



# 2024 IMPACT REPORT



## **Overview**

Southeastern Grocers believes in the power of progress. Our annual Impact Report highlights our accomplishments over the last year in offering more sustainable products, furthering our eco-responsibility practices and building stronger communities.

Engrained throughout our efforts, our continued objectives are aligned with six key United Nations Sustainable Development Goals which address hunger, health, education, inequalities, responsible consumption and production and ocean conservation.

Our unwavering commitment to environmental stewardship, community well-being and purpose-driven operations continues to make a meaningful impact toward bettering our **people, product** and **planet**.



# People

## Awards

- Forbes' list of America's Best Employers by State
- 🕈 Forbes' list of Best Brands For Social Impact
- Great Place to Work® for the fifth year in a row
- Newsweek's list of America's Greatest Workplaces for Diversity
- Newsweek's list of Most Trustworthy Companies in America
- Progressive Grocer's Impact Award for Workforce Development/Employee Support
- U.S. News' list of Best Companies to Work For

### Great Place To Work® Certified NOV 2023-NOV 2024

## **Educational Scholarships**

SEG is dedicated to nourishing the growth of our associates by supporting their education goals with higher education scholarships.

**\$75,000** awarded in scholarships to 25 associates

## \$287,000

provided in scholarships since 2020

## **SEG** Cares

The SEG Cares Foundation is our internal charitable program voluntarily funded by SEG and generous associates to allow us to assist our people during their greatest times of need.



## **\$219,000 PROVIDED IN** ASSISTANCE TO OUR ASSOCIATES

\$127,000 of which supported those impacted by Hurricanes Helene & Milton



## **People** Charitable Giving

## **SEG Gives**

### 🕞 Disaster Relief

- Proudly partnering with the American Red Cross for more than 70 years, contributing over **\$15 million** to support its **lifesaving mission**
- Donated nearly **\$600,000** to help impacted neighbors

### 🚔 Fighting Hunger

- Hosted over **30 mobile food pantry events** to nourish local communities
- Donated more than **\$1 million** in monetary and product donations to combat hunger
- As of 2024, donated over **310 million** pounds of food through our Food Rescue Program since the start of our partnership with Feeding America®

## Military Families

- **\$550,000** donated to Folds of Honor, providing 110 educational scholarships for the children and spouses of fallen and disabled service members
- **11% Veterans Day discount** for veterans and active-duty military service members who shopped with us on 11/11





#### **Associate Volunteering**

55 community events in support of SEG's charitable pillars
661 associate volunteers



### Belonging, Inclusion & Diversity

- \$487,500 awarded to 50 local non-profit organizations working to address racial disparities in health care, food insecurity and education
- Nearly **\$1.6 million** awarded in funding since 2020 through SEG's Romay Davis Belonging, Inclusion and Diversity Grant
- Remembering Romay Davis: Our grant honors trailblazing Winn-Dixie associate Romay Davis, whose remarkable 104 years included service in WWII with the historic 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, earning multiple degrees from NYU, a career as a New York fashion designer, achieving a Taekwondo Black Belt and receiving the Congressional Gold Medal. We proudly carry forward her influential legacy of community advocacy beyond her death on June 21, 2024, to support future generations inspired by her values.



Romay Davis on her 104th birthday

## Product

Asian Pacific-Owned Spotlight Lola's Fine Hot Sauce

## Own Brand Growth

- 399 items added to SEG's Know & Love private-label brand
- 51 Know & Love products are organic with plans to expand the line

• Introduced a new line of Know & Love exclusive wines produced in partnership with family-owned and operated, Scheid Family Wines

- Certified sustainable through GLOBALG.A.P. and the Certified California Sustainable Winegrowing program
- 100% of winery operations are powered by renewable wind energy
- Surplus energy from the winery's wind turbine also powers 125 local homes

#### **107 INDUSTRY AWARDS EARNED** IN 2024 FOR PRODUCT QUALITY & INNOVATION

## **Supplier Diversity**

SEG continues to drive innovation in the grocery industry through our supplier initiatives, delivering exceptional value and cultural authenticity by expanding our offerings from companies owned by diverse communities, including women, Black, Hispanic, Asian, Native American, LGBTQ+, veteran and those living with disabilities.

- Diverse Supplier Endcaps
  - 65 stores added dedicated endcaps showcasing emerging diverse brands
  - Offer greater visibility to partnering brands by spotlighting supplier stories and their products
  - Create a destination for shoppers looking to support and shop diverse brands



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Rising

Crust

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Frosted Flakes

Lola's Fine Hot Sauce, inspired by the founder's mother, brings bold flavors and authentic family traditions to every bottle. Rooted in quality and made with the freshest ingredients, Lola's offers a hot sauce for everyone with a delicious, handcrafted taste passed down from mother to son.

14.6%

**YEAR-OVER-YEAR** 

INCREASE

FOR DIVERSE SUPPLIERS

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"Working with Southeastern Grocers has allowed us to share our values with a wider audience, while championing community inclusion and celebrating the rich cultural heritage that defines our sauces. This partnership not only supports our mission to deliver all-natural, gourmet products, but also strengthens our commitment to fostering innovation in the food industry."

Taufeek Shah, Founder and CEO

## Planet

We are committed to eco-responsibility, integrating sustainability both in stores and throughout the communities we serve. By continuously seeking innovative ways to minimize our environmental footprint, SEG is protecting the planet's resources and creating a healthier future for our neighbors.

## **Environment**

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations • 427,000 charges • Added three new charging stations



### **Energy Enhancement Initiatives**

- Replaced **16 roofs** with reflective and Wind Vented System (WVS) membranes, covering **795,370** square feet using salvaged and energy-efficient materials
- **61% of store roofs** now feature reflective materials, helping reduce greenhouse gas emissions from HVAC use
- Upgraded 16 parking lots with energy-efficient LED lighting

### ELIMINATED USE OF **1.38 MILLION**\* SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS THROUGH REUSABLE COMMUNITY BAGS

### 🖌 Waste

- Over 3.1 million pounds of plastic and 49,000+ tons of cardboard recycled
- 16.4% increase in paper savings through paperless receipts and reduced printing
- 18,906 devices responsibly recycled in 2024 through our work with ecoATM—a 19.1% year-over-year increase with a total of 23,582 pounds of e-waste properly disposed since the start of the partnership

**GARDENS, CLEANING UP LITTER** FROM BEACHES, GREENWAYS & MORE

• 15.3 million pounds of food diverted from landfills through our Food Rescue Program



\*Southeastern Grocers estimates one reusable bag will be used at least six times per year, and each time a reusable bag is used, it equates to five single-use bags not used; this means for every reusable bag that is sold, 30 single-use bags are not used.

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Transportation Optimization:



## Conclusion

Southeastern Grocers is dedicated to being the neighborhood grocer you can always count on to meet the needs of today, while fostering a better tomorrow for all. Through meaningful initiatives and impactful partnerships, we will proudly continue to empower our people to sustainably feed and enrich the communities we serve for years to come.



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