



**CALGARY, AB** – Highfield Regenerative Farm, an award-winning hub for regenerative agriculture, environmental innovation and community building, will complete its term on City of Calgary land following the next two growing seasons. Since 2019, through vision, partnerships, hard work and stoic determination, 15 acres of underutilized industrial land have been transformed into a vibrant, biodiverse space that produces nutrient-dense food, supports ecological restoration and welcomes thousands of Calgarians each year for hands-on learning and meaningful contribution.

“Highfield Regenerative Farm is a statement for what we believe in – local food, strengthening community and doing so on a foundation of sustainability,” said Jeremy Zoller, one of the farm’s foundational catalysts and urban agriculture advocate. “The strength and teamwork of many are responsible for this remarkable initiative whose accomplishments are many with much more still to come.”

The farm has become a city-wide model of urban sustainability, offering a blueprint for turning overlooked spaces into thriving, productive ecosystems. In 2023, Highfield Regenerative Farm was honoured with an Emerald Award—Alberta’s most prestigious environmental recognition—for its outstanding work in soil regeneration, composting, food security and inclusive community programming.

“Highfield Regenerative Farm is Calgary’s first large-scale urban farm on vacant City-owned land and was launched as a pilot project as The City developed the Growing Spaces Urban Agriculture Program,” said Kristi Peters, Food Systems Planner, City of Calgary. “The success of the farm has contributed to the development of the Growing Spaces Program, which will continue to support urban agriculture and urban farmers in other locations throughout the city”.

“Bravo to Highfield Regenerative Farm and all its supporters for their can-do and will-do spirit that has grown this original brownfield site into an inspirational growing and learning space, accessible to all,” said Susan Antler of The Compost Council of Canada, the farm’s and City’s partner organization involved in Highfield’s development and growth. “Special thanks are extended to the City of Calgary for supporting this project and helping us manage through the timelines ahead. As we gear up for the upcoming growing season on this property, our collaboration continues. And we invite all interested to join and help us ensure these next two seasons are productive, meaningful and beneficial for both the land and the community that Highfield Farm serves.”

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**About Highfield Regenerative Farm**

Highfield Farm is located on 15 acres in the heart of an industrial community in the City of Calgary. In partnership with the Compost Council of Canada and the City of Calgary, the energetic Highfield Farm team has been transforming this vacant property into a vibrant and productive urban farm through soil revitalization, food production, and community programming. Supported by an extensive group of volunteers, the Highfield Farm urban agriculture project is producing locally-grown food, raising awareness of urban agriculture, generating entrepreneurial opportunities and strengthening our community.

**About The Compost Council of Canada**

The Compost Council of Canada is a national non-profit, member-driven organization with the charter to advocate and enhance organics residuals recycling and compost/digestate use, returning essential organic matter back to our soils for enhanced health, vitality and productivity. Programs championed by the Council include organics recycling and soil health advocacy/training, agricultural research trials, the Compost Quality Alliance/Digestate Quality Alliance, Soil Safari workshops and Plant-Grow-Share a Row, a community-based food-growing and sharing program to help neighbours-in-need.

Together with the leadership of a local force of soil health and urban agriculture experts, the Council was selected by the City of Calgary to secure the lease of the Highfield Farm property to advance the city’s urban agriculture support vision.

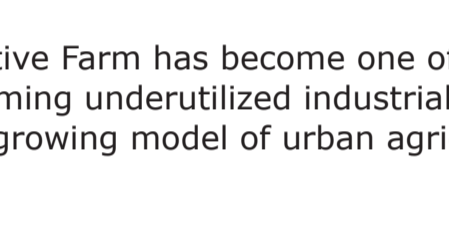
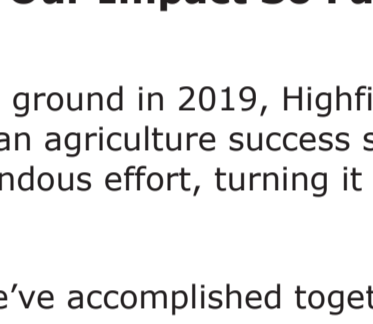
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**Our Impact So Far: A Regenerative Success Story**

Since breaking ground in 2019, Highfield Regenerative Farm has become one of Calgary’s most innovative urban agriculture success stories—reclaiming underutilized industrial land and, through tremendous effort, turning it into a living, growing model of urban agricultural reality and potential.

Here’s what we’ve accomplished together so far:

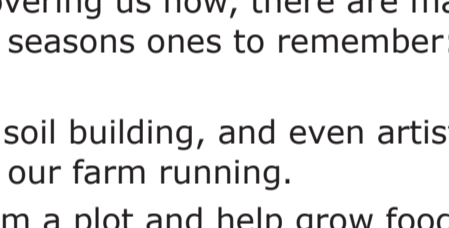
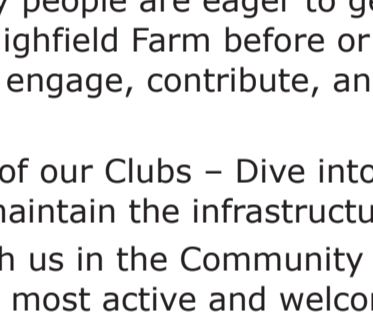
- 🏆 2023 Emerald Award Winner - Honoured for leadership in regenerative agriculture, community building and sustainability education.
- 🌱 8000+ pounds of food grown to-date - Grown with regenerative agricultural practices and shared through food access partnerships.
- 👥 Engaged over 500 volunteers to-date - Contributed over 3000 volunteer hours to grow food, restore land and strengthen community.
- 🎓 Dozens of educational sessions, workshops, and tours delivered - Including youth, corporate, and community groups.
- 🌳 15 acres of revitalized land - Once an underutilized industrial site, now a green and thriving urban ecosystem.

And we’re not done yet.

With two more growing seasons ahead of us, we remain committed and energized to continue making this space a place of agricultural growth, imagination and community impact.

**What’s Next?**

While the Highfield Farm project will conclude at this location after its current term, our work is far from over. We remain committed to urban agriculture and community-driven sustainability in Calgary and beyond. As we plan for the future, we invite those passionate about soil health and compost, growing food, local food security and education around these topics to join us in making these next two seasons a powerful and inspiring sendoff.



**Get Involved: Be Part of Highfield Farm’s Next Two Growing Seasons Remaining-at-this-Site!**

We know many people are eager to get involved and this is your chance! Whether you’ve been a part of Highfield Farm before or are just discovering us now, there are many ways to engage, contribute, and make these seasons ones to remember:

- Join one of our Clubs – Dive into composting, soil building, and even artistic expression, or help maintain the infrastructure that keeps our farm running.
- Grow with us in the Community Garden – Claim a plot and help grow food in one of Calgary’s most active and welcoming garden spaces.
- Bring your group for volunteering or education – Whether you’re a school, business, or community group, we offer opportunities to volunteer or participate in workshops covering composting, land restoration, regenerative growing practices, and more.
- Support food access in Calgary – Help grow and harvest fresh produce that we donate directly to food-insecure communities through local food access organizations.
- Become a Grower Member – Have a project or small business idea rooted in urban agriculture? Start and test it here with support and space.
- Lead something new – Facilitate an event, host a workshop, or launch your own community initiative on the farm.
- Pitch in behind the scenes – Help with grant writing, outreach, newsletters, infrastructure upkeep, website support, and more.

No matter how you get involved, this is a chance to be part of something exceptional—contributing to Highfield Farm’s Urban Farming Vision while gaining knowledge and connection.

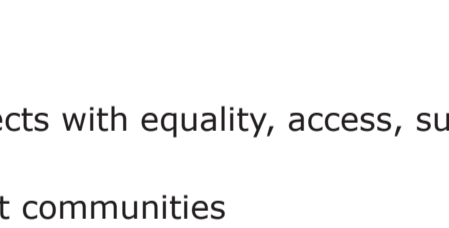
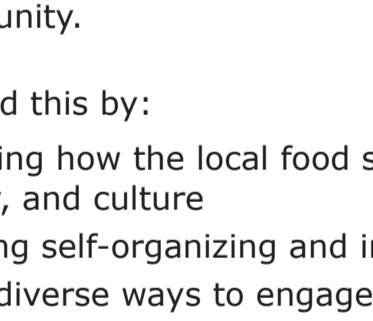
**Stay Connected**

Follow us on social media and subscribe to our newsletter to stay updated on opportunities, events, and ways to get involved:

- Website & Newsletter Signup: [www.highfieldfarm.ca](http://www.highfieldfarm.ca)
- Facebook: [facebook.com/highfieldregenerativefarm](https://facebook.com/highfieldregenerativefarm)
- Instagram: [instagram.com/highfieldregenerativefarm](https://instagram.com/highfieldregenerativefarm)

**For the Love of the Earth® and our Community**

The Highfield Regenerative Farm Team & Compost Council of Canada



**Our Vision and Mission**

At the heart of Highfield Regenerative Farm is a vision of transformed, thriving spaces—places of regeneration, abundance, diversity, and opportunity. We believe in empowered, self-organizing communities that inspire people to care for themselves, each other, and the planet. A world where the land brings people together, and the community takes care of the land.

Our mission is to create a vibrant, creative, and inspired urban community hub centered around biodiverse land, regenerative local food systems, compost and soil health, education, art, and community.

We work toward this by:

- Recognizing how the local food system intersects with equality, access, sustainability, creativity, and culture
- Supporting self-organizing and interdependent communities
- Offering diverse ways to engage and contribute
- Transforming a brownfield into an abundant, educational greenspace
- Showcasing a variety of soil- and compost-based growing systems
- Creating hands-on learning and leadership opportunities



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