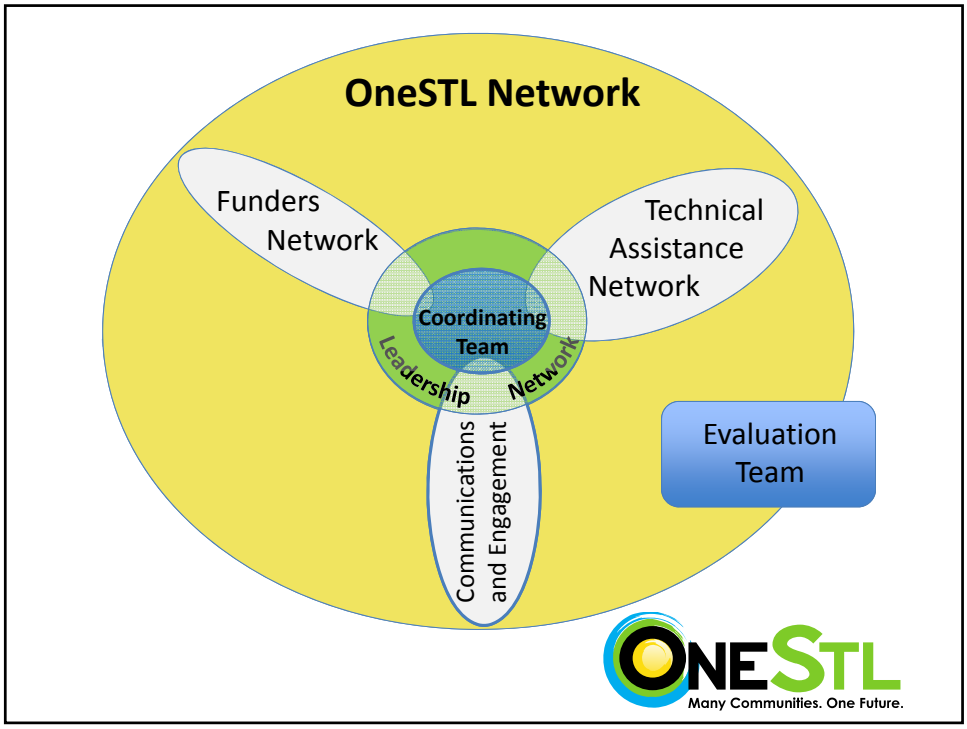

Some Initiatives in the Works

Green Infrastructure	• East-West Gateway • Heartlands Conservancy	• MSD • Missouri Botanical Garden
Community Development System	• Community Builders Network • Rise	• Metro St. Louis Community Reinvestment Act Association
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Green Government Challenge	• Sustainable St. Louis • East-West Gateway	• St. Louis Regional Chamber • Missouri Botanical Garden
Regional Food System/ Healthy Living	• Rise • Gateway Greening • Trailnet	• Missouri Coalition for the Environment • Missouri Foundation for Health
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- Civil Legal Assistance - Legal Services of Eastern Missouri Updated 7/28/2015
- EarthDance Farms – Farm School Youth Jobs Updated 4/23/2015
- Empower Missouri Task Forces Updated 4/23/2015
- Green Dining Alliance Mobile App Updated 8/21/2015
- Green Spiral Tours Updated 4/23/2015
- Metro East ReLeaf Project Updated 4/23/2015
- Mullanphy Emigrant Home Updated 4/27/2015
- St. Louis Earth Day Updated 8/21/2015
- St. Louis Regional Community Development System Updated 7/27/2015
- The College School - Jan Phillips Learning Center Updated 5/19/2015
- Upper Mississippi River Basin Sustainability Report Updated 7/23/2015

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EarthDance Farms – Farm School Youth Jobs

In a Nutshell

EarthDance is a 501c3 non-profit organization that operates an Organic Farm School on the oldest organic farm west of the Mississippi. Located in a peri-urban neighborhood of North St. Louis County, the historic Mueller Farm was established in 1883, before the City of Ferguson (in which the farm is located) was founded. Earthdance is seeking donations to expand their youth work programs.

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In 2014, EarthDance launched THREE new youth programs to better serve the young people in our community and introduce them to fresh ways of thinking and living:

1. **Work Experience Program** - in partnership with the Ferguson Florissant School District, we serve as a job site for students in the Special School District, ages 15- 19. Monday through Friday in the spring and fall, EarthDance trains young people each morning in a variety of farm and culinary skills - from harvesting sweet potatoes to making a farm-fresh meal.
2. **Junior Farm Crew** - in May we hired 8 Ferguson teens for part-time jobs on the farm this summer. 20+ hours each week, these young people became an integral part of farm. The Junior Farm Crew prepped beds for planting, served samples at the Taste in Ferguson event, weeded the fruit tree nursery, practiced public speaking skills by giving culinary campers a farm tour tasted and learned how to cook new vegetables sowed seeds and transplanted seedlings developed confidence in themselves and their community.
3. **Catch Healthy Habits** - in partnership with Coach Al Harrold's Strength & Honor Summer Camp and OASIS - St. Louis, elementary-age boys from Ferguson came to the farm each Tuesday this summer to learn healthy habits from active seniors. All enjoyed eating healthy snacks, playing physically challenging games, and discussing healthy habits.

Through our youth programming, EarthDance is empowering young people with job skills and confidence while offering a way to get involved in positive community change. Youth developed an increased awareness of the importance of sustainable farming and appreciation of nature, while trying new fresh foods and developing healthy habits. Further, we believe that they will go on to educate their peers and inspire changes among friends and family through their own examples.

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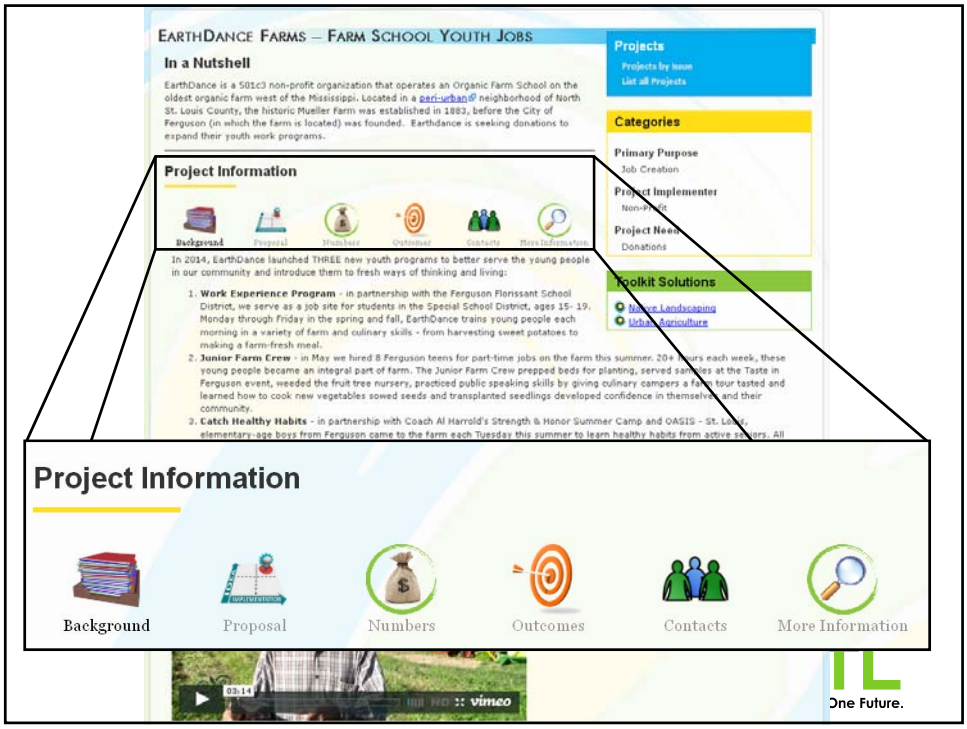
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