



# A Humanitarian Project for Community Economic Development

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**Host Rotary Club:** RC Kathmandu

**International Partner Club:** RC Cranbrook Sunrise

**Cooperating Organization:**

Sanskriti Farms & Research Centre

## The Challenge

- Agriculture employs 61.2% of Nepal's workforce (World Bank, 2023)
- Contributes 21.19% to GDP (MoF, 2024)
- Rs. 205 billion spent on agricultural imports (NRB, 2024/25)
- 70% of fruit consumed is imported (TEPC, 2024)
- 24.8% of children under 5 are stunted (NDHS, 2022)

## Traditional Farming In Nepal Is

- Limited to maize and wheat
- Nutritionally and economically insufficient
- Highly labor-intensive



## This initiative supports families in rural Nepal by:

- Introducing high-nutrition crops - fruits, nuts and vegetables
- Training farmers on sustainable methods
- Building water harvesting systems and sun tunnels
- Creating access to local Farmers' Markets

*Empowering Agriculture, Enriching Lives*

## The Impact

- Have supported and trained over 120 families
- More than 5,000 saplings planted including kiwi, pear, apple, passion fruit, and citrus
- Sun tunnels and Rainwater ponds constructed for year-round growing Local Farmers' Markets introduced for sustainable income
- Reduced food imports and improved nutrition in rural communities



## Monitoring & Evaluation

- Led by RC Cranbrook Sunrise and RC Kathmandu in collaboration with Sanskriti Farms & Research Centre.
- Regular feedback and support visits
- Focused on Sustainability and community ownership

## Impact Stories

*"Now, I can grow food for my family and sell the surplus in the market. I don't have to leave my village for work anymore."*

— Project Participant, Kavre District



## What Next?

- Project expansion in more communities and schools in the Kavrepalanchok District
- Fruit trees, Sun tunnels & Greenhouses, Rainwater Harvesting, Bee Hive & Agricultural Tools distribution
- Food Forest initiatives in local Schools
- Training and Capacity-building workshops on Organic Farming, Bio-pesticide preparation, Tree Plantation and care, Bee Farming, and Finance Management
- Market Value Chain Creation and Marketing

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## Partners in Action

**Sanskriti Farms & Research Centre (SFRC)**  
**Promoting Sustainable Agriculture in Nepal**

Location: Phoolbari, Kavrepalanchok, Nepal

### Key Focus Areas

- 🌱 Demonstration & training on Organic & Climate resilient farming
- 🌍 Research Collaborations with Local and International Organizations and Universities
- 💧 Innovations in Rainwater Harvesting, Biochar Utilization, Wastewater Reuse, and Fruit Forest Development

