeholders involved and encompassing tax breaks and government-backed loans to facilitate land purchase and investment.

READ THE FULL REPORT

FOOD WITH DIGNITY

FUNDER:
LORD MAYOR'S CHARITABLE FOUNDATION (LMCF)

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:
DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE & CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

TIMEFRAME:
AUGUST 2022 - JUNE 2023

With the support of the LMCF, our Food with Dignity through Community Food Enterprises project saw us work with Community Food Enterprises (CFEs) to improve their ability to provide dignified food access. By conducting needs assessments and exploring funding mechanisms like a voucher scheme, we are actively helping CFEs fulfil their community-serving mission.

Insights:

- On average, 33% of households in Victoria and nationally fall into the second and lowest income quintiles.
- Due to rising interest rates and housing expenses, consumers are paying higher prices for food despite not purchasing more.
- Income explains 93.4% of the variation in food spending.
- Small food hubs and organic shops that cover the true costs of providing ecologically sound food are 160-170% more expensive than conventional food from large retailers.

Key findings:

- New immigrants are contributing to the cultural diversity within the communities and each CFEs community has unique access needs influenced by diverse cultural backgrounds.
- Analysing data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics helped identify various community segments based on income, demographics, cultural ancestry, language, work, travel, and more.
- Building and maintaining relationships with community group representatives is crucial for gaining insights into specific community groups.
- Each community food enterprise needs to respond to the unique access needs of their communities.

Recommendations

- Design/pilot a “food with dignity” voucher fund for the Community Food Enterprise sector, to increase access to food for low income households.
- Fund support to CFEs to build their capacity to provide food with dignity.
- Conduct further research and development of models that inform the true costs/benefits of regenerative food vs conventional food, to inform operational subsidies along the supply chain.
- Advocate for funding/subsidies for regenerative producers and supply chain actors consistent with these true costs/benefits.

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RAPID NEEDS & VALUE ASSESSMENT OF THE COMMUNITY FOOD ENTERPRISE SECTOR IN VICTORIA

FUNDER:
LORD MAYOR'S CHARITABLE FOUNDATION (LMCF) & SUSTAINABLE TABLE (ST)

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:
DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE & CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

TIMEFRAME:
MARCH - JULY 2023

Community Food Enterprises (CFEs) are vital for a healthy, sustainable, regenerative, and just food system.

In Victoria, these enterprises are recognised and supported as part of a growing food ecosystem. However, the Australian CFE sector faces significant challenges, such as lower sales, extreme weather events, limited funding opportunities, and exhausted volunteers, leading to closures and resource limitations.

Thanks to funding from the LMCF and ST, we collaborated with multiple CFEs across Victoria to rapidly assess needs and gather evidence of the public value they provide.

Our report identifies the public good outcomes, emphasising the crucial role of CFEs as community centres that foster strong connections and engage in diverse activities.

We found that CFEs acknowledge food as a catalyst for community gathering, learning, connection, and growth. To help funders understand their role and benefits as local community centres, as well as the distinct social and environmental advantages derived from their involvement in food trade and supply, CFEs must effectively articulate their value. This report showcases prototype report cards as a tool to communicate this value.

Identified Public Good Outcomes:

SOCIAL CONNECTION AND ENGAGEMENT
CFEs are community hubs that foster social connection and engagement through diverse programs. As one example of social engagement, Merri Food Hub exemplifies this by offering a range of activities such as food processing, aggregation, wholesale, a market stall, and community services.

PARTNERSHIPS
CFEs benefit from various mutually advantageous partnerships with like-minded community organisations and businesses. These partnerships involve affordable rent arrangements, shared infrastructure and resources, and grants from local government.

FOOD ACCESS
CFEs prioritise enhancing food access and affordability despite limited resources. They are exploring approaches to address food access and equity. However, there is untapped potential for CFEs to reach and serve more of their community by securing external funding and support.

REGIONAL RELEVANCE
Each CFE operates within a distinct geographical context. The report acknowledges that CFEs adapt to local needs, varying across the state. For example, Merri Food Hub serves a low socio-economic metropolitan suburb, while Bright Food Coop is located in an affluent rural town.

ENTERPRISE INCUBATORS
CFEs serve as enterprise incubators on multiple levels. Within the sector, there is a collaborative culture, with shared knowledge and support among operators.

ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES
Participating CFEs strongly supported sustainable practices and prioritised minimising their environmental impact while promoting circular economy functions.

VALUES BASED SUPPLY CHAINS
As discussed in Sustainable Table's "Regenerative Investment in Food and Farming report" values aligned enterprises working together across the supply chain can benefit each other and make it easier to achieve the social and environmental objectives they share toward building a better food system in their region.

"Veggie boxes are offered to those who volunteer, with many people improving their food security each week in this way, throughout the history of the Hub. There have also been two projects conducted with local food relief organisations, providing 'voucherless vouchers', giving access to weekly shopping for families. The Hub community is deeply committed to doing more of this food justice work, but hasn't been able to accumulate the funds to do so."

BAW BAW FOOD HUB

"I believe in the power of short supply chains, community resilience, and increased nutritional value in local food. Bright Food Co-op shares these values in promoting zero waste, local sourcing, and chemical-free practices. It stands in contrast to the conventional supermarket system, where food is often treated with chemicals unknown to the consumer, transported over long distances, and wrapped in plastic."

JULIE SAVAGE,
LOMANDRA FARM

CFEs as community food centres

CFEs play a pivotal role in building strong communities through prioritising connections and engaging in diverse activities. Their dedication to community development fosters meaningful relationships, shared values, and environmental consciousness.

By spearheading initiatives and creating opportunities for connection and collaboration, CFEs contribute to a sense of belonging, wellbeing, and resilience in communities.

A key finding of this research is that CFEs acknowledge food as a element for community gathering, learning, connection, and growth.

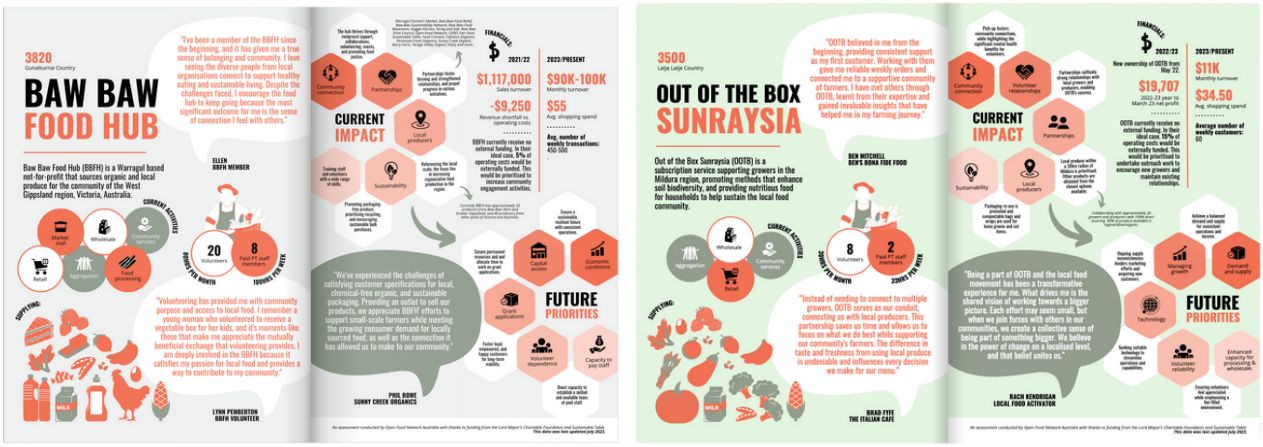
To assist funders it is critical that CFEs can identify and articulate their role and benefits as local community food centres, together with the distinct social and environmental benefits derived from their role in the trade and supply of food.

The report cards prototyped and showcased in this report are one tool that can be used to assist with this communication of value.

Impact Report Cards:

The impact report cards were created through a multi-stage process that involved inviting CFEs to participate, collecting data through online questionnaires and interviews with CFE beneficiaries, and analysing the data using a mixed methods approach.

The methodology ensured representation of diverse CFE types and scales, and the analysis aimed to demonstrate the impact and potential of CFEs at individual and sector levels.



E.g. Baw Baw Food Hub and Out of the Box Sunraysia's Impact Report Cards. Read the full report to view all.

Recommendations:

1. Develop impact report cards for more CFEs.

2. Provide dedicated CFE program funding.

3. Subsidise the food supply functions of CFEs.

4. Encourage collaboration and synergy between different CFEs within a values-based supply network.

5. Provide CFEs with tailored one-on-one capacity building support to address the specific needs of CFEs (examples here).

6. Develop and pilot a specialised fund to increase CFEs' ability to serve low-income households.

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SUSTAINING LAND SUSTAINING PEOPLE IN NILLUMBIK

FUNDER:
NILLUMBIK SHIRE COUNCIL

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:
DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE & CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

TIMEFRAME:
JANUARY 2022 - FEBRUARY 2023

A place-based project in a peri-urban community in Victoria, Australia. Open Food Network Australia and Fair Share Fare partnered with Nillumbik Shire Council with funding the Council received from the National Landcare Smart Farms program.

The project highlights several incredible community-led initiatives and explores how people can age well in place while continuing to manage land sustainably.

Through co-design, we engaged the community to identify barriers and opportunities for land management, sustainable agriculture, and staying on the land.

By fostering collaborative problem-solving, the project tested community-led solutions; involving those most affected increases community buy-in and on-the-ground change.

This project underscored the importance of community-led approaches with social and ecological health at its core. By supporting aging landholders to stay on the land, it aimed to enhance the Nillumbik food system while addressing land management challenges.

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OPEN FOOD ECOSYSTEM

FUNDER:
SUSTAINABLE TABLE

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:
DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE

TIMEFRAME:
APRIL 2022 - MARCH 2023

A suite of tech solutions designed to transform the efficiency of local food enterprises with integrations and tools that connect to the Open Food Network platform and beyond.

Simplifying operations and promoting collaboration through comprehensive, automated, all-in-one dashboards and individual integrations tailored to improve day-to-day workflows.

Dashboards

Custom-built dashboard created to simplify admin tasks and streamline operations with one-stop access to orders, customers, and products. Reducing manual processes and increasing real-time data analysis, sales insights, and hassle-free supplier payments and GST calculations.

ORDERS DASHBOARD

Providing a comprehensive view of operations, streamlining workflows, and managing multiple locations or shopfronts through orders dashboards, designed for hubs and larger enterprises looking to maximise their efficiency.

PRODUCT DASHBOARD

Simplifying management with automated and centralised product dashboards in Airtable. Easily updating product listings, keeping track of product histories, and importing new product data from multiple sources, all in one place.

Integrations

Improving day-to-day operations and streamlining workflows with seamless integration tools that can be introduced into existing systems to manage and track orders, customers, and products in real-time.

Customer Management Integrations:

- Add new customer to Mailchimp
- Add new customer to SMS app
- Send pickup reminder SMS to customers
- View customer snapshot
- Abandoned cart reminder email

Producer and Product Management Integrations:

- Automate creation of shopper invoices in Xero
- Bulk update products using upload CSV generated from current product list
- Email stock levels report
- Record and track producer registration
- Email order totals report for single or multiple shopfronts to producers

VIEW WEBPAGE

CURRENT PROJECTS

REGENERATIVE PRODUCE DISCOVERY PORTAL

MERRI-BEK FOOD LEADERSHIP ACTION GROUP (FLAG)

REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE POLICY ADVOCACY STRATEGY

UPCOMING: A FOOD VOUCHER & FUND PILOT PROGRAM

REGENERATIVE PRODUCE DISCOVERY PORTAL

FUNDER:
MACDOCH FOUNDATION

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:
DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE & CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

TIMEFRAME:
FEBRUARY 2023 - APRIL 2024

Open Food Network is collaborating with a trusted network of partners to build a Regenerative Produce Discovery Portal.

Regenerative agriculture includes a range of perspectives, approaches and methods for practises and ecological outcome assessment. This Portal aims to provide clarity, assurance and visibility of the Australian sector, while simplifying how buyers can discover regenerative produce and producers.

The Portal pilot will launch in April 2024.

READ MORE

MERRI-BEK FOOD
LEADERSHIP ACTION GROUP (FLAG)

FUNDER:
MERRI-BEK CITY COUNCIL

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:
DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE & CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

TIMEFRAME:
TO DECEMBER 2024

We have been working with the Merri-bek City Council and the local community on this project across several years. Collaborative governance mechanisms have been co-designed and built to foster an innovative and truly community-led food system transformation. Over the past year, the initiative has helped the Food Leadership Action Group (FLAG) to facilitate funding for two local food projects.

Further progress includes appointing and supporting a Community Coordinator to assist the FLAG on-the-ground, with action and facilitation of partnerships and community engagement. This project seeks to unites local food system stakeholders, harnessing their collective influence to drive meaningful change and improve food security for the contexts of the Merri-bek community.

READ MORE

REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE POLICY ADVOCACY STRATEGY

FUNDER:
REBECCA GORMAN & WILLIAM BUCKLAND FOUNDATION

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:
DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE & CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

TIMEFRAME:
JULY 2023 - APRIL 2024

The project aims to highlight and advocate for regenerative agriculture as a holistic approach to tackling the challenges of climate change.

This is being considered at the Federal Government policy level. The project is about working out how stakeholders might best focus collaborative effort to influence Federal Government Policy.

The project has three key components, including: an updated scientific literature review of the evidence for regenerative agriculture, a policy scan to identify future opportunities/options, and stakeholder engagement and input for an advocacy strategy.

These elements will serve the foundation for developing an advocacy strategy promoting regenerative agriculture on a National scale.

The project is being driven by a tight and effective team made up of external contractor Maggie Wood, Rebecca Gorman and Amida Cumming and Serenity Hill from Open Food Network.

FOOD VOUCHER & FUND PILOT PROGRAM

FUNDER:
CITI FOUNDATION

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:
DEMONSTRATING SYSTEMS CHANGE & CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

TIMEFRAME:
OCTOBER 2023 - 2025

Open Food Network Australia is a proud recipient of the Citi Foundation's Global Innovation Challenge which is providing $25 million to 50 community organisations to build innovative solutions that improve food security.

Our project builds on a previous project funded by Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation and will establishAustralia's first food subsidy fund to be implemented alongside a voucher program to increase access to food for diverse and disadvantaged communities, with the pilot starting in Victoria.

We will be working in close partnership with Sustainable Table and several Community Food Enterprises across the State and look forward to reporting on our progress.

Open Food Network (OFN) is committed to transparency, collaboration, and systems-changing work and is always striving to get the best outcome - as a result, they are constantly challenging the status quo - and themselves. As a Sustainable Table Grantee and a partner in the journey towards a regenerative and fair food and farming system, OFN is fantastic to work with.

SUSTAINABLE TABLE

PARTNERS & COLLABORATORS

It is always a pleasure to work with the Open Food Network team. They demonstrate such dedication, rigour and authenticity.

FAIR SHARE FARE

We collaborate with a diverse range of partners, supporters and collaborators. These relationships reflect the focus on our strategic directions to drive systems change and create an enabling environment for better food systems.

CREDENTIALS:

Social Traders CERTIFIED SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

Business for good

VALIDATED ORGANIZATION CAF International GLOBAL CHARITY DATABASE

CONTRIBUTIONS:

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SUSTAINABLE TABLE

CERES

MACDOCH FOUNDATION

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AGRICULTURE VICTORIA

Merri-bek City Council

THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

STREAT

VicHealth

Australian Organic

SoilsforLife

AUSTRALIAN HOLISTIC MANAGEMENT CO-OPERATIVE

Southern Cross University

RegenerativeAg ALLIANCE Resilience through farming together

SXC Southern Cross Certified

VICTORIA State Government

Farmer's Footprint AUSTRALIA

Regen Farmers Mutual

THE WILLIAM BUCKLAND FOUNDATION WBF

HARCOURT ORGANIC FARMING CO-OP

fair share fare

Nillumbik The Green Wedge Shire

AUSTRALIAN FOOD SOVEREIGNTY ALLIANCE

FINANCIALS

Open Food Web Foundation Limited
ABN 84 160 582 696

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 JUNE 2023
TAKEN FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

	Note	2023 $	2022 $
CURRENT ASSETS			
Receivables	2	76,836	61,169
Cash assets	3	239,736	349,457
Other assets	4	5,181	2,215
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		**321,753**	**412,841**
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CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	5	25	2,579
Provisions	6	29,771	24,463
Personnel-related items	7	13,503	38,881
Tax liabilities	8	5,823	18,513
Other current liabilities	9	4,153	78,564
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		**53,275**	**163,000**
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provisions	6	28,339	28,792
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		**28,339**	**28,792**
TOTAL LIABILITIES		**81,614**	**191,792**
NET ASSETS		**240,139**	**221,049**
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus		240,139	221,049
TOTAL EQUITY		**240,139**	**221,049**

THESE STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

Open Food Web Foundation Limited
ABN 84 160 582 696

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023
TAKEN FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

	2023 $	2022 $
SALES		
Software Services (Non-OFN)	133,195	129,927
OFN Services	262,276	173,015
Platform fees	19,150	25,173
Open Road User Contributions	176	40,198
Other customer revenue	0	540
Government grants	108,078	892,435
Non-government grants and donations	259,917	129,777
	782,792	1,391,065
GROSS SURPLUS FROM TRADING	**782,792**	**1,391,065**
INCOME		
Donations received	40,500	0
Recoupments	1,279	0
Interest received	276	377
Interest received - non-bank	0	1,637
	42,055	**2,014**
EXPENDITURE		
Accounting and audit fees	4,980	11,000
Accrued Annual leave	5,308	8,108
Accrued Long service leave	(452)	22,745
Advertising and marketing	1,766	52
Bad debt expenses	1,436	51,105
Contractors and consultants	10,320	12,935
Donations and grants	4,816	0
IT licenses & subscriptions	14,923	32,378
Information resources	1,642	0
Insurance	4,330	3,769
Motor Vehicle allowances paid	5,394	1,049
Motor vehicle expenses	2,514	87,545
Other expenses	1,383	5,168
Partner and program support	8,584	9,470
Professional development	1,782	2,673
Recruitment expenses	672	750

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TRADING, PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023
TAKEN FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

	2023 $	2022 $
Rental expenses	1,127	2,305
Superannuation	68,849	104,948
Travel	2,669	192
Wages	661,639	1,062,714
Workcover	2,075	3,160
	805,757	1,422,066
SURPLUS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE INCOME TAX	**19,090**	**(28,986)**
Retained surplus at the beginning of the financial year	221,049	250,035
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION	**240,139**	**221,049**

THESE STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

AS AT 30 JUNE 2023
TAKEN FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

	2023 $	2022 $
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year	**221,049**	**250,035**
Surplus attributable to members	19,090	(28,986)
Total equity at the end of the financial year	**240,139**	**221,049**

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