

Waicahya Icacapi Kte - They Will Grow Into Producers: SFSl Expansion

Beginning Farmer Apprenticeship Program

Project Organization



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Anticipated Outcomes

- The development of a Farmer Rancher “feeder program” established to prepare youth for farming apprenticeships.
- Apprentices earn a living wage and prepare for a sustainable career that addresses local needs of food scarcity and lack of employment opportunities.
- Rosebud Reservation builds on Food Sovereignty efforts, preparing five additional beginning farmers and ranchers annually to become local providers that are able to contribute at local farmers markets and in-farm direct-to-consumer sales.

Overall Goals

- Increase the number of beginning farmers and ranchers on the Rosebud Indian Reservation and in surrounding South Dakota Communities.
- Enhance the successes and sustainability of beginning farmers and ranchers by providing them and their families with the knowledge, skills, and tools needed to make informed decisions.

