

Shared Gifting Circles 2011 – 2015

RSF Social Finance’s goal is to transform the field of philanthropy by bringing collaboration, transparency and community wisdom into the grant-making process and fostering relationships that will change the way the world works with money. We do this through Shared Gifting Circles, which give ownership, distribution and allocation authority to the recipients of gift money.

Sustainable Food and Agriculture North Carolina, 2015

In September of 2015, RSF held its fifth Shared Gifting circle in Durham, North Carolina. RSF partnered with borrower Eastern Carolina Organics to bring together 12 organizations focused on building a regional, sustainable food system in the Triangle Area. The total amount of funding distributed between the non-profits—which ranged in mission, needs, size and scope—was \$120,000.



Art Service Organizations Los Angeles, 2015

In January of 2015, RSF held its fourth Shared Gifting circle in Los Angeles, CA. RSF partnered with two borrower clients, 18th Street Arts Center and LA Stage Alliance, to bring together six organizations focused on providing service and infrastructure support to the arts community. During a full day meeting these groups shared their personal stories, reviewed grant proposals, and allocated \$50,000 to support each other’s work.



**Sustainable Food and Agriculture
Philadelphia, 2014**

In the fall of 2014, RSF hosted our 3rd Shared Gifting circle in Philadelphia, PA. Twelve local sustainable food and agriculture non-profits participated, sharing a pool of \$100,000. This group came ready to collaborate and ended up putting aside a portion of the money to raise matching funding to support their work together!



**Sustainable Food and Agriculture
Skagit County, 2013**

In the fall of 2013, RSF held its second Shared Gifting circle in Skagit County, WA. Eight local non-profits, in the field of sustainable Food and Agriculture, were invited to participate in the collaborative granting process to allocate a pool of \$120,000.



**Sustainable Food & Agriculture
San Francisco Bay Area, 2011**

In February of 2011, RSF hosted the first Shared Gifting circle in the area of sustainable Food and Agriculture in the San Francisco Bay Area. These groups met to collectively allocate \$50,000 in a day-long process of sharing and collaboration.

