



***EMORY
UNIVERSITY'S
WORKING FARMS
FUND***

A glimpse into local food and
sustainable farming



WHAT IS THE WORKING FARMS FUND?

- The Working Farms Fund, established in 2019 through a partnership between Emory University and The Conservation Fund, collaborates with nearby farms to build healthy and resilient food systems.
- Farmland located within a 100-mile radius of the metro-Atlanta area is acquired and leased to farmers, offering a 10-year pathway to eventual ownership.



HOW DOES EMORY BENEFIT?

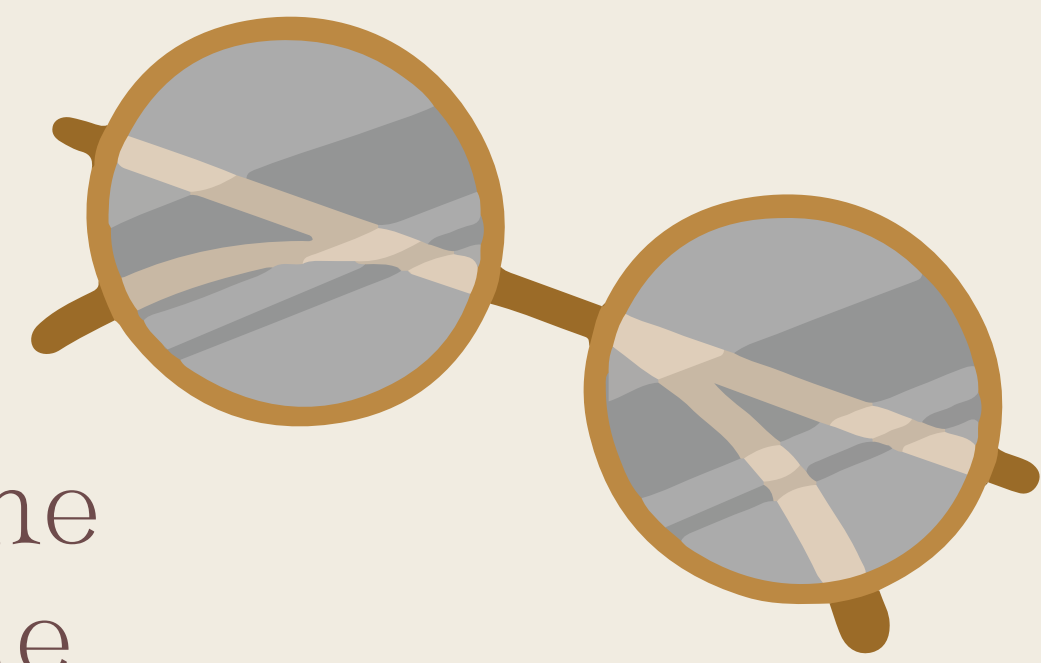


- In addition to supporting small-scale, local farming and offering farmland to historically marginalized groups in Atlanta—including Native Americans, African Americans, and women—this partnership also ensures Emory University has a dependable supply of locally sourced food.



“We hope,” says Monica Ponce from Love is Love Farm, “that people feel better knowing who is growing their food, that we are local and using best practices and fair labor standards.”


Pictured on the left is Monica Ponce in a newly purchased tractor on the farm.



There are many other benefits of the Working Farms Fund, including the following:

- Shorter distance from farm to table.
- Enhanced state economy.
- Diverse farmer representation.
- Decreased carbon footprint for Emory.
- Provision of nutritious, healthy food for students!





Pictured below: Russell Hondred checking on the field crops.



Pictured above: Emory's executive chef, Eric Battles, receiving the first delivery of produce from Love Is Love farm on Nov. 18.





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on The
Conservation Fund
Website!