Section one: Who we are

Slow Food USA is part of the global Slow Food movement. In over 150 countries, 100,000+ members and volunteer leaders bring the Slow Food message to their homes and communities. We link the pleasures of the table to the ecosystems, economies, cultures, and communities that make this pleasure possible. We stand for joy and justice. ¹

Slow Food USA has adopted the following Guiding Principles, and all Leaders in our national network must abide by them as they interpret Slow Food values for their unique community.

Slow Food USA’s Guiding Principles

GOOD
We believe in the universal right to pleasure.
We cultivate and reinvigorate joyful connections to community, place, culture and tradition.
We believe food should taste good.

CLEAN
We are stewards of the Earth, protecting natural resources and biodiversity for future generations.
We respect the interdependence between people and the environment.
We promote food that is regional, seasonal, and sustainably grown.

FAIR
We seek fair compensation for producers and fair access for consumers.
We welcome everyone to the table.
We are dedicated to global solidarity.
We believe in humane treatment of livestock.
We represent Slow Food without ego or self-promotion.

¹ See ‘Slow Food Manifesto’ Appendix 1