



THANK YOU FOR GROWING WITH US

WHY GROW & BUY LOCAL? IT'S CLIMATE ACTION ON YOUR PLATE!

When you choose local food, you're cutting the invisible "food miles" tied to long-distance shipping (planes, trucks, and cargo ships that guzzle fossil fuels). Instead of burning fuel to haul food across continents, local farms shorten the journey from field to fork—slashing carbon emissions and keeping dollars local and in the USVI.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE GROW & BUY LOCALLY?

- 🌱 Less Transport = Less Pollution: Food in the U.S. travels an average of 1,500 miles before it's eaten. Local produce skips the long-haul trip, shrinking your meal's carbon footprint.
- 🌱 Fresher Food, Healthier Planet: Shorter supply chains mean fewer refrigerated trucks and packaging waste—both big climate stressors.
- 🌱 Soil That Saves Us: Small farms often use regenerative practices (like cover crops) that trap carbon back into the earth, reversing damage.

SPOT THIS LOGO? YOU'RE A HOLDING LOCAL, VI MADE, & CLIMATE-FRIENDLY PRODUCT!



This sticker marks food grown close to home, so you can vote with your wallet—for fresher flavors, stronger communities, and a more resilient, less volatile and safer planet. Every bite counts.

ROOT CHECK

While 'local' can mean within 500 miles in the states, in the U.S. Virgin Islands, it means grown in the USVI or as close as possible to our territory—keeping food miles minimal and our community rich with possibilities, more food secure, and also more resilient.



SUNSHINE CURRICULUM & VISAE

a homegrown program rooted in the Territorial Ag Plan to strengthen food security & sovereignty.



The Sunshine Curriculum & VISAE:
Rooted in Our Land, Growing Our Future

Career & Technical Student Organizations



Organizing Supervised Agricultural Experiences for all Agricultural Professionals,
Educators & Students in the VIDE

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CONNECT TO RESOURCES



CHECK IN

CURRICULUM & QUARTERLY INQUIRIES: SHARE, REFLECT, GROW

The Quarterly Inquiries are your quarterly check-in form for sharing, reflecting, and growing together. Whether you want to share a great lesson, offer insight on a lesson you've adapted, or seek support on a challenging topic, the Quarterly Inquiries are where collaboration takes root. This is a place to grow students, plants, and comprehension in your classroom – where your questions and ideas can inspire others and where you can find the encouragement and resources you need. Complete the form each quarter to reflect on what's working, explore new strategies, and connect with fellow educators who are passionate about sustainability and agricultural education.



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- **QUARTERLY INQUIRIES:**
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/EEQXr9XdSt>
- **JOIN SEEDS OF SECURITY COUNCIL:**
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/59szhKyCJu>
- **BULK SEED ORDER FORM:**
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/Zcjm9KgiAa>
- **CTSO INTEREST FORM:**
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/PyKWtD8b9f>