



The purpose of Etzel Sugar Grove Farm is to establish sustainable, economically viable permaculture farming practices and create champions of nature through education and replication of these practices.

The seed funding campaign supports Indian Creek Nature Center's three-year Phase 1 goals to begin operating Etzel Sugar Grove Farm as an organic and permaculture farm. This timeline and budget supplements the case statement which provides the full vision for Sugar Grove Farm.

Naming opportunities are available at certain levels as detailed on the back. All gifts are made to Indian Creek Nature Center and are tax-deductible. Pledges are accepted over a maximum of three years.

Goals and Timeline for Phase 1 Completion

Goal	Timeline
Hire an on-site farm manager	Spring 2018
Conduct phase 1 fundraising and seed campaign	End of 2018
Collect baseline data for research	End of 2018
Begin livestock management	Chickens and goats will be added in 2018, with other livestock added in 2019 and 2020
Educate the public on the benefits of permaculture farming and increase gardening, farming, and other how-to programs	Begins Fall 2018, then ongoing
Educate the farmers and farm organizations on the organic certification process	Begins Fall 2018, then ongoing
Improve each ecosystem on the farm	Ongoing; wetland completed in 2018 and stream bank stabilization completed in 2019
Plant perennial crops in 8-acre field	Beginning Spring 2019
Create a master site plan	Completed by June 2019
Certify the 8-acre field as organic	Completed by Spring 2021
Grow ICNC's credibility in sustainable agriculture	Ongoing

Phase 2

Phase 2 of the Etzel Sugar Grove Farm project will involve a capital campaign to ensure that the resources exist to build upon the start-up success of Phase 1. In addition to expanding the organic farming operation to include the 72-acre field at the permaculture farm, Phase 2 goals will include implementing a college-level research and internship program in order to further educate the up and coming change-makers about the benefits of restorative agriculture. In keeping with the strengths of ICNC and the vision of a fully operational permaculture farm, the organization will conduct recreational and educational programming for a variety of demographics, including farmers, schoolchildren and environmental enthusiasts. And as a "working permaculture farm," the community will benefit from the sourcing of crops to mainstream, larger scale purchasers, such as restaurants and grocery stores.

Budget

ICNC has identified the following budget priorities for Etzel Sugar Grove Farm:

Three-Year Operating Expenses	
Farm Manager salary, taxes, and benefits	\$107,685
Occupancy (utilities, supplies, taxes)	\$50,000
Administrative & fundraising support	\$30,000
Animal car, food, and supplies	\$25,000
Seeds, plantings, and agriculture-related starters	\$20,000
Organic certification fees	\$10,000
Signage & marketing	\$5,000
Consulting and education travel	\$4,500
Miscellaneous expenses	\$7,815
Capital Expenses	
Farm Machinery	\$65,000
Vehicle Equipment	\$40,000
Nutrient reduction wetland	\$20,000
Tool benches, tools, etc.	\$20,000
Livestock trailer	\$15,000
Livestock start-up (equipment and animals)	\$15,000
Equipment trailer	\$5,000
Miscellaneous expenses	\$10,000
Endowment	
Endowment Funds	\$50,000
Total Budget Expenses	\$500,000

Naming Opportunities

Naming opportunities are available on each of these items. To discuss naming opportunities please contact Indian Creek Nature Center staff.

Organic Field (Reserved)	\$150,000
Farm Workshop	\$100,000
Skid Loader	\$75,000
Truck & Trailer	\$50,000
Wetland	\$50,000
Livestock Trailer	\$25,000
Chicken Coop	\$20,000
Apiary	\$10,000
Herb Garden	\$5,000
Picket Fence	\$5,000
Name a Goat (eight available)	\$2,500