

Dear friends,

The second quarter of 2023 was a **dynamic** and **intricate** period for Bean Voyage.

First and foremost, we have been focusing on building **dynamic initiatives** in collaboration with smallholder women coffee farmers. These initiatives not only deepen our impact but also expand our reach. We are delighted to announce the fourth cohort of our flagship program, the Resilient Communities Initiative. This program provides **training, mentorship**, and **seed funds** to **150 new farmers** in Costa Rica each year. To further strengthen community leadership, we have hired three new regional leads who will facilitate groups of 50 farmers in various coffee-producing regions of Costa Rica. Moreover, we are excited to share that we will be replicating this initiative in Mexico later this year.

Additionally, we are thrilled to host the **2nd Women Powered Coffee Summit** at the Doka Estate in Costa Rica. This event will serve as a platform for women in the coffee industry to connect, share knowledge, and collaborate. We have meticulously planned this summit to create a space that fosters equity and inclusivity in the coffee sector. **Join us** in this groundbreaking summit and be part of an inspiring movement!

Looking ahead, our vision for the future can be summarized in one word: "**expansion**." Building on our success with the Resilient Communities Initiative model, we are excited to announce the upcoming launch of the program in Mexico. This growth is a testament to the effectiveness of our model and the impact we have made in other regions. By partnering with local stakeholders and implementing sustainable strategies, our aim is to enhance the livelihoods of coffee producers in Mexico and promote a thriving and resilient coffee industry.

We are grateful for your unwavering support and commitment to Bean Voyage's mission.

Thank you for being part of our journey.

With gratitude, Sunghee and Abhi On behalf of the Bean Voyage Team

voyage so far

Amount in U.S. dollars

645

\$50,800

\$457,550+

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Smallholder Women Farmers Supported in Costa Rica & Mexico



Amount Financed in Micro-Grants



Extra Income Earned by Farmers



Social Return on Investment for every dollar invested in a BV program

Sip Sip Hooray: Three Exciting Updates

- Resilient Communities Initiative (CR): our flagship program in Costa Rica launched with the recruitment of 150 new smallholder women coffee farmers into the program, and the hiring of 3 regional leads to facilitate the training, mentorship, and seed funding for the producers to further work towards resilient farm businesses.
- Farmer Advisory Committee: we are excited to announce Bean Voyage's first farmer advisory committee, consisting of 5 alumni of Bean Voyage's program, representing all major coffee-producing communities of Costa Rica, and 2 board representatives from Costa Rica.
- Market Readiness Initiative (CR and Mexico): we exported a total of 31 tonnes of coffee from women-led farms in Costa Rica and Mexico. We source from a total of 97 smallholder farms (16 In CR and 81 in MX), with farmers on average garnering a total of 2.5x higher income than the current commodity market prices and the coffee will reach markets in the U.S, Canada, Europe, and South Korea



5 producer representatives of Farmer Advisory Committee and 2 members of the Costa Rican Board

Percolating Progress: Two Next Steps





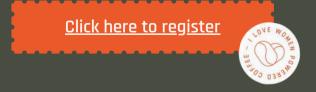
- Women Powered Coffee Summit (WPCS): we are excited to announce the official venue for the Women Powered Coffee Summit at the Doka Estate, Costa Rica from November 2-3, 2023. The Summit aims to highlight and connect women within the coffee industry, providing a platform for networking, knowledge sharing, and collaboration. It will be a significant opportunity to celebrate the contributions of women in the coffee sector and promote gender equality and inclusivity.
- RCI in Mexico: Our organization is gearing up to launch the RCI program in Mexico. Building on the success of the program in other regions, this expansion aims to enhance sustainability practices and support coffee producers in Mexico. Through RCI, we will collaborate with local stakeholders, implement effective strategies, and promote positive change in the Mexican coffee industry.

Stirring Change: One Ask

AUG 9, 10:00 AM EDT 4:00 PM CET

We invite you to join us for the town hall in August, where you will have the opportunity to connect with our team and learn more about our 3-year plan!

This interactive session will provide a platform for you to learn more about our 2023-25 plan, and connect with other supporters and advisors of Bean Voyage. Plus, you will get to meet the incredible team of Bean Voyage!





Brews and News



We published an initiative report for the flagship program, Sustainable Communities Initiative, detailing progress on the program and various learnings and next steps This comprehensive report provides valuable insights and key findings related to the initiatives.

Click here to learn more

three-year plan 3023-25

We are excited to publish Bean Voyage's 2023-25 strategy! A plan designed in partnership with smallholder women coffee farmers that have graduated our programs, and with advise and guidance of our advisors and Board aims to cover the key goals that the organization aims to track over the next 3 years.

attend the townhall to learn more

Upcoming Initiatives

Resilient Communities Initiative



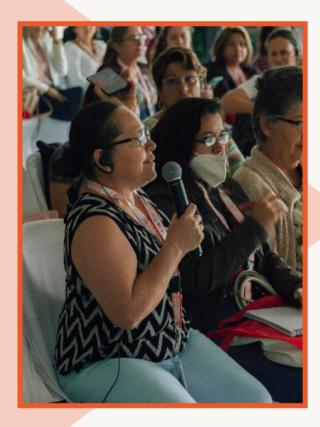
Providing 150 subsistence coffee farmers with tools and financing for resilient farm businesses.

Market Readiness Initiative



Supporting 100 step-up women farmers with tools and connections to access international markets.

Women-Powered Coffee Summit



Connecting 150 marketready women farmers with access to buyers and networks.

