

CASTANEA FELLOWSHIP

The Castanea Fellowship weaves local innovators together into a leaderful nationwide movement. We nourish their ability to shape our futures on land, on water, and in the halls of power.

In a food system left fragile by corporate interests and siloed approaches, we need leaders who build differently.

If you are a funder who...

- wants to strengthen the effectiveness of your work in food security, farming, fishing, climate, animal welfare and worker rights,
- and understands the importance of leadership development and cross-regional collaboration in your sector,

Consider sponsoring a place in our next fellowship cohort!

Contact krysten@castaneafellowship.org

$135,000 over two years supports:

- **A $40,000 award to catalyze each fellow's work**
- **In-person immersions to sharpen fellows' leadership practice, allow rest, and build solidarity between fellows and local organizations**
- **Virtual skill-building programs**
- **1:1 coaching**
- **Customized professional development and technical support**



"Castanea made so much possible, on multiple levels. I actually have an oyster farm now! We sold 50,000 oysters this year. It's phenomenal. When I started, it was just an idea, a goal, a vision. It was not realized and it could have gone a lot of ways. Castanea was like a vote of confidence and an invitation into community with others. Connection with other fellows gave me a different sense of what the universe is like in the food-justice movement world."

Xochitl Bervera,
Fellowship Cohort 3



Support A Nationwide Movement



63 Fellows and Alumni across the U.S.

6 hubs of immersion partners across the U.S. and 1 international

Join Our Community of Funders

ANGELL FOUNDATION

GRACE Communications Foundation

11th Hour Project
The Schmidt Family Foundation

Castanea's current core funding partners include GRACE, 11th Hour Project, Angell Foundation, and anonymous partners committed to a deep and wide bench of leadership for the coming generation. Castanea Fellowship is a fiscally sponsored project of Earth Island Institute.