

TOOL: FARMLAND LEGACY LETTERS

Instructions: Please use this template as a guide to your legacy letter. You can print this document and fill it out by hand, download it as a word document from the link below, write in a separate document, or write by hand and mail to us. Your letter can be as long or short as you need. We would love it if you included a photo when you send us your letter! Please reach out to your Land Matcher or land@youngagrarians.org with any questions.

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Date:

To future generations of farmers,

SECTION 1: The farm basics (the nuts and bolts)

My farm is located here and is this many acres:

I have owned the farm since:

Enterprises on the farm include:

We used to raise these enterprises on the farm:

My farm has changed over the years in the following ways:

SECTION 2: Strongest memories and events (the heart and soul)

My strongest memories of the farm are:

I remember best these sights/smells/sounds/touches/tastes:

These events stand out as particularly important about the farm:

SECTION 3: Goal setting (the vision for the future)

My number one goal for my farmland is:

This is my very top goal because:

The following goals are also my priorities (although not my top goal):

These are important goals for me because:

SECTION 4: Conclusion (the parting gifts)

It is important that my farm is managed like this:

30 years from now, I want people to remember this about my farm:

Lastly, I want to leave you with this information:

Signed (or Sincerely, or another salutation of your choice):

Name: _____

Farm name: _____

_____ Yes, Young Agrarians may publish my Legacy Letter & photo in the Transition Toolkit

_____ Yes, Young Agrarians may publish my Legacy Letter & photo on the YA website