STAND WITH SMALL-SCALE FARMERS

Small farmers and pastoralists are endangered and vulnerable to unfair trade agreements, collapsing financial markets, the global push agriculture fuels, land grabs, the expansion of speculation of the food market, the privatization of genetic resources, among other threats.

Current prevailing policies and practices in trade, land use, energy use, and patent law favor large-scale agribusinesses that contribute to climate change while making it more difficult for small-scale sustainable farmers to stay on the land where they are able to produce food for the world and mitigate climate change.

Without safeguards and support, we risk both the global food supply and combating the climate crisis.

SMALL-SCALE FARMERS & AGROECOLOGY

According to the Rodale Institute, small farmers and pastoralists could sequester more than 100% of current annual CO₂ emissions with a switch to widely available and inexpensive organic management practices.

According to GRAIN, small farmers feed the world with less than a quarter of all farmland. While small farmers are by and large more productive than big farms, we are fast losing farms and farmers in many places, while big farms are getting bigger.

Agroecology is a whole-systems approach to agriculture and food systems development based on traditional knowledge, alternative agriculture, and local food system experiences.

FAIR TRADE & SMALL-SCALE FARMERS

Dedicated fair trade brands establish long term trading relationships with small-scale farmers throughout their product lines.

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PLANT HOPE IN YOUR COMMUNITY

1. Compost food, garden and yard waste
2. Plant a home or community garden
3. Install a rain barrel
4. Raise chickens & bees
5. Shop at your local farmers market or join a local CSA
6. Talk with your family, friends and neighbors

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