



# South Kingstown Land Trust Farmland Protection with USDA NRCS

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## KLIT has protected 11 farms with NRCS

Initial projects in 2003-2004 - 3 farms protected with funding from NRCS Farm and Ranchland Protection Program (FRPP)

Additional 7 farms protected from 2006 - 2017 under NRCS FRPP program

One farm protected with NRCS ACEP - ALE in 2019

Another farm project awarded and in process now



# <LT Farms Protected with NRCS Funds

11 farms protected with NRCS funding support

- ▶ NRCS provides 50% appraised CE value
- ▶ Often apply for 25-30% of CE value from RI ALPC
- ▶ Landowner donation component

Total funding contributed - \$2.97 million

297 farmland acres protected with NRCS funds in  
11 projects



## Observations on the Program

Changes to the application and/or program generally occur annually

There is a lot of paperwork

Since ALE program implemented, easier process and dedicated specialist assistance

- ▶ Proposed changes for 2020 help even more

Opportunity to access farmland funding unmatched

