

Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State

Minnesota Public Benefit Corporation / Annual Benefit Report

The Annual Benefit Report covers the 12 month period ending on December 31 of the previous year.

Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 304A

Read the instructions before completing this form Must be filed by March 31

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Notice: Failure to file this form by March 31 of this year will result in the revocation of the corporation's public benefit status without further notice from the Secretary of State, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 304A.301 1. File Number 1081513500031 2. Corporate Name: (Required) HENLTHY SHARE GRC 3. The public benefit corporation's board of directors has reviewed and approved this report. 4. In the field below, enter the information required by section 304A.301 subd. 2 or 3 for the period covered by this report, (see instructions for further information); Note: Use additional sheets if needed. (Required) ATTACHED 5. I, the undersigned, certify that I am the chief executive officer of this public benefit corporation. I further certify that I have signed this document no more than 30 days before the document is delivered to the secretary of state for filing, and that this document is current when signed. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath. JT Com Signature of Public Benefit Corporation's Chief Executive Officer 3/22/22 Date (Must be dated within 30 days before the report is delivered to the Secretary of State for Filing) **Email Address for Official Notices** Enter an email address to which the Secretary of State can forward official notices required by law and other notices: Check here to have your email address excluded from requests for bulk data, to the extent allowed by Minnesota law. List a name and daytime phone number of a person who can be contacted about this form: Jin Gehrke 507 469-5839 Contact Name Entities that own, lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed must register with the MN Dept. of Agriculture's Corporate Farm Program. Does this entity own, lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed? Yes No X

Annual Benefit Report of Healthy Share GBC

A Minnesota General Public Benefit Corporation

March 22, 2023

Healthy Share GBC was incorporated in 2019 as a General Benefit Corporation with a Specific Public Benefit under Minnesota's Public Benefit Corporation Act (the "Act"). Pursuant to Section 304A.101 of the Act, Healthy Share GBC's public benefit purpose as stated in its Articles of Incorporation is:

... to pursue a net material positive impact from the business and operations of a general benefit corporation on society, the environment, and the well-being of present and future generations. In addition to this general public benefit, Healthy Share GBC has elected to also pursue these goals:

- Developing economic opportunities for small, sustainable farmers and food producers
- Encouraging healthy eating patterns
- Making healthy food easily available and affordable
- Creating living-wage jobs
- Decreasing the environmental impact of food production and distribution

Our Board of Directors has elected to continue to use the same third-party standard – B Impact Assessment, developed by B Lab – used in last year's Annual Benefit Report and has continued to apply this third-party standard in a manner consistent with the application of this third-party standard last year.

Healthy Share GBC pursued the specific benefit purpose stated in its articles of incorporation in the following ways:

This corporation's primary means of accomplishing its goals is by successfully implementing its year-round "Healthy Share" subscription service, which makes locally grown and organic food readily available and affordable, and provides fair prices to sustainable food producers.

The following is a description of how we believe we succeeded in achieving the goals of our specific public benefit purpose:

• Successfully completed our third year of continuous service, making weekly deliveries of fresh produce that provide the variety recommended by the national Dietary Guidelines.

- Demonstrated that Minnesota consumers can adhere to the Dietary Guidelines while sourcing the majority of their food locally, despite the region's relatively short growing season; 68.5% of the food delivered to Healthy Share subscribers in 2022 was sourced from local farms.
- Created new economic opportunities for 25 small, sustainable food producers and a co-operatively owned organic food distributor.
- Encouraged healthy eating patterns by providing customers with the variety of fresh produce recommended by the national Dietary Guidelines.
- Expanded service to Prairie Island Indian Community, increasing access to nutritious foods for community members.
- Developed working relationship with non-profit Sharing Our Roots to provide opportunities for beginning and emerging farmers.
- Developed the "Rice County Eats" initiative, an effort to curtail local hunger with locally grown food.
- Completed work with a group of non-profits and public benefit corporations, documenting energy conservation opportunities provided by local food systems, and assessing energy conservation opportunities that would arise from advancing food sovereignty efforts among Minnesota's tribal communities.
- Hired first part-time employees, adhering to standard of \$15 an hour minimum wage.

The following is a description of what prevented us from achieving the specific public benefit purpose, to the extent we did not create the specific public benefit in this reporting year:

• Healthy Share GBC experienced its third straight year of growth in 2022 and was finally able to hire its first part-time workers, marking the first time the corporation was able to achieve progress on all five of its specified public benefits. The primary obstacle Healthy Share GBC faces at this point is raising awareness of its service and the benefits it provides in order to expand its customer base.

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Jim Gehrke

President, Healthy Share GBC

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