You are invited! ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING & FARMER PITCHFEST Saturday, February 29th, 2020

Dear Slow Money members,

Thank you again for joining Four Corners Slow Money and making it possible for us to raise over \$32,293 in our first year and make our first loan of \$3,000 to Adobe House Farm!

We are excited to invite you to our Annual Member Meeting & Farmer Pitchfest in exactly ONE WEEK!

Add it to your calendar and invite a friend (or two!) to our community potluck and farmer presentation for 0% loan requests.

Saturday, Feb 29th at 4:30 - 6:30 pm Manna Soup Kitchen, 1100 Avenida del Sol

Please bring a dish to share with others.

We are thrilled to announce that five incredible farmers applied for loans for a total amount of \$30,095! They really need our support to grow their farm businesses and continue to provide food for our local communities!

(Please see the farmer applications attached!)

We have \$27,000 available to lend. We would love to be able to fund all 5 farms, yet we are short by \$3,095.

If you know of anyone that is thinking about joining, please let them know ASAP. Our website is: www.fourcornersslowmoney.org

We encourage you to check out the Facebook Live video interviews that Linda has been doing with the farmer applicants! You can watch the videos here: www.facebook.com/pg/FourCornersSlowMoney/

Reminder to existing members, your donation from 2019 is part of the funds that are being offered as loans in this round.

Renewal of your membership would be appreciated at the potluck and those funds will go towards the loans made later in 2020 or in the Spring of 2021.

If you want to contribute towards helping us fund existing farms, you may do so at the meeting on the 29th by making this clear when you make this donation.

Agenda:

4:30 pm

Potluck and social time.

Renewal of membership for next round of loans.

5:00 pm
Beginning of farmer presentations (5 minutes each)
Q&A from members to farmers
Vote on allocation of funds

We are grateful for you taking the time to join us. Our goal is to be done by 6:30 pm.

To adhere to this, please keep your comments brief and ask questions that are aimed at clarifying details about the farm or what loan will be used for.

We know we are all busy, yet It would be hugely helpful if you came to the meeting having taken some time to read the applications submitted by each of the farms.

The applications are enclosed as an attachment if you wish to view them ahead of time.

Reminder of how voting works:

One member one vote (regardless of amount of donation).

Must be present to vote.

Vote must be unanimous for a loan to be made.

As you know we are all volunteers running this non-profit.

It has been an amazing experience to grow so quickly in such a short time.

In order to continue our growth and make it sustainable for all, we need support.

Consider joining us by volunteering for the following:

- Steering Committee (especially seeking farmers / growers!)
- Website and/or social media updating
- Fundraising with local businesses and individuals
- Recruiting new members

We do not meet unless it is needed and we keep our meetings as short as possible, otherwise we communicate via email.

Look forward to seeing all of you in person on the 29th and once more, receive our gratitude for your support!

Four Corners Slow Money Steering Committee

- Sandhya, Colleen, Pakhi, Linda, Susan, Kyler, Jason