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Rust Belt Riders

Co-Founded with Michael Robinson

2019 Climate Fellow



BIG BOLD IDEA

Reduce food waste and advance the economy in the U.S. Rust Belt by creating value-added products produced from discarded food.

ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

Rust Belt Riders' mission is to feed people, not landfills. It believes that communities can reach their full potential through transforming waste streams into valuable resources, using regenerative agricultural practices to derive carbon-sequestering products from discarded food. Rust Belt Riders also believes that what they do is as important as how they do it. To that end, Rust Belt Riders aims to build wealth and political power through employee ownership and democratic engagement.

PERSONAL BIO

Daniel Brown is the co-founder of Rust Belt Riders, an organization dedicated to transforming regional food systems through the creation of value-added products derived from discarded food. Prior to starting Rust Belt Riders, Daniel worked to promote public health, green spaces, wealth building, and community engagement. He has served on the Cleveland-Cuyahoga Food Policy Coalition, the Cuyahoga County Next Generation Council, and the U.S. Composting Council's steering committee for community composting. Daniel is a graduate of DePaul University, where he studied ethics. Daniel is a 2019 Echoing Green Fellow.

Issue area

Food and Agriculture

Organization/Fellow Location

Shaker Heights, United States

Impact Location

North America

United States

Organization Structure

For-profit

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