

# Can our Food System Be 'Unbroken'?

Evan Harrison, CEO Kiss the Ground

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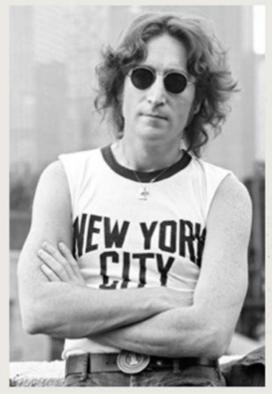
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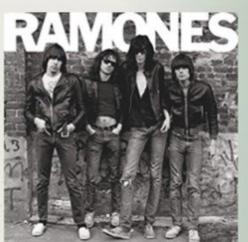






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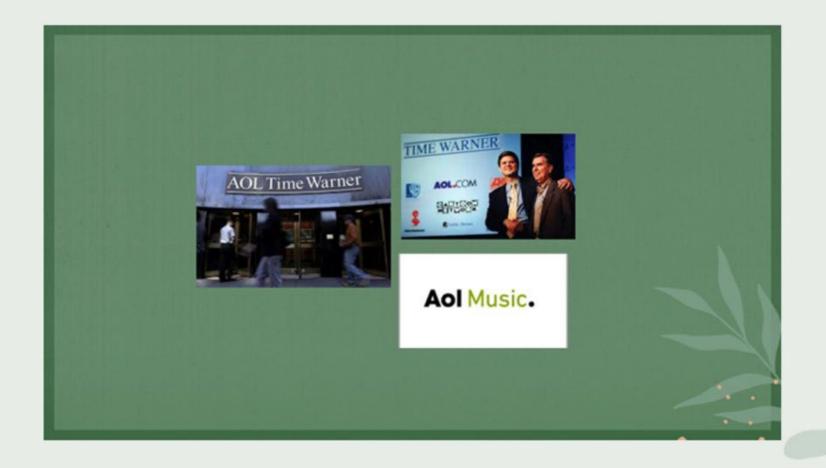
















#### evil empire

100M ppl weekly, 70M ppl live \$9B rev, radio 65% profit

Clear Channel owns so many radio stations and concert venues that artists are constantly fearful of it. -Senator John McCain (R-Ariz.)

earlier this year they yanked Stern off the airwaves

-Forbes '04













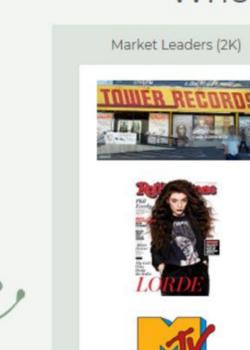








### When you stop growing you start dying







Early Innovators















































# monoculture agriculture is degenerative

at this rate of soil degradation, there are 60 harvests left

- United Nations, 2014

93% of Americans are suffering from a diagnosable metabolic dysfunction

-Dr. Robert Lustig '23



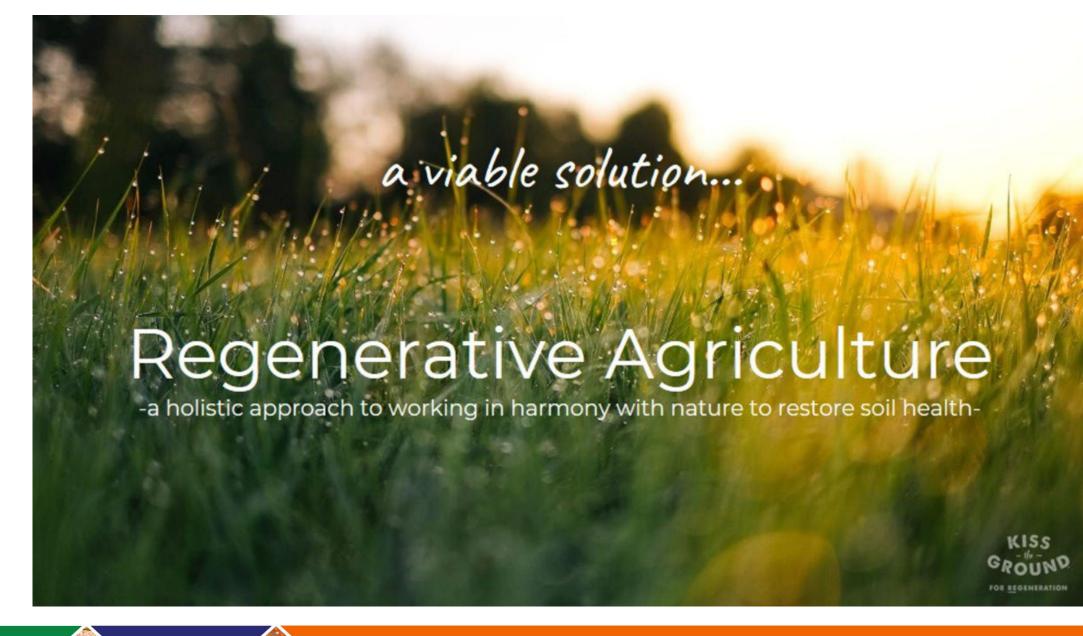


















#### **Practices**

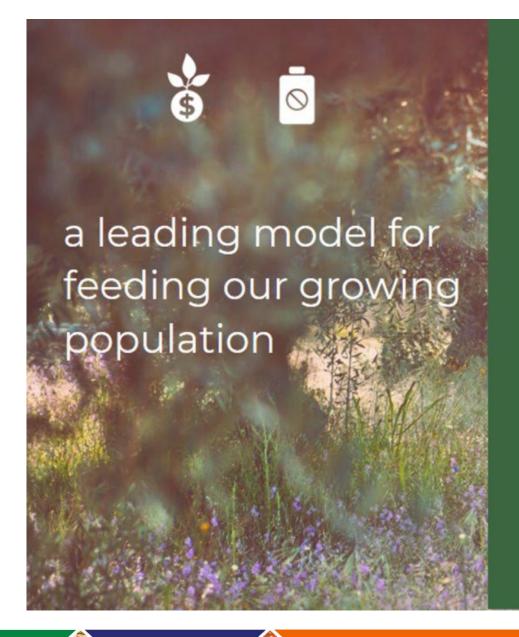
- Reduced / no tilling
- seasonal cover crops
- compost

- planned grazing
- reduced or no chemicals
- agroforestry, trees

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Increased costs of 'inputs' (fertilizers, pesticides, feed, GMO seeds..) are pushing farmers across the world into bankruptcy

40% of farmers struggle to support these costs

-Fast Company, 2022

Farms with regenerative practices were **78% more profitable** than conventional

-Forbes 2020

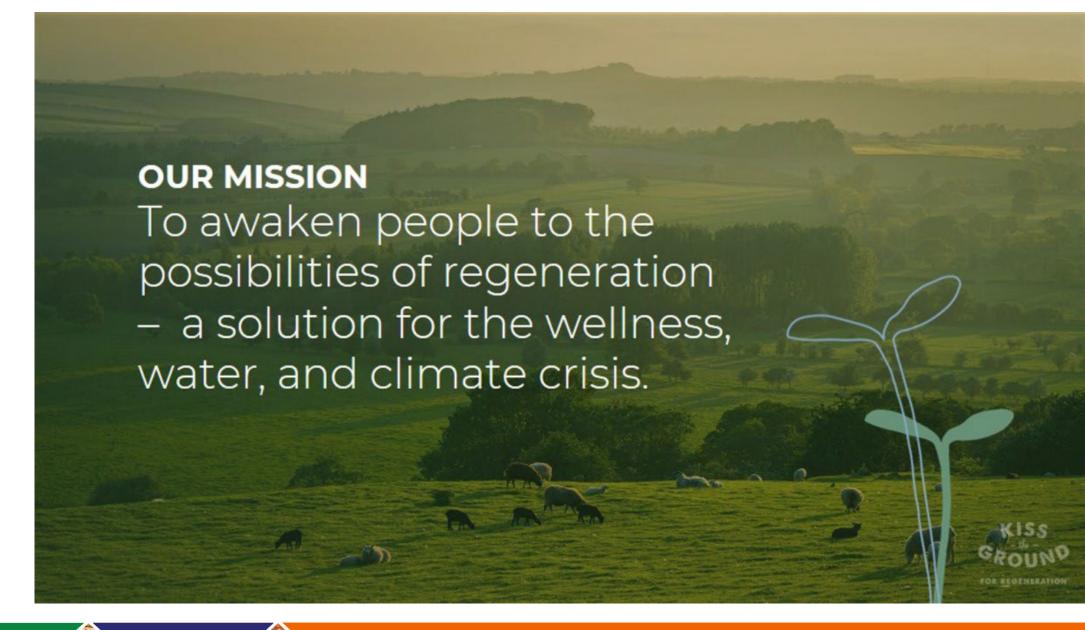
















# where we're going...

**WAVE I** 

'13-'22 films, courses, launched a movement

**WAVE II** 

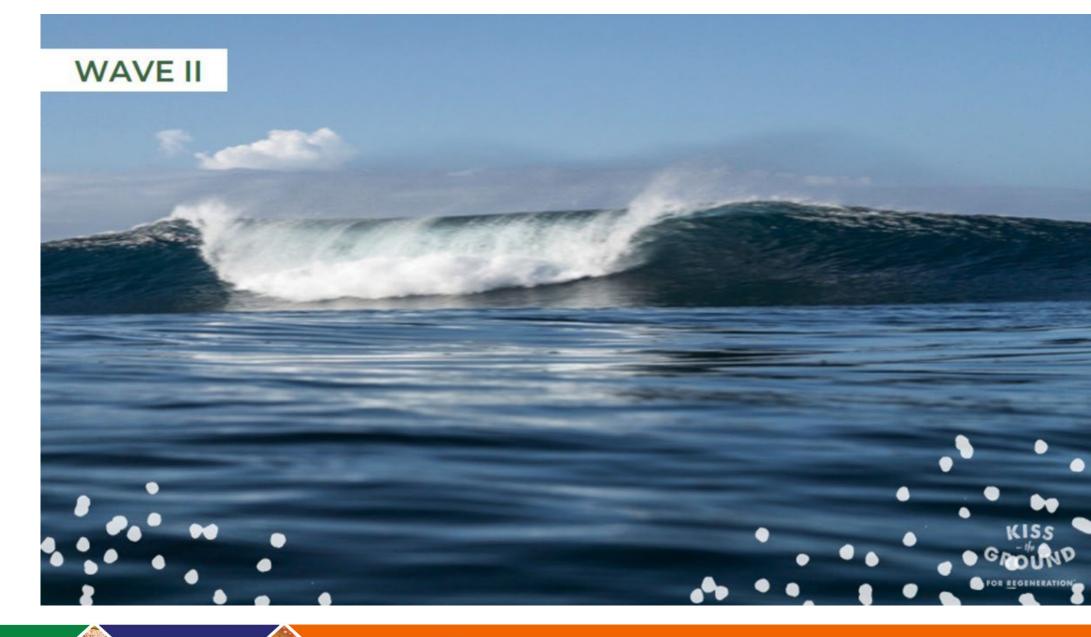
'22-'24 hire CEO, stabilize, build for sustainable impact

'25-'30 performance, accountability, 3X Impact











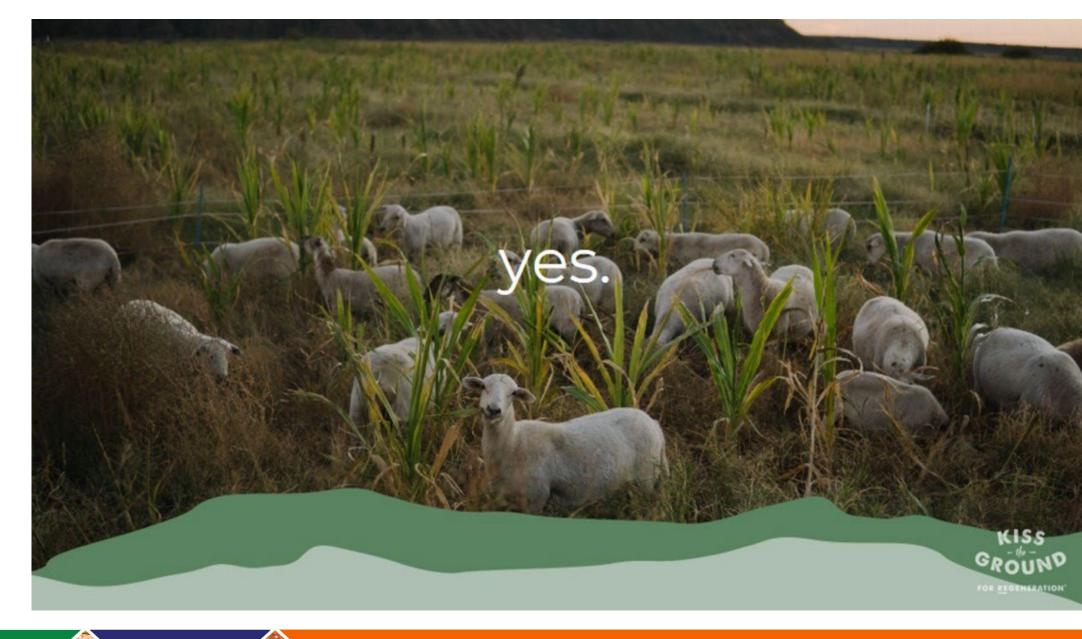


# can our food system be unbroken?



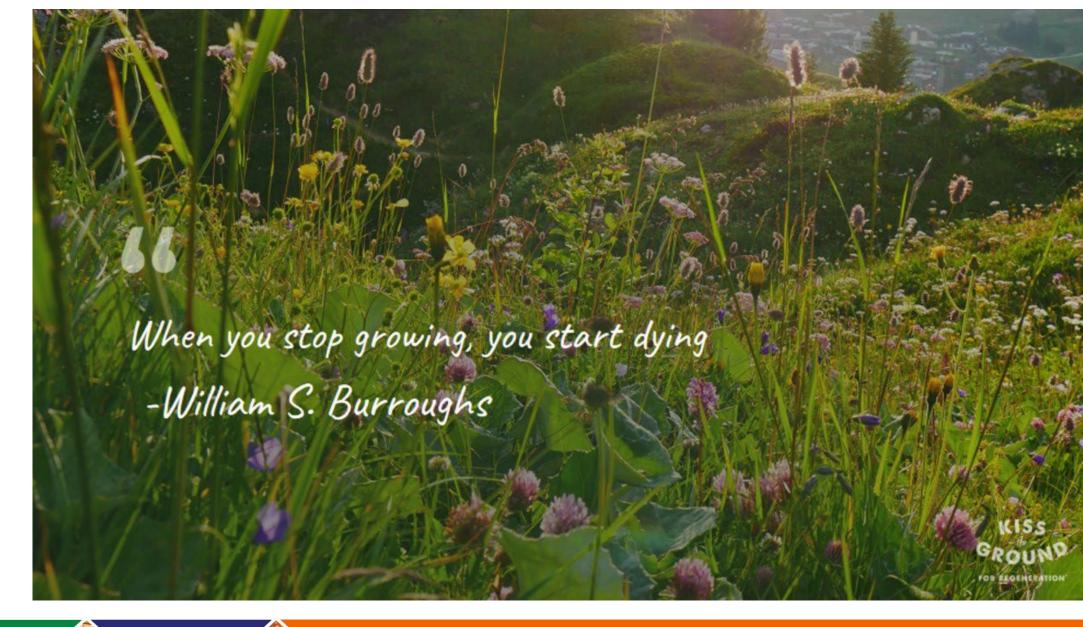






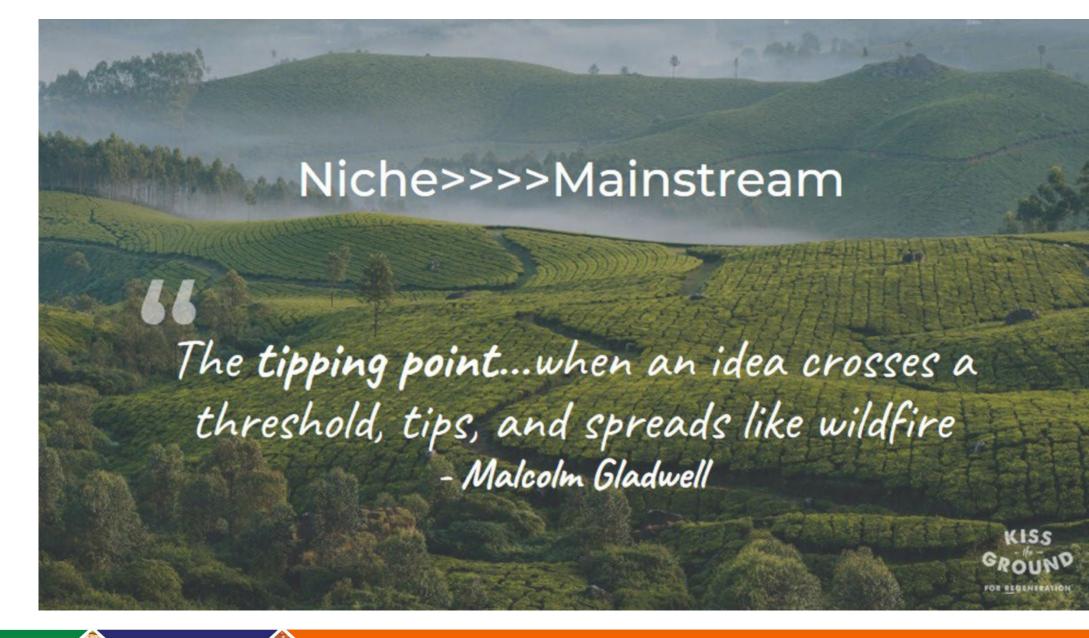
































### '23 KTG study found...

70% care about their **personal**wellness – yet only 4% know of the solution

climate largely remains 'someone else's problem'



A NEW KISS THE GROUND STUDY' FOUND

of US Adults
Understand the
Significance of
Regenerative

45%

support organizations tackling climate change

Agriculture

feel it's important to "do my part to protect the planet"

54%

70%

purchased organic, non-GMO, and/or sustainable products this year







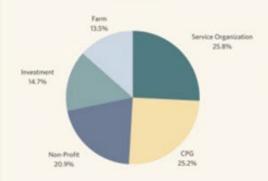
## companies are...

- talking regenerative 600+ now, doubling since 2019
- including Fortune 100, across many verticals

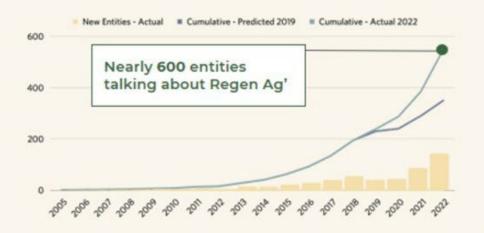


#### Entity Types Using "Regenerative Agriculture" 2019

#### Entity Types Using "Regenerative Agriculture" 2022







Source: https://howgood.com/regenerative-industry-landscape/





## growth in...

regen, short-form content

simple & focused is most impactful







# simplified Kiss the Ground









Kiss the Ground is an audiencesupported nonprofit promoting regeneration and healthy soil as a viable solution for our wellness, water & climate crisis.

Since 2013 we've inspired millions to participate in the Regenerative Movement through storytelling, education, and partnerships.







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#### To reach the Tipping Point in 5 years, we will:

produce, distribute multi-platform content daily

create edu-tainment (from courses & docs, to tile toks)

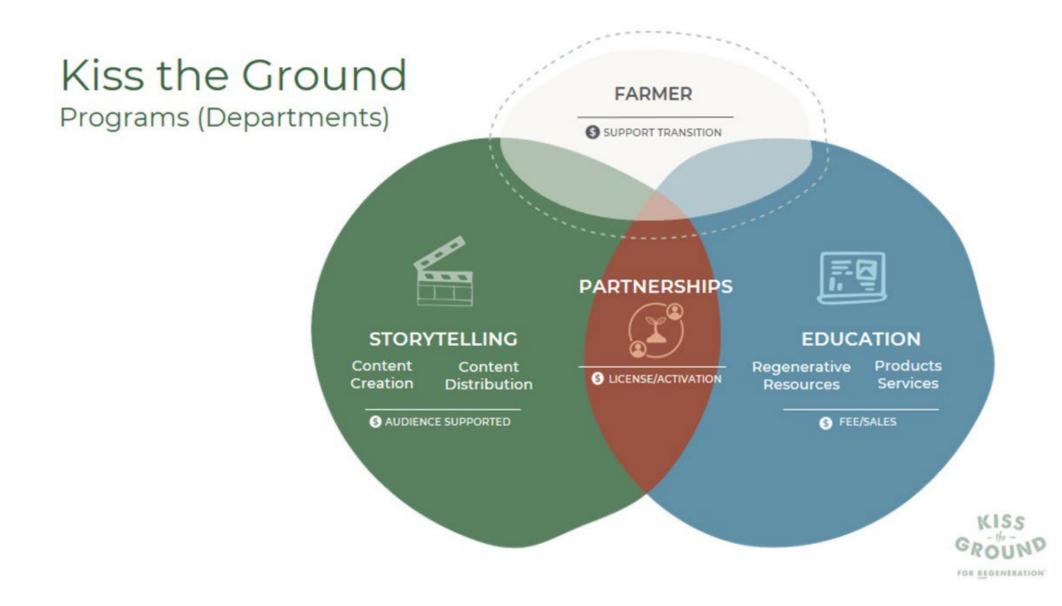
Quality content raises awareness, inspires, educates, yields more support across programs & maximizes our impact

we're a leading voice in the Regenerative Movement...



















#### **Regenerative Farms**

Below are the regenerative farms that Kiss the Ground works with nationwide.



# KTG works with hundreds of farmers

- Aligned all KTG Farm work consolidated our work with farmers on one page
- Connect people with farmers
   Inspirational stories (5WAF),
   local connections (map)
- Direct to farmer grants
   \$500k direct to farmer grants









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#### 5 with a Farmer

At the end of the day, farmers are just like us — individuals with humor, wisdom, and passion. Get to know them in our 5 with a Farmer series, which features quick, heartfelt chats with the remarkable people who not only feed us, but work year-round to protect our wellness, water, and climate.

VIEW ALL

FARM



















re all eat, yet most of us have not met a farmer or know where our food comes from This is a place to meet the heroes who are growing your food regeneratively.

Kiss the Ground is bridging the gap. Since 2013, we've worked directly with farmers, ranchers, and various partners in the Regenerative Movement to catalyze the transition of millions of acres into regenerative agriculture for our wellness, water, and climate.

Here, we'll share some of their stories and provide ways to connect with the farmers in your community.







## Kiss the Ground Announces \$500K in Direct-to-Farmer Grants

We are committed to helping farmers and ranchers transition to regenerative agriculture and reduce the financial barriers and risks that come with it.

Starting in November 2024, Kiss the Ground will award \$500K directly to farmers and ranchers,

- award a total of \$200K to farmers and ranchers for in-person training AND
- award a total of \$300K for equipment, supplies, and infrastructure

Applications for our 2024 Regenerative Transition Grants are coming soon. Sign up to be the first to know when applications open.



APPLY NOW













For every \$100 donated to Kiss the Ground, we inspire and catalyze the transition of 10 acres into regenerative agriculture, working directly with farmers, consultants, and various partners. Read our full impact here.









# Regenerative Transition Grants (Launched 11/21)

\$200K for education/training with partners Savory and Soil Health Academy (approx 200 farms)

\$300K for equipment/supplies/infrastructure, (approx 10 farms)

150 Training Grants Awarded
63 Equipment Grant Applications \*closed
Dec 4, awarded this year

10K Page Visits

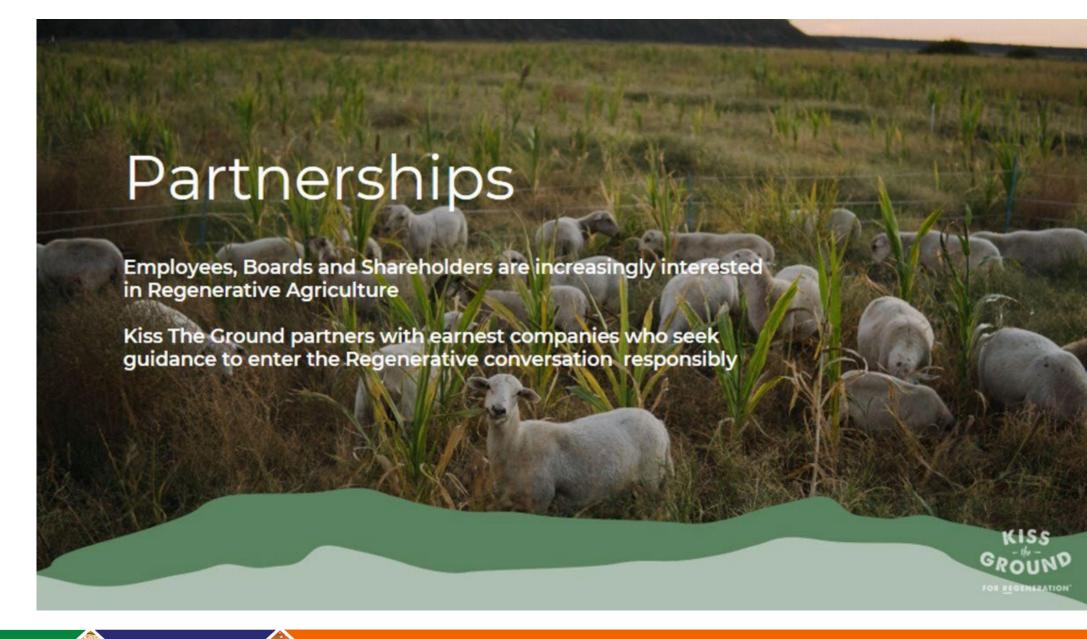
250+ farmer forms submitted















New Partners









true grace.

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Renewed







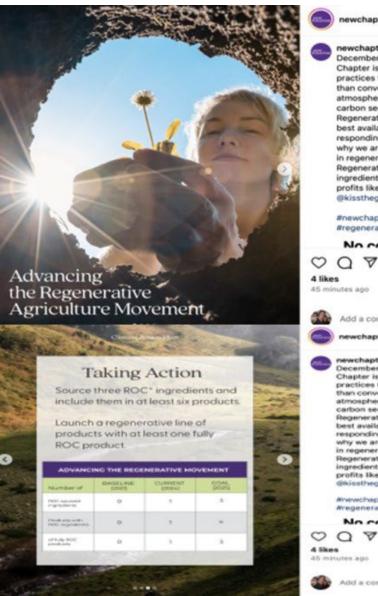
16 partners













responding to climate change. That's

in regenerative agriculture through

profits like the @rodaleinstitute and

#regenerativeagriculture #soilmonth

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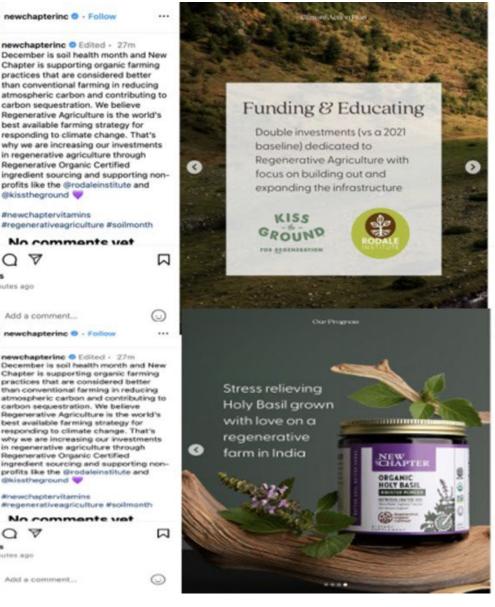
Regenerative Organic Certified

@kisstheground 💗

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**Wnewchaptervitamins** 

why we are increasing our investments





**Wnewchaptervitamins** #regenerativeagriculture #soilmonth

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## Kiss the Ground Coffee

Certified regenerative coffee grown on La Bella Farm in Los Santos, Costa Rica

#### kick-start

#### fine-tuned ops

1k bags distributed

## Q1: experiment with models, maximize impact

- gift w donations, subs, retail, amazon







#### 11 with Evan

FEATURING BLAINE STREISAND, CEO, NEW CHAPTER

In II questions and II minutes, Kiss the Ground CEO Evan Harrison interviews various partners about their unique perspectives, motivations, and intentions for joining the Regenerative Movement. Hear the stories and insights of regeneration pioneers, as they work towards advancing a viable solution to our wellness, water, and climate crisis.





#### Blaine Streisand of New Chapter:

Meet Blaine Streisand, New Chapter CEO, Swiftle, and advocate for regeneration.

As the leader of a supplement brand, committed to using clean ingredients that promote human and environmental health, Streisland recognizes the power of regenerative practices and ingredients.

Often resembling candy, vitamins have strayed from their purpose to provide natural support. In a crowded industry promoting engineered and artificial ingredents, New Chapter is committing to doing things the right way with nature as their guide.



"Now, we have a unique opportunity to bridge the gap between climate and nutrient density with regenerative as the answer. I hope that in 10 years, we will see the same change we have seen with organic, and the choice to buy regenerative strawberries will be an easy one."

If you weren't in the Consumer Package Goods (CPG) supplement business, what else could you see yourself doing?

I always wanted to work for Nike because of my love for sports. In college, Linterned for the New York Mets and wanted to be the general manager of a sports team. Although my direction changed, I feel passionate and gratified with what I am doing.

You're hosting a dinner party with Kiss the Ground, New Chapter, and three famous people (dead or alive) – who would you invite and why?

If I was hosting this dinner, I would be thinking about bringing the regenerative conversation to different perspectives. I would choose citizens of humanity committed to making the world a better place to help us overcome the challenges both of our teams are working through.







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## Stories of Regeneration







Audience 1M+ I 5:32 mins avg. view time

\*viewed by 100k first time-audience on Youtube







# Stories of Regeneration: North Dakota (Part I)













## Stories of Regeneration: Dairy Cows ft. Dan Barber

## Steak From Dairy Cows? It Could Be a Lifeline for American Farmers.

Letting milk cows graze longer can produce superior beef — a largely European practice that is now gaining ground in America.





















We're passionate about regenerative agriculture and saving the world with superfoods! Now, we're excited to have our whole company join in and take this course!

Kristie Cerutti, Impact VP Ancient Nutrition

Wow! This is a must see. 90-minutes of practical, easy to understand material. Education is critical in this movement that Kiss the Ground is a major leader in.

Rick Clark, Regenerative Farmer, Indiana

I'm honored to be featured. Kiss the Ground is a big reason my passion for soil health was reignited. The team is always making the deep and complex ideas engaging and easy to understand.

Mark Hyman, MD, Physician and Educator





KTG Audience Dashboard

