



# Land Justice Futures

*Welcome! We will start in a few minutes.*

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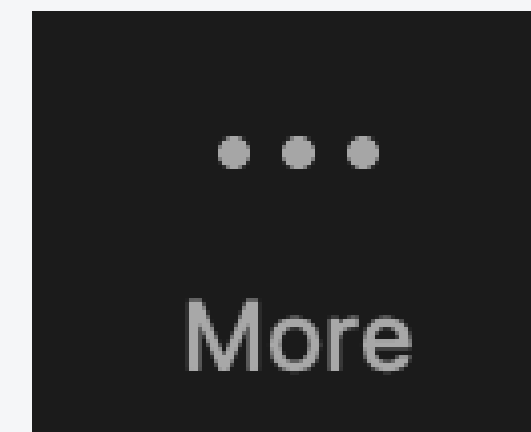
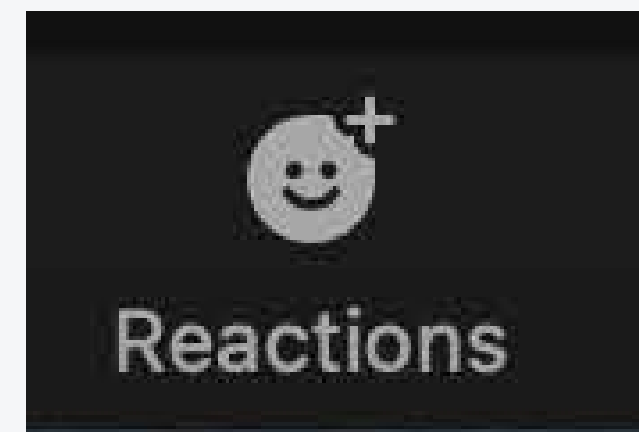
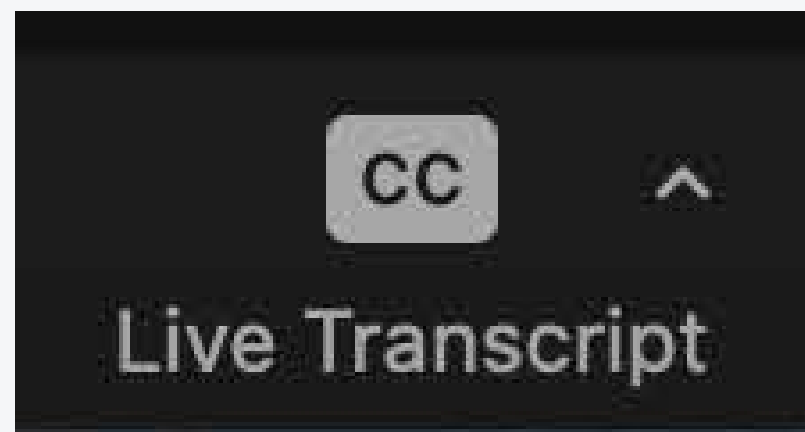
# Tech reminders

- Remember to mute yourself
- Tech needs?
  - Chat: Eric Anglada
  - Email: [anglada.eric@gmail.com](mailto:anglada.eric@gmail.com)

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# Helpful buttons

- Live transcript/CC
- Participate with the reactions button!
- Can't find something? Check "more"



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A woman with short white hair, wearing a white t-shirt and a patterned skirt, is walking through a field of tall green grass and purple flowers. The background is filled with dense green trees and a blue sky with white clouds. The scene is bright and sunny.

# Opening Prayer

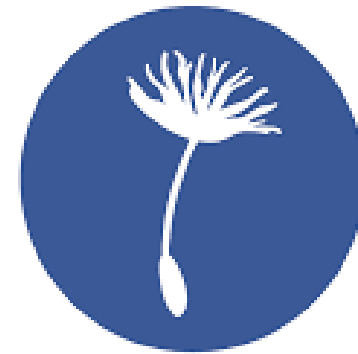
*Chris Louglin, OP*



# Gratitude to our Teachers & Partners



**Sustainable  
Economies  
Law Center**



**NEW ECONOMY  
COALITION**

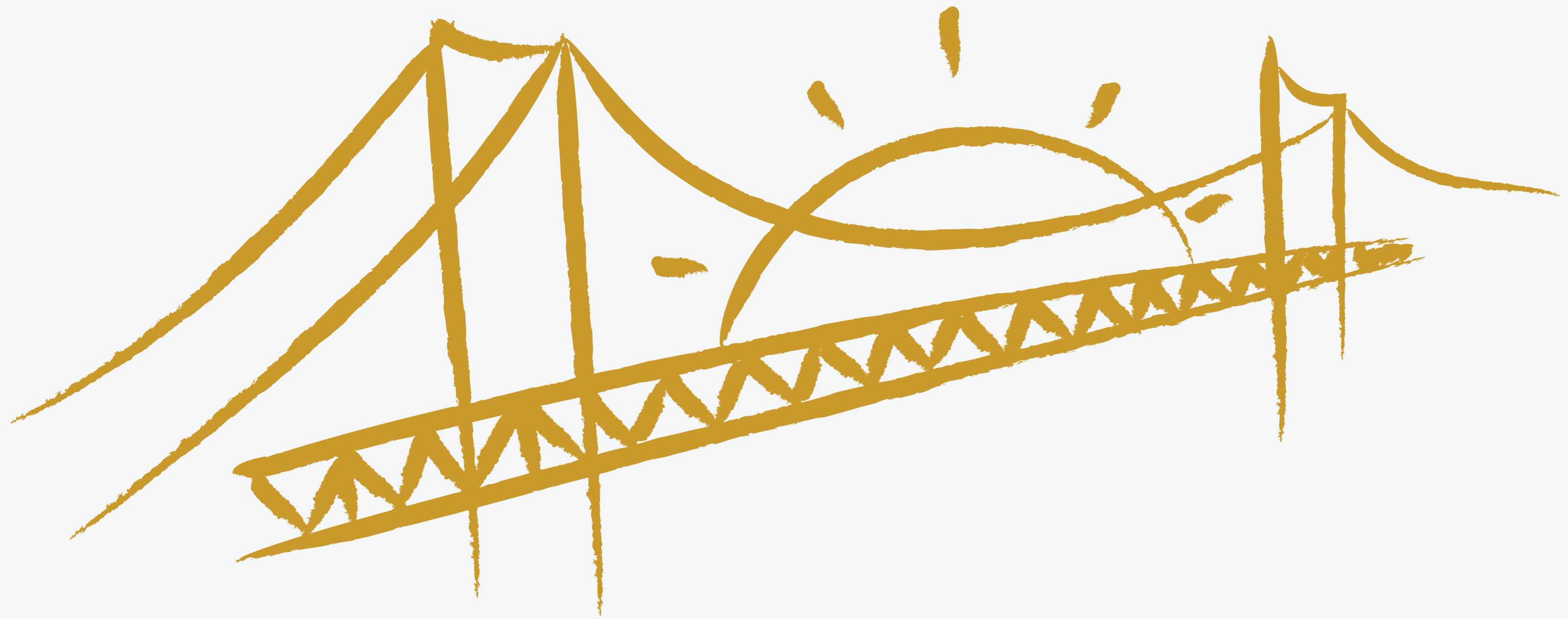


# Ways to connect

- **Extra discussion (30min):** Right after today's session! Just stay put.
- **Office hours:** March 17th from 4-5ET
- **Session recording:** Will be sent on Tuesday
- **Course questions:** [anglada.eric@gmail.com](mailto:anglada.eric@gmail.com)

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a bridge between "unlikely allies"



# Our North Star

A climate-resilient,  
racially just  
future.





# *Genesis Farm*



## *Why did the Sisters install a solar array?*

*As followers of St. Francis of Assisi,  
our way of life is expressed by  
living sustainably and caring for the  
earth and its resources. Our choice  
of renewable solar energy is a responsible  
way to meet our needs while saving energy  
for future generations.*

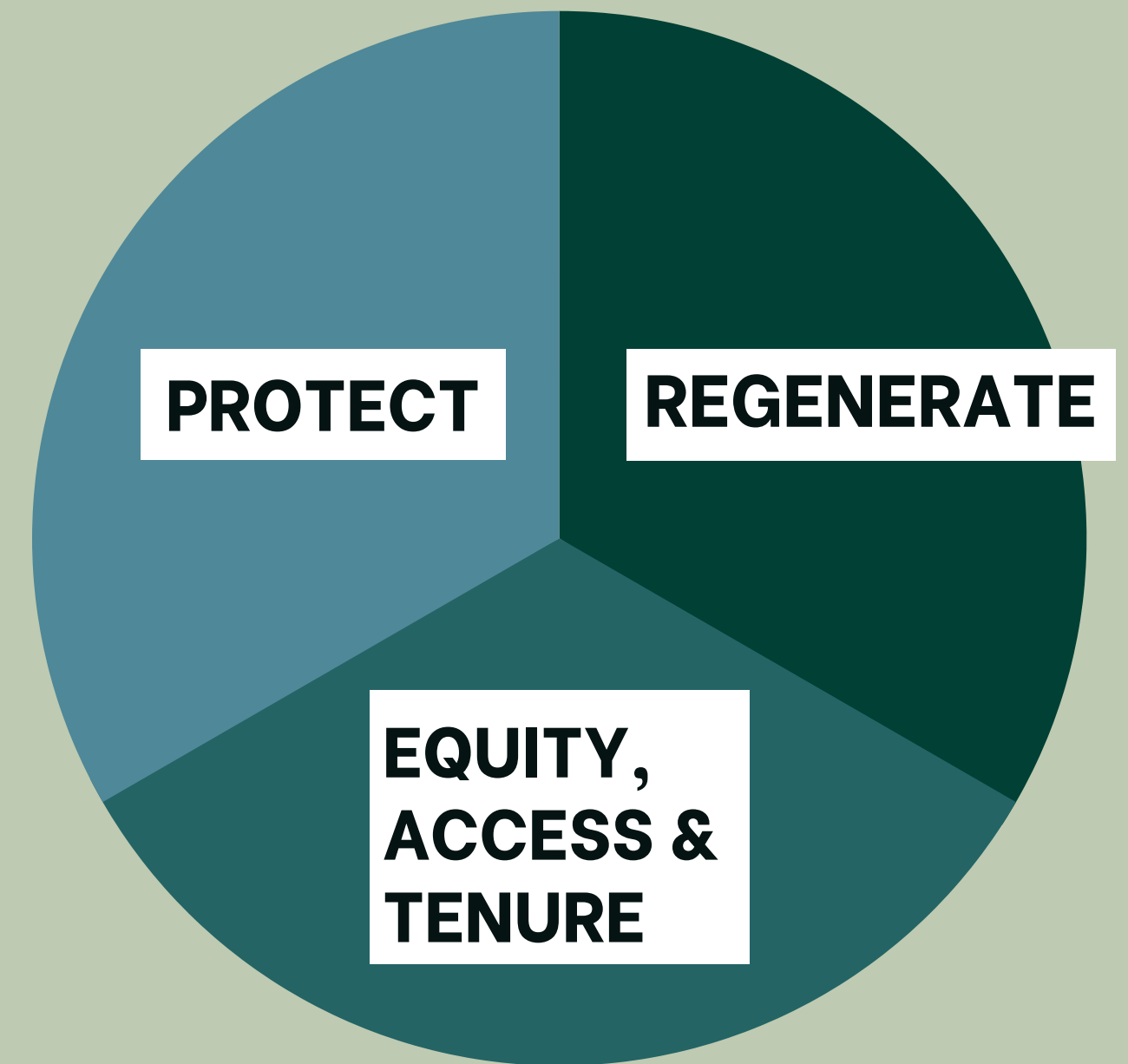


# Our Goal for this Course

- To **strengthen relationships and imaginations...**
  - *so that we can* **create new property planning options** that are ecologically & racially healing, and more creative, collaborative, and just.

# Our Goal for Land Justice

Protect and restore ecosystems, **while securing long-term affordable access, tenure, and equity to regenerative stewards** – especially those most oppressed by our current economic system and colonial history.



# The NN Land Justice Project

- We're organizers, not consultants!
- We're here to...
  - provide educational support
  - facilitate relationships
  - connect to more technical support

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# Our Invitation to **YOU**:

- Explore new ideas with an open mind.
- Co-evolve this journey with us.
- Share what you're learning with your consultants, partners, CFOs, and other stakeholders. Talk together about what's possible.

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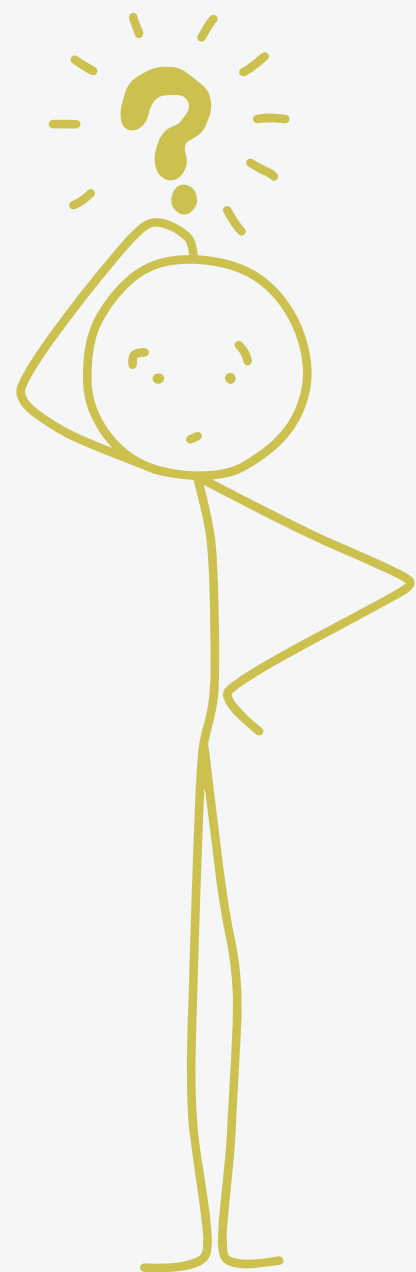
**Roll call! ;)**  
**Who's here?!**

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# Course Overview

1. This Crucial Moment: Land, Regeneration, Repair
2. The Roots of Land Injustice
3. Spirituality and Land Legacy
4. Meet the Stewards of a Climate Resilient Future
5. Nuts & Bolts of Land Justice Legacies

# So. What is land justice?



...and how is it different from environmental conservation or sustainability efforts?

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**1/3**



**1500  
acres**



**94**



A pair of hands is shown from a top-down perspective, gently cupping a small green seedling with three leaves and a small amount of dark soil. The background is a soft, out-of-focus grey. The text is overlaid on this image.

# "Hands on Lands"

**More than simply conserving land,** we need a new generation of stewards who will commit to practices that:

- heal the earth,
- rebuild soil health & sequester carbon,
- strengthen local food systems, and
- rebuild habitats.



# Frontline communities:

*the people experiencing the most destructive impacts of climate change.*

# BIPOC:

*Black, Indigenous, and people of color*



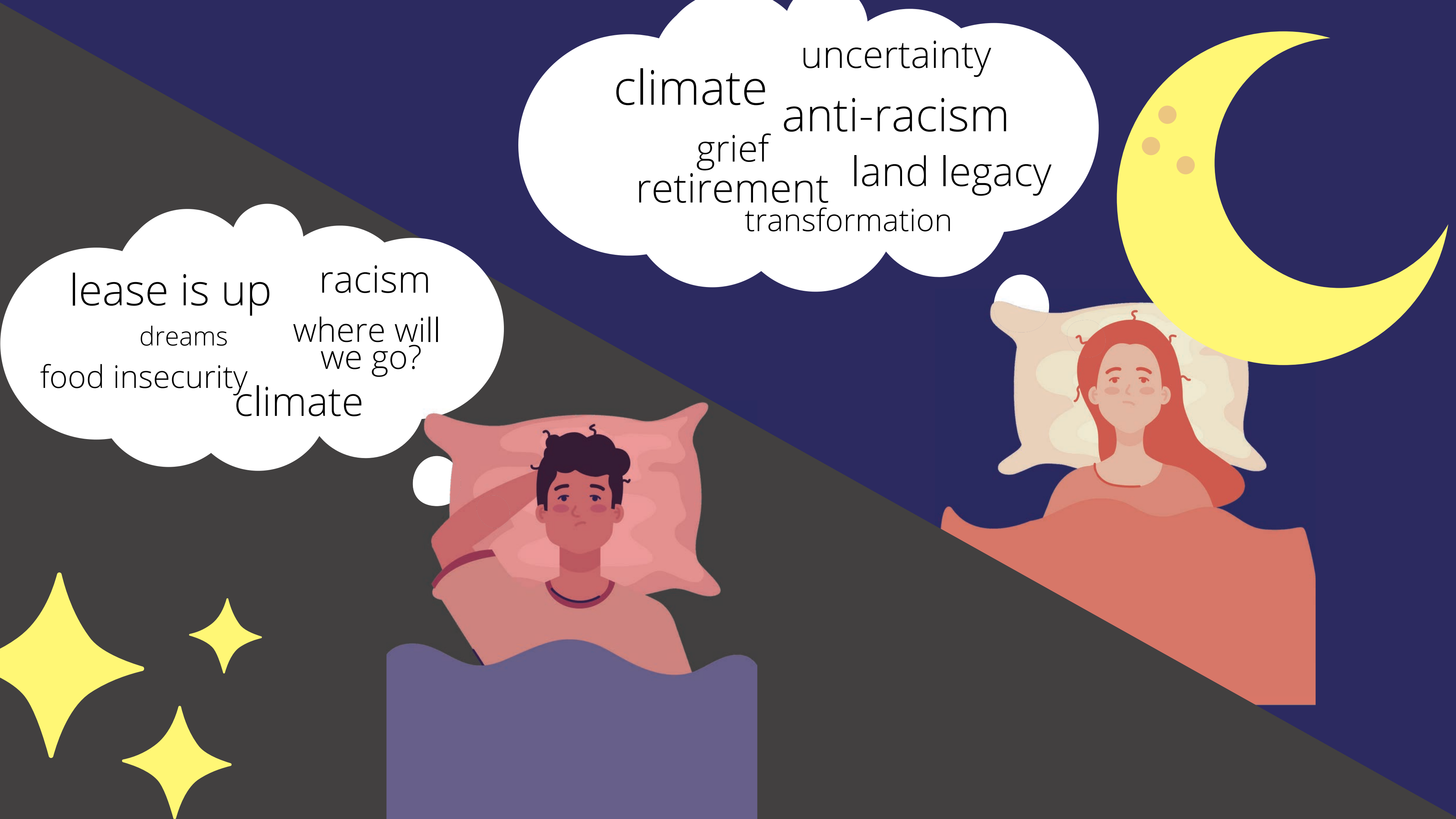
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**The most values-aligned stewards aren't likely to have access to land.**





climate uncertainty  
anti-racism  
grief  
retirement land legacy  
transformation

lease is up racism  
dreams where will  
food insecurity we go?  
climate

# Recap #1

- We must move toward **honorable relationships with land** that restore ecosystem health.
- **Regenerative stewards** will lead the way.
- But **land access, tenure, and ownership is a huge challenge.**

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# "Fair" Market Value??

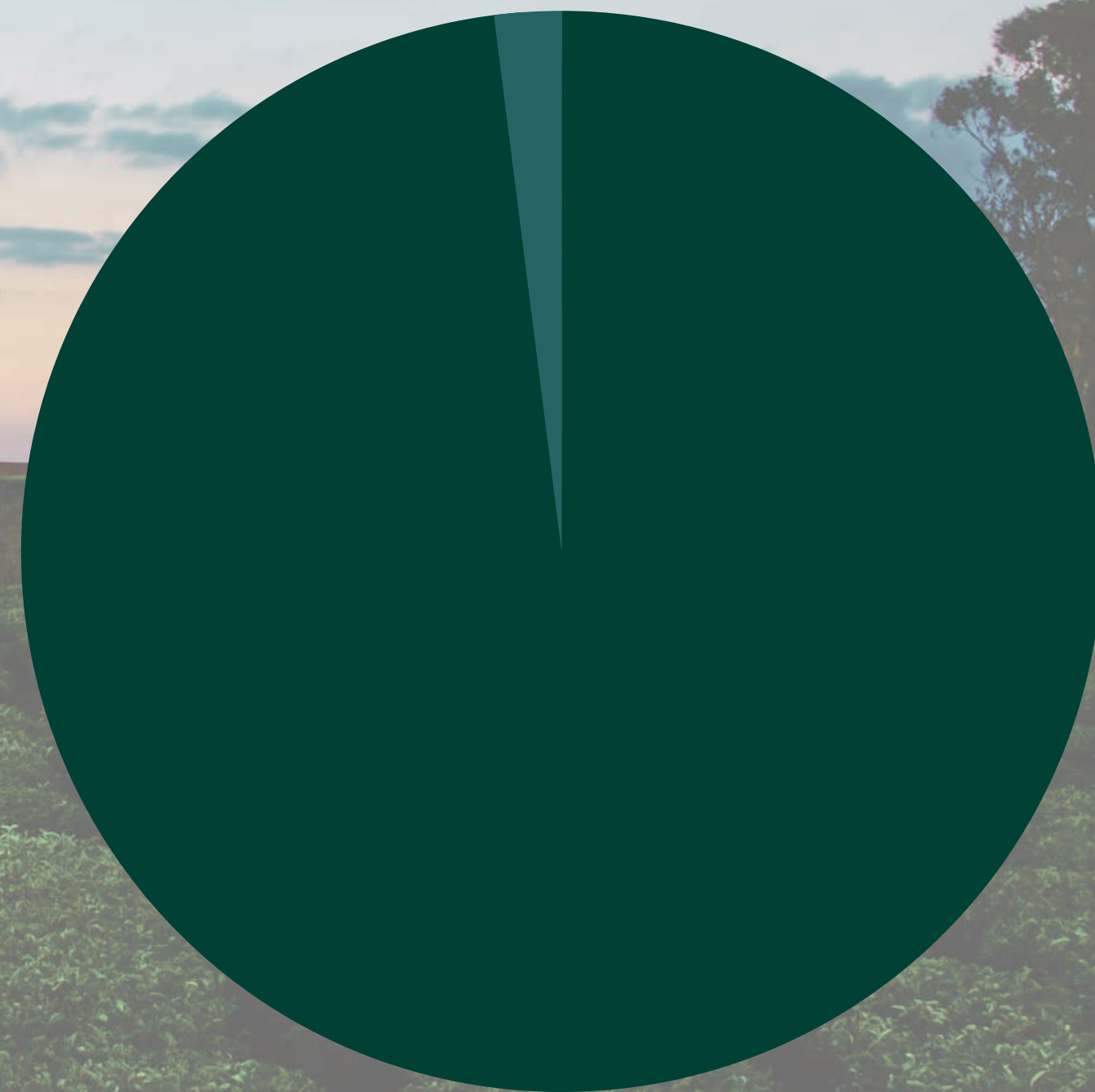


**\$147,000**

**\$3,500**



98%



# Recap #2

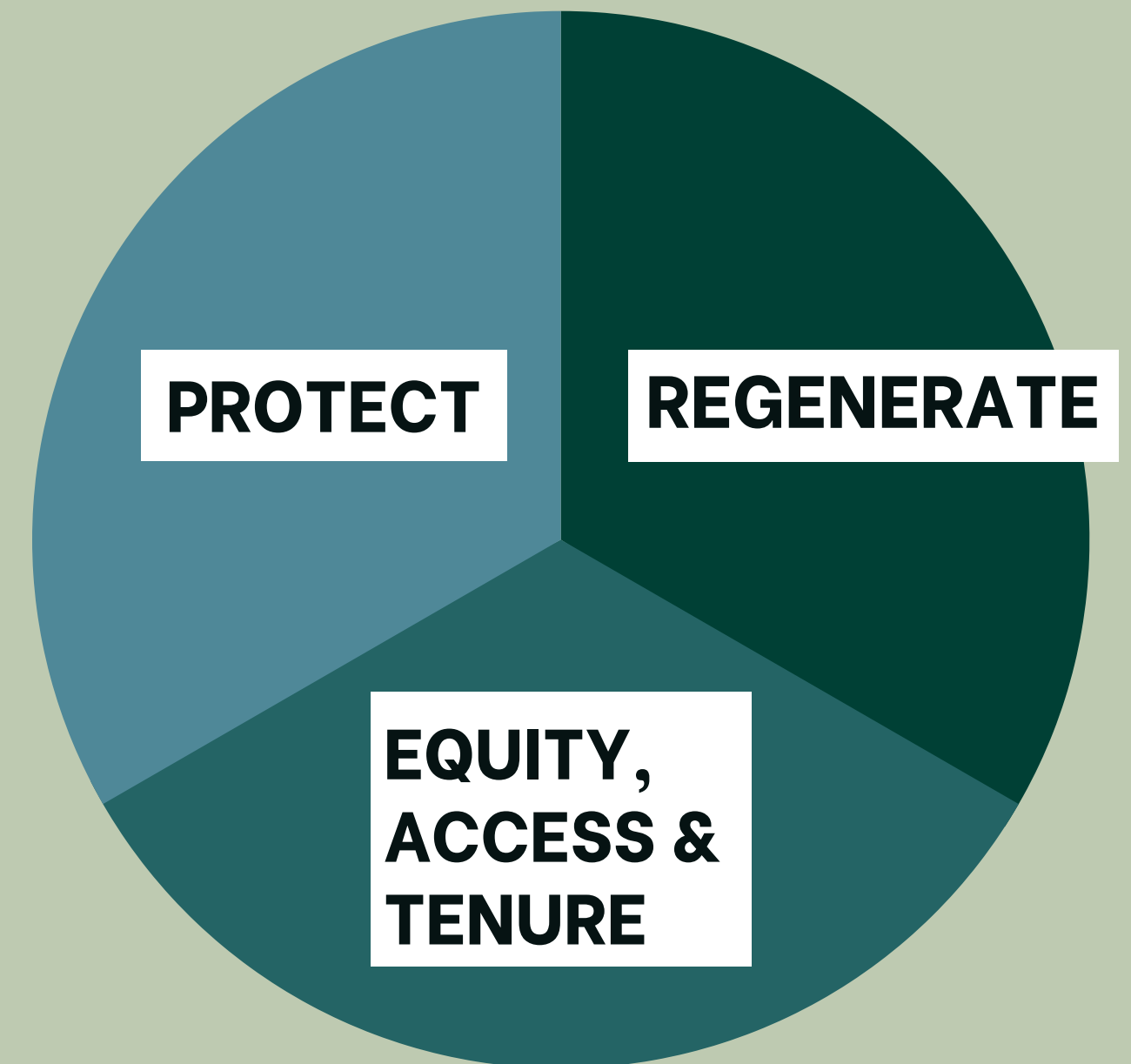
- Because of generational racism, most land is **owned by white people.**
- Generational **poverty is enforced** by a lack of access to land.
- We need options that don't exacerbate this system, but rather **heal its harms.**

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# Land Justice

is protecting and restoring ecosystems, **while securing affordable access, tenure, and equity to regenerative stewards** – especially those most oppressed by our current economic system and colonial history.



To achieve land justice, we need more **creative, collaborative, & just** options for property planning and transition.



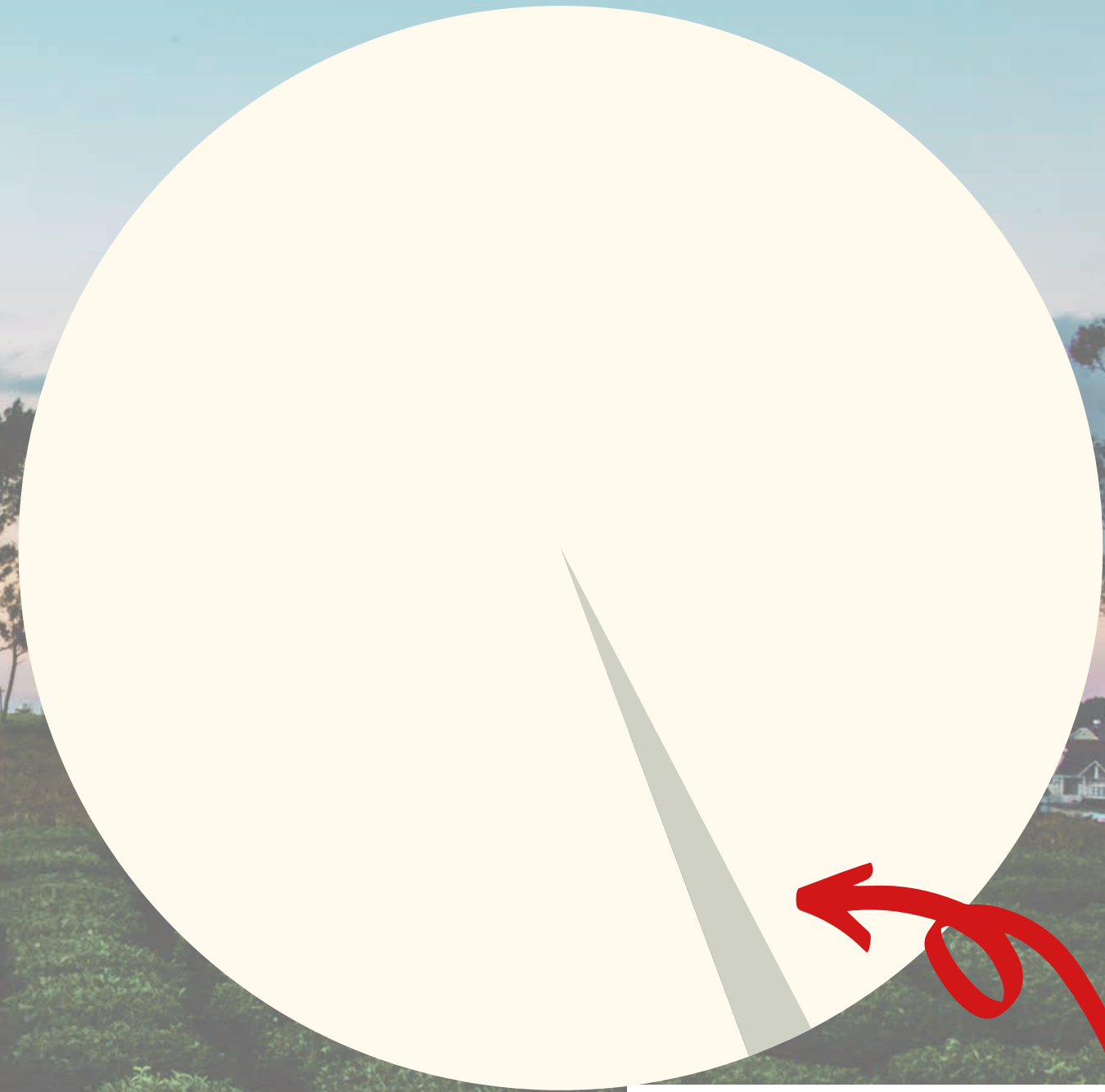








**BIPOC farmers**



**BIPOC landowners**

*\*BIPOC: Black, Indigenous, and people of color*





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**SELL**

**CONSERVE**

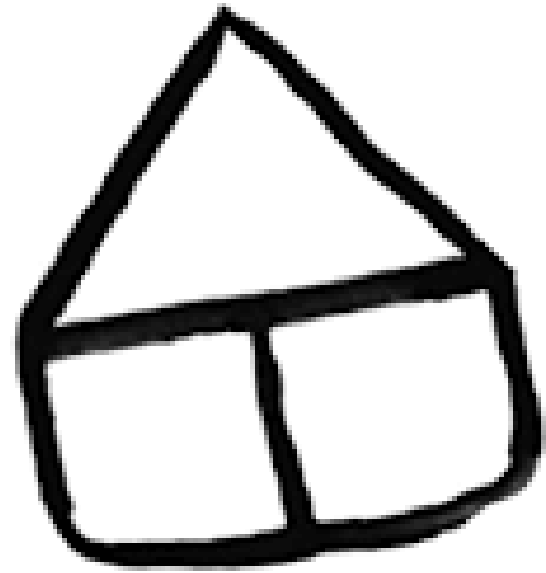


# Conservation Easements

A legal tool that restricts property use that threatens ecological conservation. Enforced by a third party (usually a 501(c)3 land trust).

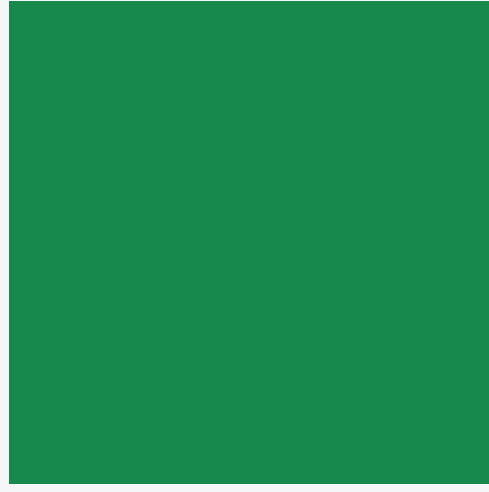
<b>DOES</b>	<b>DOESN'T</b>
Last in perpetuity, regardless of who owns the property title	Adapt or evolve over time
Protects the land from development, forever.	Expand land access, tenure, or ownership to his

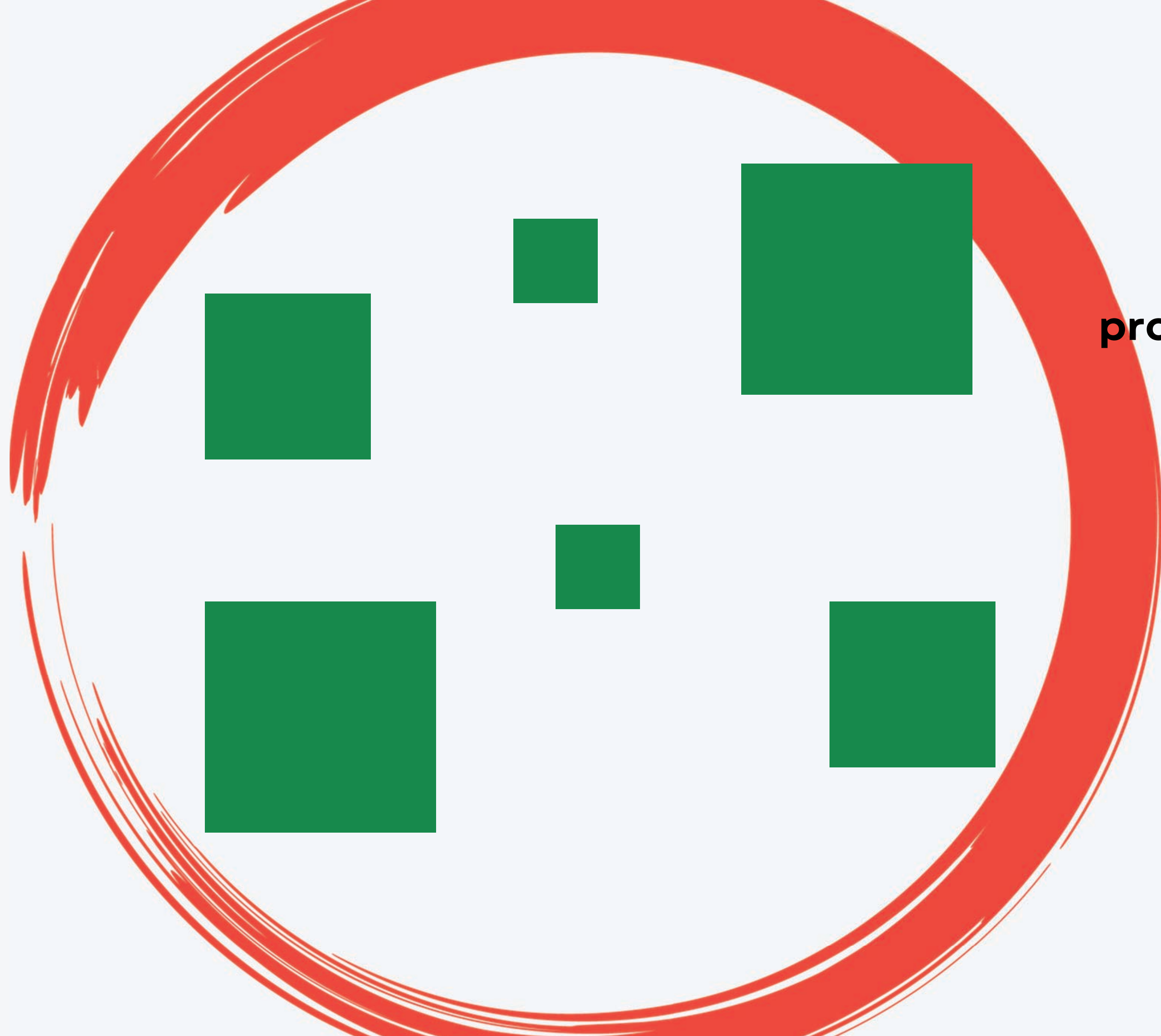




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TRUST

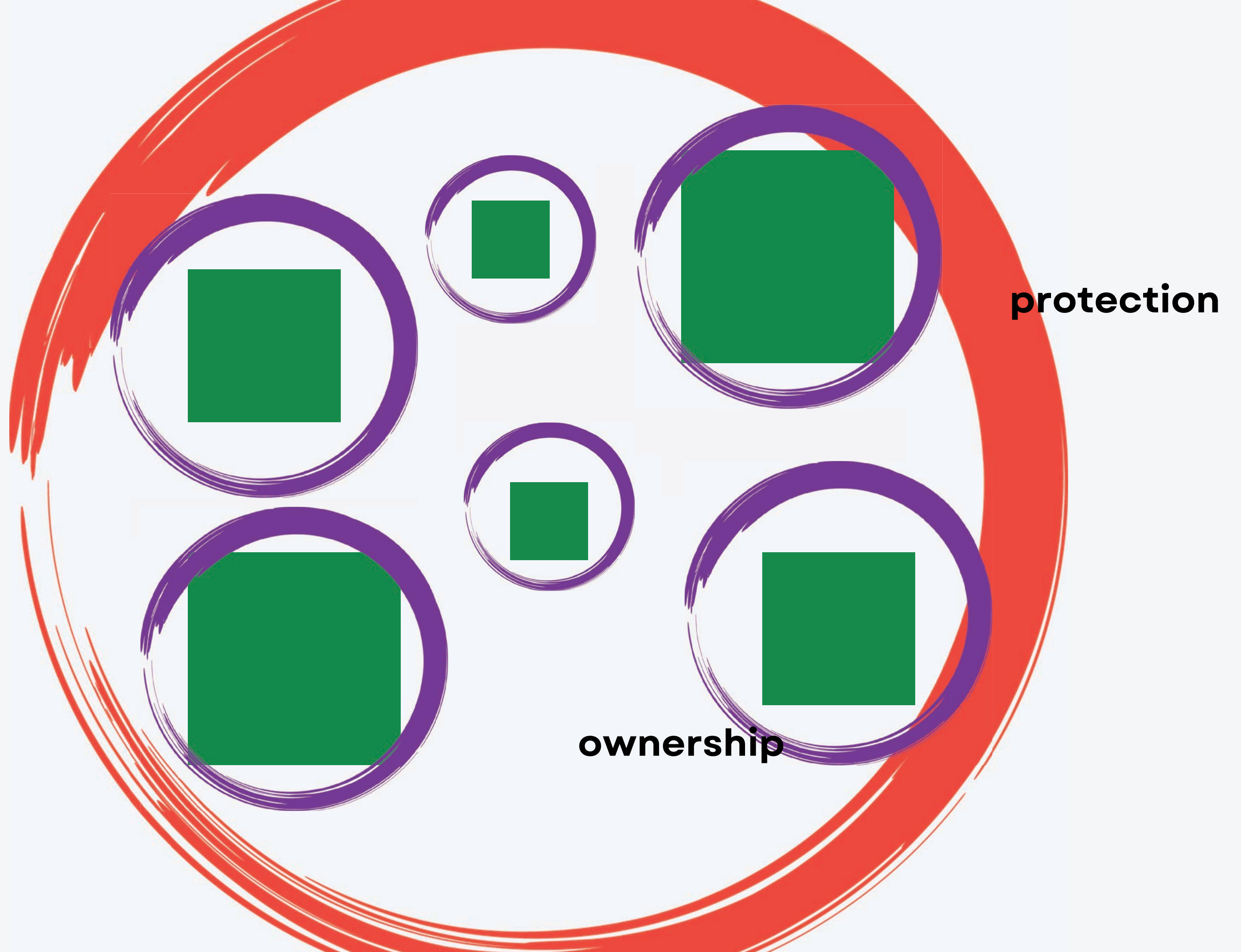






**protection**

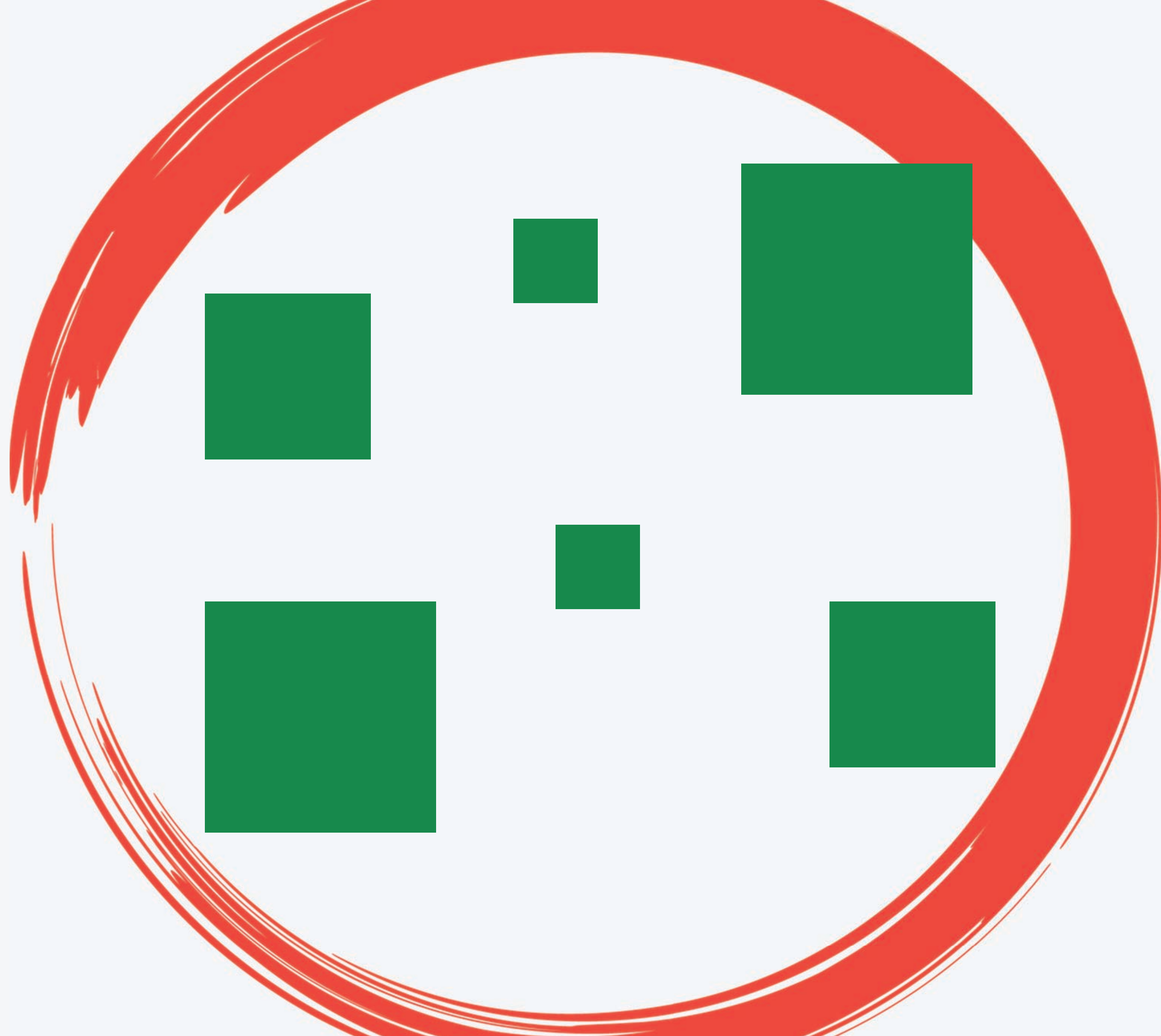


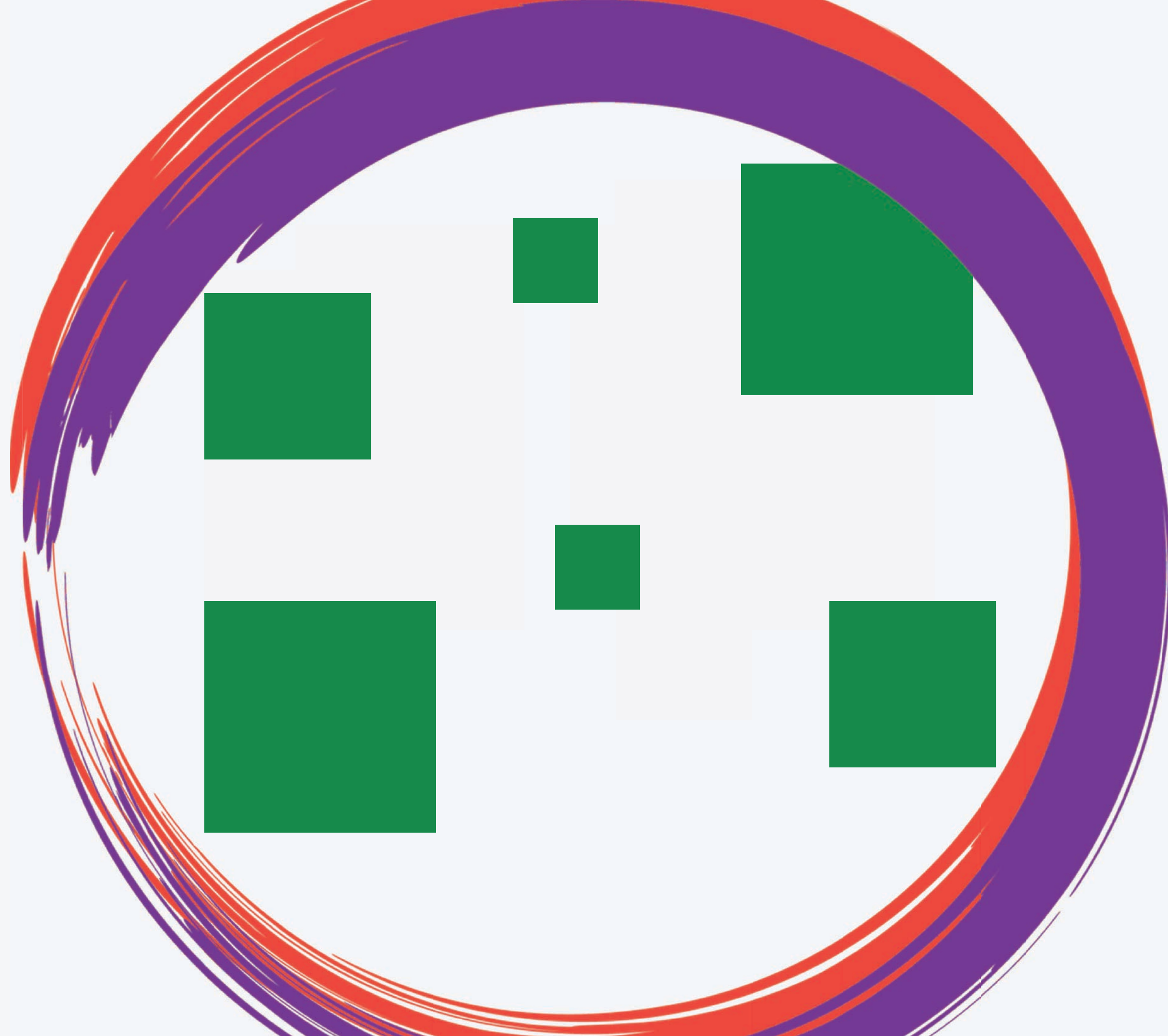


**ownership**

**protection**

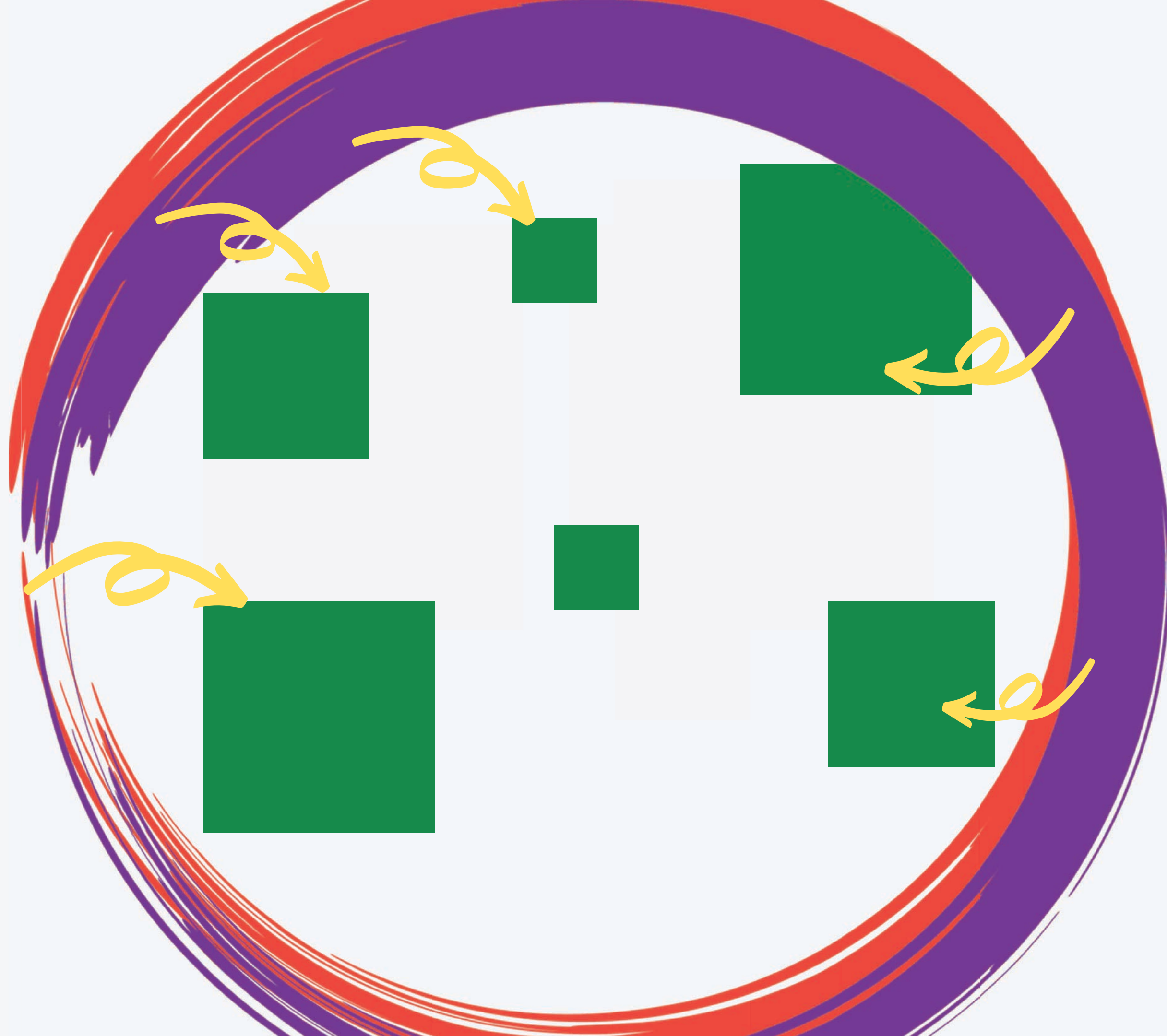




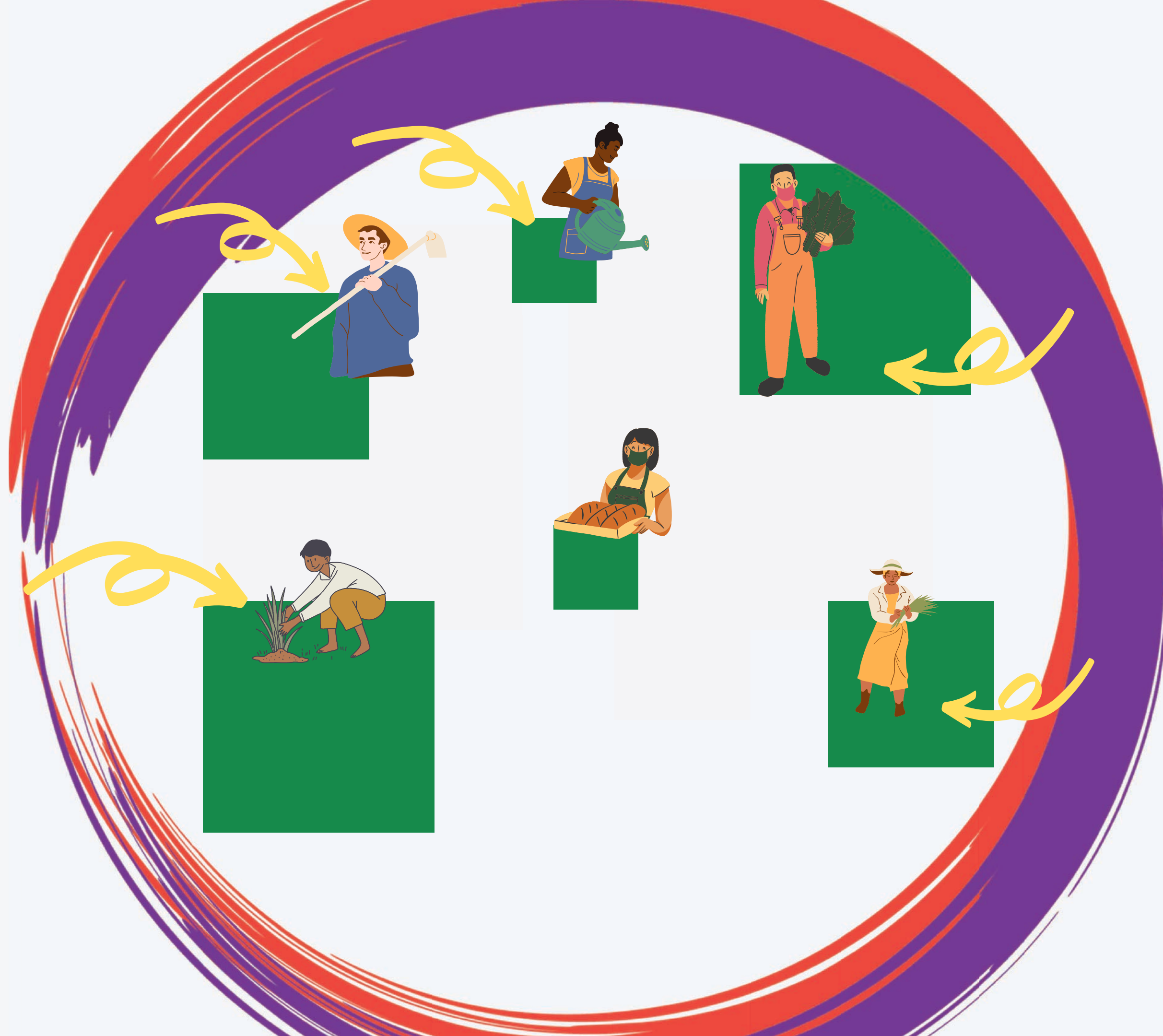




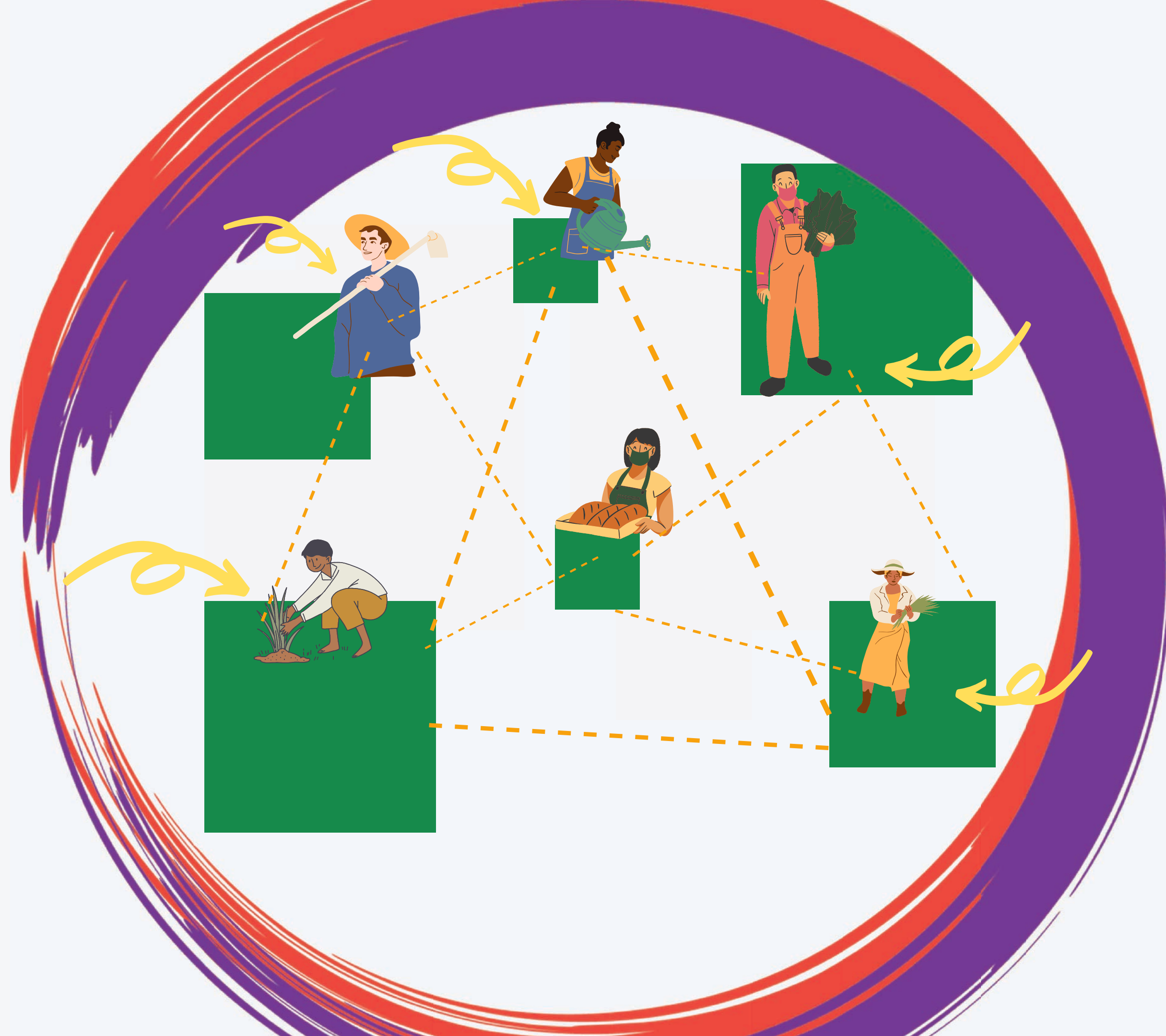
**99 year lease**

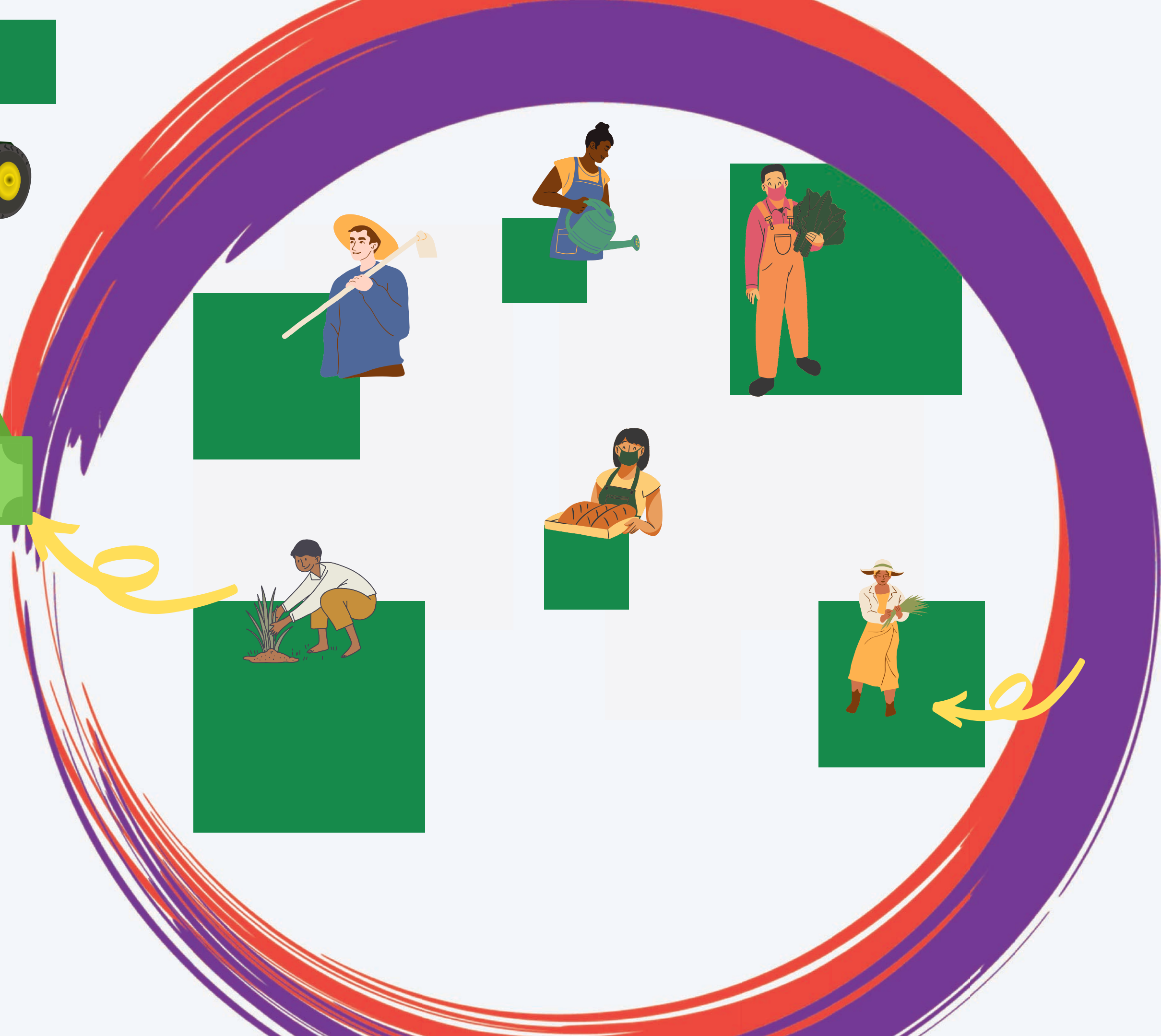
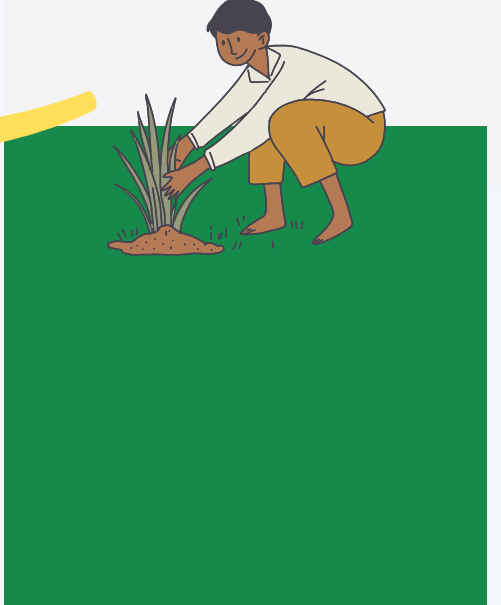


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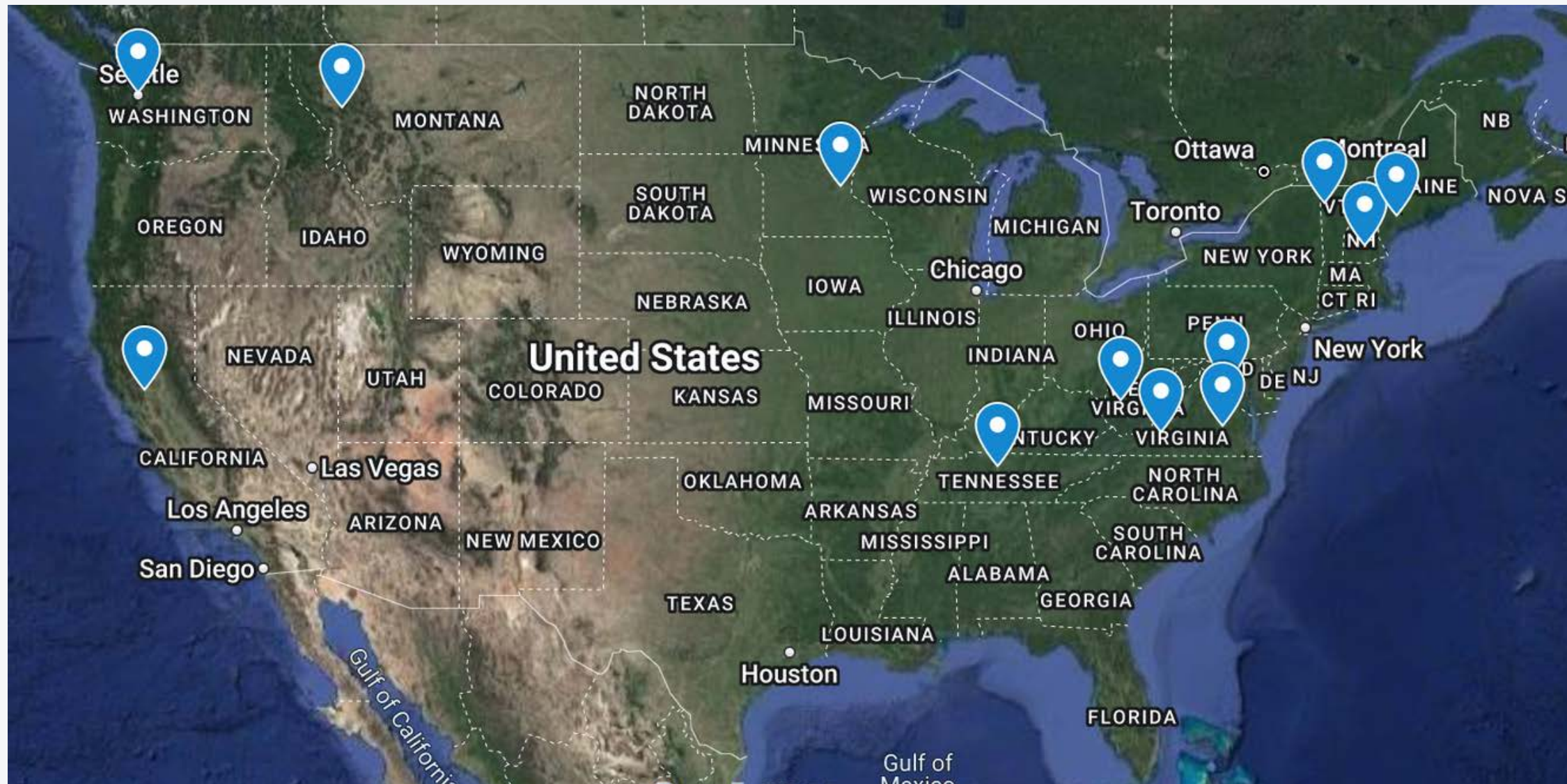






# Agrarian Commons

Providing secure, equitable, long-term tenure to  
regenerative stewards





# Meet Callie Walker





# Full donation (aka fee simple donation)








# Life Estate

(aka remainder interest)



arranging the donation, while reserving the ability to live out your days in place

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*Agrarian Trust and an Indigenous collective are raising funds to acquire a 64 acre farm and bring about a land repatriation project within the ancestral homelands of Nipmuc and Massachusetts People.*

## Fundraising at a glance:

\$1,875,000 total project budget (full info below)

\$1,100,000 raised

**\$775,000 needed for project completion**

Situated just 22 miles from the center of Boston, it is a rarity. It is relatively undeveloped, with diverse habitat and existing infrastructure to support agroecological stewardship and food cultivation. This 64-acre parcel is part of the Charles River Basin, a sacred river which continues to be a connection for seasonal ceremony and communal stewarding.

The vision for this land is to restore the matriarchal principles of earth-centered stewardship. This kind of stewardship:





# Things you can do:

- **Determine a price below market rate** that still covers your needs, but makes land more accessible. (**NOTE:** 501c3s *can sell below market rate* if aligned with their mission.)
- **Proactively seek out** aligned stewards
- **Give groups ample time to fundraise.** Amplify their efforts.
- **Help secure creative financing options.**

# Break Time!

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# CONSCIENCE POINT







*Closing Prayer*

**Becky Hill-Genia**



# Announcements

**Immediately following:** Optional, 30-minute discussion window

**Walk-in office hours:** Thursday March 17, 4-5ET  
(and every off-Thursday between sessions)

**all at this same link!**

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# Next session

**Thursday, March 24, 4-5:30 ET back at [THIS LINK](#)**

## **The Roots of Land Injustice: Colonization, Racism, and Re-Imagining Solidarity**



This session will contextualize the legacy of racism, the Catholic Church, and land dispossession on this continent. By understanding the injustice of our current land system, we then begin to imagine land legacies rooted in solidarity and regeneration.

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### **Speakers:**

Deseree Fontenot and Sr. Priscilla Solomon, CSJ



# **Thank you!**

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**Thank you!**