

# 36 Years in the Making: SCLT's Approach to Rhode Island Urban Land Access

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# SCLT's 36- Year History in Urban Agriculture



*Southside Community Land Trust's mission is to provide access to land, education, and other resources so people in Rhode Island can grow food in environmentally sustainable ways and create food systems where locally produced, affordable, and healthy food is available to all.*

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
& SURROUNDING AREAS**



**SCLT Urban Agriculture Properties & Tenure Arrangements**

***SCLT owned & managed:***

- City Farm
- Somerset/Hayward Community Farm
- Sky Hill Farm (*also contains a City- owned parcel leased to SCLT*)
- Community Gardens: Applegate, Brattle, Dexter, Glenham 1 & 2, Greenwich, Janes St., Mystic Miner, Potters 1 & 2, Prairie North, Sideyard, Somerset, Wilson

***City of Providence owned, leased to SCLT to manage:***

- Charles St. Community Farm
- Manton Bend

***Other***

- Galego Court (*owned by Pawtucket Housing Authority, managed by SCLT*)
- Peace & Plenty Garden (*owned by St. Joseph's hospital, leased to and managed by SCLT*)
- Urban Edge Farm (*owned by RI Department of Environmental Management, leased and managed by SCLT*)
- Laura St. (*owned by ONE Neighborhood Builders, leased to and managed by SCLT*)

# Current Urban Ag Property Pipeline

	Lease	Own	Easement	Garden	Farm	Programming
Somerset/ Hayward		X	X		X	X
Galego	X			X	X	X
Garfield Park	X			X		
Charles St.		X	X	X	X	
75 Laura St.	X			X		
46 Laura St.		X		?	?	
101 Somerset		X		?	?	

# Somerset/Hayward Community Farm

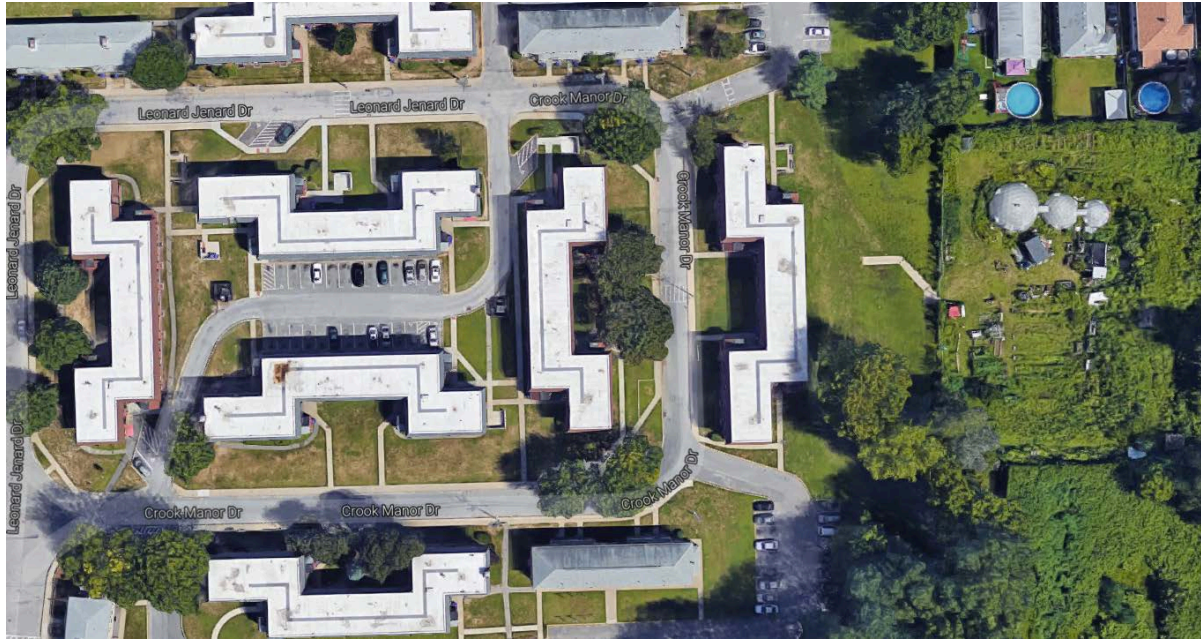


*2015, Initial conditions*



*June 2017, first year of production*

# Galego Community Farm, Pawtucket



Galego Court Housing Complex



Galego Community Farm

# Laura Street Community Gardens



# Some Lessons Learned

- Hybrid models and adaptability
- Long term tenure
- Creating a management structure that empowers gardeners/farmers
- Leveraging public + private funding
- Investing in good infrastructure



*SCLT Youth Staff spreading soil at the Somerset Hayward Community Farm, summer 2016*



# Thanks!



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