



OUR MISSION

Caring for the earth
and our neighbors
by organically
farming and freely
giving fruits and
vegetables to
people experiencing
food insecurity in
San Luis Obispo
county, California.

2021 Annual Report



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Dear Friend of Firstfruits Farm SLO,

The 2021 season was full of record-breaking moments for Firstfruits Farm SLO. Volunteer leaders hosted **175 events** inviting over **500 unique community members** to participate in the farming process. Harvest teams picked, washed, and packed **23,902 lbs** of organic fruits and veggies. Delivery drivers ensured the produce reached our **ten distribution partners** serving from Atascadero to Nipomo.

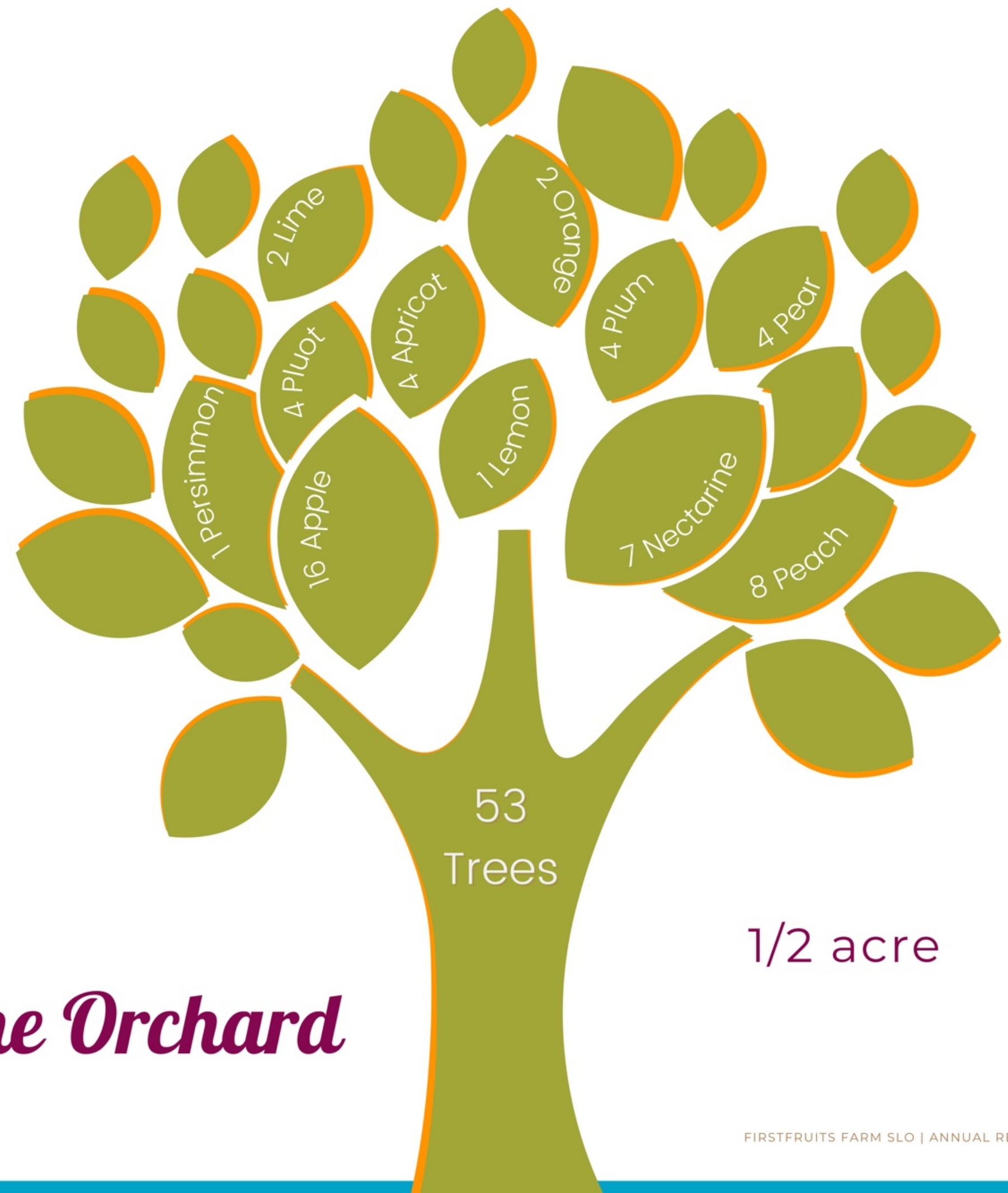
Record breaking numbers are a lot of fun to celebrate but the heart of the project is human connection. The Firstfruits Farm SLO community farming project is one small step towards the realization of MLK's vision of the Beloved Community. **A community in which everyone is cared for, absent of poverty, hunger, and hate.**

This community, our farm, thrives because you chose to plant hope, because you chose to grow generosity, and because you chose to honor human dignity.

We want you to know the impact your compassion has made not just for us, but for everyone we serve. Thank you for practicing compassion with us, for sharing Christ's profound love for humankind.

With gratitude,
Paul Shackelford
Executive Director





1/2 acre

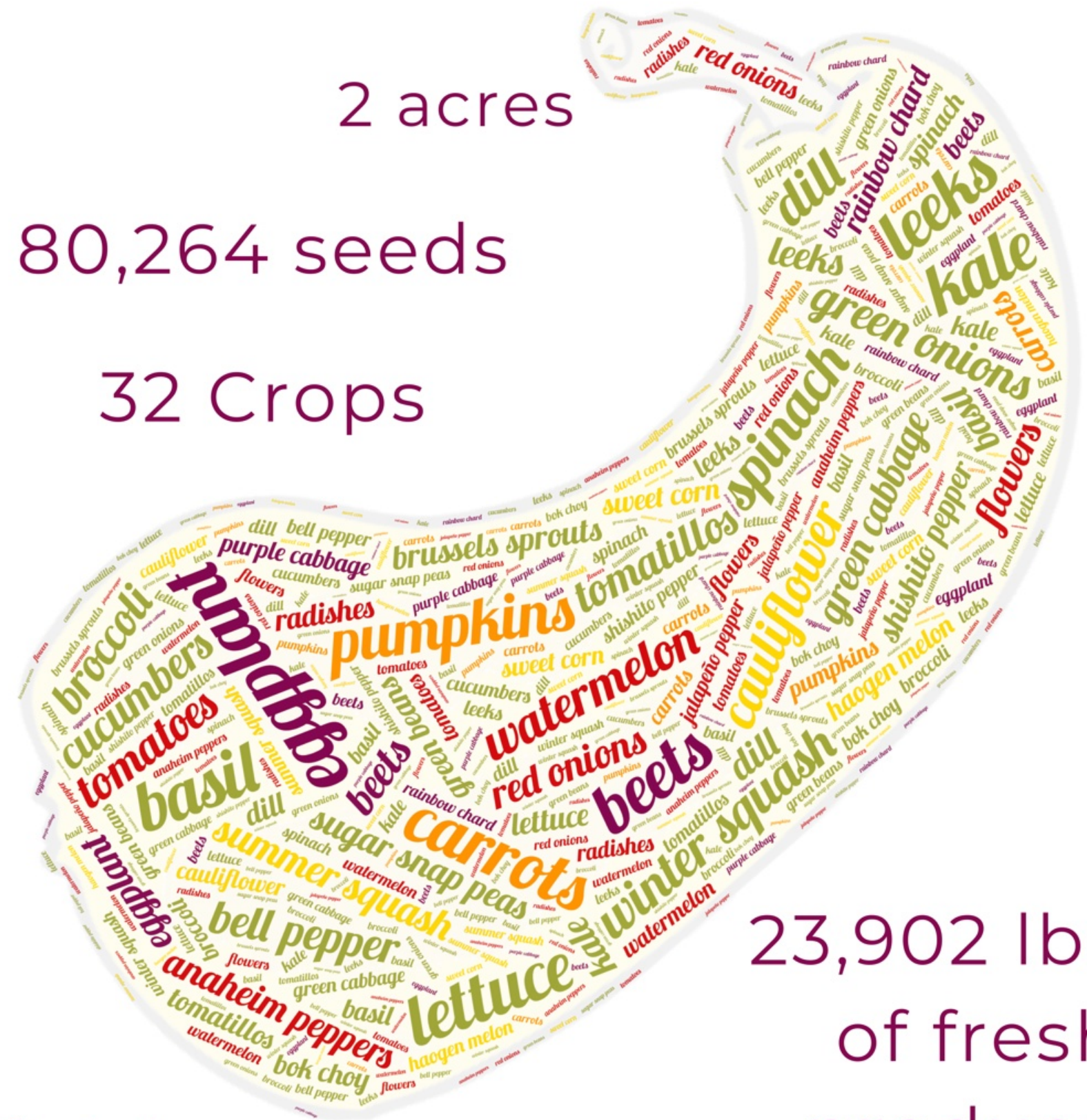
The Orchard



Planting Hope

We are committed to acting justly, loving mercy, and walking humbly with The Creator through fostering ongoing partnerships between churches, community organizations, and individuals; in this way, we seek to be an intersection for our community.

2 acres
80,264 seeds
32 Crops



23,902 lbs
of fresh
produce

The Field





Growing Generosity

From seed to harvest, we cultivate our crops through volunteer-run activities, welcoming all ages and skill levels.

Everyone is welcome to use their capabilities to love their neighbors as themselves.

500+
Volunteers

175 Community Events
Over 8 months

19 Harvest
Leaders

26
Monthly
Donors







Honoring Dignity

We believe that every person bears the image of The Creator and is endowed with inherent worthiness.

We understand many of our neighbors lack access to fresh & nutritious food. This is why we donate all harvests.

DURING OUR HARVEST SEASON WE DONATED **23,902 LBS** OF PRODUCE TO 10 DISTRIBUTION PARTNERS

God's Storehouse at Grace Church
ECHO Atascadero
The Estero Bay Kindness Coalition
New Life Community Church
Nipomo Food Basket

SLO Street Medics
Mountainbrook Food Pantry
Lumina Alliance
Transitions Mental Health
People Helping People of Los Osos

312 FAMILIES PER WEEK RECEIVED AN AVERAGE OF **3.5 LBS OF FIRSTFRUITS** FARM SLO PRODUCE



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