10 Billion
animals are slaughtered each year in the U.S.

Globally, animal agriculture uses about 77% of the world’s farmland, but only produces 18% of our calories.

Animal agriculture is a leading cause of deforestation and climate change.

While large scale farms emit high levels of greenhouse gasses, they are exempt from the Clean Air Act and the EPA does not place limits on the pollutants that come out of these farms.

Black and Latino communities are disproportionately affected by water and air pollution from factory farms.

99% of all animals raised for food in the U.S. are raised on factory farms.

Farmed animals are selectively bred to grow at unnaturally rapid rates. Pigs can live up to 20 years, but are slaughtered when just 6 months old.

The amount of water used to make one hamburger is equivalent to a month of showering.

Plant-based foods like lentils, beans, tofu, chickpeas, tempeh, quinoa, and seitan are all protein-rich.

By replacing half of meat and dairy consumption with plant-based options, we could cut agricultural GHG emissions by 31%.

FACTORY FARMING HARMs ANIMALS, PEOPLE, AND THE PLANET. Learn how you can make a difference.
We empower the next generation with knowledge and training to end factory farming.

**EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH**

*Teachers,* invite a New Roots Institute educator into your high school or college classroom for a dynamic discussion about the connections between industrial animal agriculture and current key issues impacting us all—including the consequences on animals, workers, the environment, and human health.

**LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

*Students,* explore our leadership development programs where you’ll learn about the problems and challenges inherent to factory farming, and take a leading role in co-creating solutions for real-world impact.

We’ve already empowered over 300,000 students to advocate for a just food system.