Welcome partners, funders and friends,

I am excited to share the latest results of our work with farmers around the world.

In 2022, we’ve unveiled a new brand, our team and partnerships grew, and we ventured into the carbon market. If you are returning after knowing us for awhile, I hope you will see “your” Trees for the Future evolving in this dynamic and exciting time. To our newcomers, welcome to a meeting place for those concerned about the fate of the planet and those seeking to support the most vulnerable of our fellow global citizens.

For 33 years, we have been proud of our model to reduce poverty among farmers and promote better family nutrition. We’re now also seeing it as an effective response to the twin crises of climate change and the collapse of biodiversity.

Within the pages of this impact report, you’ll see the landscapes you help restore. You’ll meet the women who are reshaping agriculture in their communities. You’ll discover how Forest Garden farmers are benefiting from the carbon market. You’ll explore the impact you make possible every single day. Thank you for planting change with us.

Tim McLellan
The Forest Garden Approach: Increasing Resilience of Smallholder Farmers

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33 YEARS OF IMPACT: LIFETIME TOTALS

- **278 MILLION**
  - Trees planted

- **332,000**
  - Beneficiaries*

- **71,000**
  - Acres restored

*Beneficiaries are defined as farmers and their family members.
2022 Impact: Our Triple Bottom Line

Trees for the Future’s (TREES) reporting focuses on the triple bottom line: household food security, economic resilience, and environmental impact. Our data is publicly available and includes the Household Food Insecurity Access Score (HFIAS) and Household Dietary Diversity Score (HDDS), both recognized and developed by USAID.

**ENVIRONMENT**

**53,415,631**
Trees planted*

**30,561**
Acres in restoration*

**10,121**
New Forest Gardens established*

**4,420,395**
Metric tonnes of CO2 sequestered**

**NUTRITION AND FOOD SECURITY**

In **YEAR 2**, farming families exceeded the global target for food security and in **YEAR 3** they met the goal for household dietary diversity.*

**175%**
Increase in access to meat and eggs*

**74%**
Increase in access to yellow & orange fruits and vegetables during the lean season*

*Data from July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022  *Over a 20 year period
2022 Impact: Our Triple Bottom Line

ECONOMIC RESILIENCE AND INCOME

Resilience is the capacity of a household to bounce back to a previous level of well-being after a shock.

98%

of farmers across all projects said they were confident they would be able to cope financially in the future by year 3.*

*Data from July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

“\textit{This project has been a revival in terms of work and economy for us.}”

- Sitan, Mali

Over the past three years, TREES has partnered with the International Rescue Committee to work in extreme conflict zones in the Central African Republic to train farmers and increase their income. Our income case study in CAR revealed the following:

- Farmers doubled their income through their vegetable and fruit sales.*
- 16 Types of crops grown*
- 210,000 Kilograms of organically-grown crops produced annually*

2022 Impact: Our Triple Bottom Line
Beneficiaries
8,968
Forest Gardens
651
Trees Planted
1,351,464
Beneficiaries
100,773
Forest Gardens
7,304
Trees Planted
9,891,693
Beneficiaries
5,220
Forest Gardens
580
Trees Planted
962,007
Beneficiaries
5,120
Forest Gardens
640
Trees Planted
1,295,078
Beneficiaries
2,361
Forest Gardens
268
Trees Planted
12,950
Beneficiaries
50,869
Forest Gardens
5,716
Trees Planted
11,365,874
Beneficiaries
51,607
Forest Gardens
9,909
Trees Planted
12,190,130
Beneficiaries
105
Forest Gardens
10
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THE GAMBIA
MALI
CHAD
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC
UGANDA
TANZANIA
KENYA
I can’t imagine where I would be given my disability and COVID. I don’t know if I would be able to feed my family during this time if it wasn’t for this project.”
- Gusino, Uganda

*Data from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022
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Farmers in our program are paying it forward through Plant it Forward! After they complete our training program, farmers have the opportunity to pass on what they’ve learned to other farmers in the region. To date, we’ve reached 3,100+ farmers in this way – farmers like Alice.

“I wish to encourage other farmers who have not trained in Forest Gardening to join TREES Forest Gardening groups so that they can train and get techniques as I have.”
- Alice, Kenya

47% of our 35-and-under cohort are women

42% of Forest Garden farmers are female

“My fears have been transformed to hope.”
- Teresa, Kenya

“If all Senegalese women had the support I received from TREES, many problems would be solved in this country.”
- Jeanne, Senegal

*Data from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022
TREES trains dozens of partners in Africa to implement the Forest Garden Approach within the contexts of their existing work. This way we are able to collaboratively and thoughtfully reach more people and landscapes.

TREES is working with Helvetas in Singida, Tanzania to reach organic cotton farmers. Merging our specialties, TREES staff taught Helvetas staff about the Forest Garden Approach and Helvetas shared their successful Village Savings and Loan Association (VSLA) training model. In our first year of partnership, we've already reached 221 farmers and planted more than 476,000 trees.

In Kolda, Senegal, we're working with the United Nations International Organization for Migration (IOM) to provide Forest Garden training to returned migrants and farmers directly affected by forced migration.

“A chance to have the means to succeed at home, that’s what this initiative gives me!”

- Tidiane, Senegal

“I consider myself lucky to be part of this initiative because, according to me, in African agricultural development, this is as good as it gets.”

- Ephrem, Deputy Director of Partnerships
TREES commenced a ground-breaking program with a new partner to include smallholder farmers in the global voluntary carbon markets. Voluntary and compliance markets have been evolving for decades but the complexity and long-term nature of nature-based solutions have meant that smallholders have largely been excluded from participation. Our program will change that.

15,000 farmers in Western Kenya will be supported to install Forest Gardens on their property. They will receive the income and nutrition benefits and a share of the carbon credits created by their gardens. Credits will be validated at the highest global standard and sold by our investor on the expanding global carbon market.

TREES’ goal is to bring equity, transparency and inclusion as we transition to a green economy.

Getting money was not very easy, but I can now get something to put in my pocket.”
- Tobias, Kenya
Supporters Plant Big Change

Thanks to the support of individuals, companies, and institutions that care about farmers and our planet, we have been able to see an incredible impact this year.

CORPORATE PARTNER HIGHLIGHTS

“We remain incredibly proud of the milestones we have accomplished and the impact we have made through our work with TREES and look forward to our continued partnership in the years ahead!”

- Eminence, partner since 2012

“As a baby company, we are very proud to support an organization that so profoundly impacts our children, their future, and our planet.

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- Munchkin, partner since 2015

FAST FACTS*

4,000+
Supporters

650
Sustainers (monthly donors) from 43 different countries

300+
Corporate sponsors

37
NFT supporters

1000+% Increase in cryptocurrency support

INSTITUTIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Arbor Day Foundation
Climate Fund Managers
Moore Family Foundation

INDIVIDUAL HIGHLIGHTS

Cameron, Keith, Rich, and Ross biked 4,200 miles across the U.S. in 30 days in June of 2022. They raised over $5,000 for TREES with their For a Fitter Planet fundraiser.

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## A Look at our Financials

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

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“Right now, there is a great awakening. Even other villagers want to join the group knowing that this project has many benefits.”

- Pili, Tanzania
A Dedicated Team on a Mission

The TREES team is passionate and committed to creating a better world for people now and in the future. From our HQ staff managing operations and spreading the word to our field team with boots on the ground at every project, we are proud of our growing team who make a difference each and every day.

“There is nothing more beautiful than allowing people to feed themselves properly. Every evening when I come home from work, I am satisfied with the support that I and TREES provide to farmers and the land.”

- Sellé, Senegal Trainer

TREES staff work directly with farmers conducting field-based training. They reach last mile farmers, working through the rain, mud, and sun to equip farmers with the technical skills to transform their land, adapt to climate change, and improve their lives.

211
Total number of locally-based agroforestry trainers

294
Total number of staff

30%
Female staff

“We all have a role to play when it comes to combatting our world’s most pressing problems. Through my role at TREES, I’m honored to support thousands of individuals from around the world in realizing their potential by investing in our mission. By working together, we can empower communities most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change while changing the course of our future.”

- Alexa, Individual Giving Manager
What’s Next? Planting Our Way to 2030

Together with the United Nations Decade on Ecosystem Restoration, TREES has a goal to plant 1 billion trees with 250,000 farmers by 2030.

FOR COMMUNITIES, BY COMMUNITIES, IN COMMUNITIES

2030
1 BILLION
Trees planted with 250,000 farmers

2022
277,989,099
Trees planted with farming families

2019
160 MILLION
Trees planted around the world with farmers

2015
100 MILLION
Trees planted around the world

2003
30 MILLION
Trees planted around the world

1989
TREES founded

Let’s Get Planting
Planting trees and changing lives starts with you.
Go to trees.org to get involved.
"I come to my Forest Garden early and leave late, because when life gives you a second chance, you seize it."
- Jeanne, Senegal