



2025 Annual Report

Pure KNF Foundation

"We exist to restore life through microbial awareness, education and action."

A Hawaii-based 501(c)(3) Educational Nonprofit
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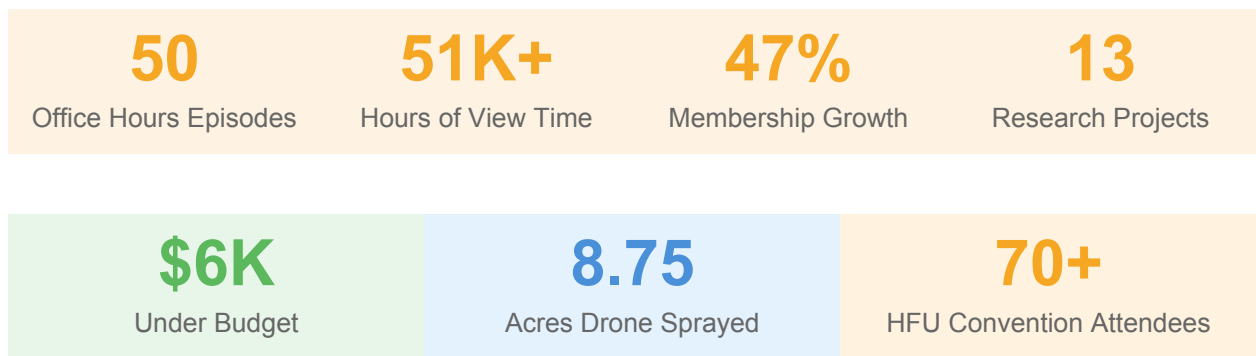
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Executive Summary

The Pure KNF Foundation is maturing as the premier organization promulgating the methods of Korean Natural Farming to the English-speaking world. We are a small, yet efficient organization that makes an abundance of contributions in key places to help the movement of regenerative agriculture flourish.

In 2025, we expanded our membership, invested in strategic resources to keep the organization focused on our mission, and operated primarily through Committees—each with their own purpose and objectives to fulfill our mission in a distributed yet cohesive manner.



Strategic Partners

ARIA Foundation — Our key fiscal sponsor providing the financial support to run day-to-day operations and setting the course for success. With their generous support of \$30,000, we are able to exist and function.

Hawaii Farmers Union United (HFUU) — We partnered with HFUU to have a KNF presence at their Annual Convention and participated in the Farm Apprentice Mentorship program, teaching a weekend course on KNF basics.

Leadership & Governance

Board of Directors & General Members

Name	Role
Eric Drake Weinert	President
Suze Gudmundson	Secretary & Assistant Treasurer
Jennifer Weinert	Treasurer

Committee Chairs

Committee	Chair
MicroDocumentary Committee	Drake Weinert
Research Committee	Jennifer Weinert
Membership & Certification Committee	Suze Gudmundson
Growbot & Tech Committee	Drake Weinert
HFUU Convention Committee	Drake Weinert

2025 Associate Members

Our membership grew by **47%** in 2025, from 19 to 28 members. We are grateful for the support of our dedicated community:

Drake Weinert, Jennifer Weinert, Suze Gudmundson, Cecily Cronin, Chuck Donaldson, Justin Haiflich, Barbara Nill, Cheryl Mendiola, Kerry White, Chris Anthony, Ben Veilleux, Jake Voss, Kristoff Ceysens, Seydou Coly, Thomas Crist, Lee Scollard, Josephine Irvine, Adam Beien, Jason Braunberger, Derek Supnet, Blake Rogers, Nicholas Audsley, Mark Ruter, Stefan Skuliba, Catherine Mac Rae (x2), Claudia Schimmer, Peter Cooper

Financial Overview

The Foundation maintained strong fiscal discipline in 2025, coming in **\$6,034.84 under budget**. Our largest operational expense remains office space rental at approximately \$17,000 per year.

BUDGETED \$35,960	ACTUAL SPENT \$29,926
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Revenue Sources

Source	Amount
ARIA Foundation Grant	\$30,000.00
Membership Revenue	\$2,000.00
Other Donations	\$31.31
Total Revenue	\$32,031.31

Expenses by Committee

Committee/Item	Budget	Actual	Variance
Office Space Rental	\$16,800	\$16,941	-\$141
MicroDocumentary Committee	\$7,500	\$5,300	+\$2,200
Growbot & Tech Committee	\$5,279	\$2,148	+\$3,131
Insurance (GL + D&O)	\$2,000	\$1,737	+\$263
Membership & Certification	\$1,920	\$1,392	+\$528
HFU Convention Committee	\$2,000	\$1,737	+\$263
Research Committee	\$1,028	\$27	+\$1,001
TOTAL	\$35,960	\$29,926	+\$6,035

Committee Reports

MicroDocumentary Committee

Chair: **Drake Weinert**

The purpose of this committee is to produce audio and video content to support the Foundation's mission, create mini films showcasing natural farming success, produce high-quality tutorial videos, record live events, and broadcast expert natural farming education.

Office Hours Program



While viewership is steady following a downtrend from last year, the audience has shifted toward a more dedicated group of attendees sharing their successes, moving from KNF beginners to more advanced students. The results and experiences shared indicate growing competency in KNF practice worldwide, with viewers tuning in from every continent except Antarctica.

Major topics covered in 2025 included KNF Livestock (focusing primarily on chicken-raising methods) and specific applications of the 9 Core Solutions for Animals. The Office Hours program continues to be instrumental in generating data for the Foundation.

Other Projects

Documentaries: A documentary by Dr. Hoon Park awaits additional editing. Editing capacity remains a development area for the committee.

Instructional Series: Work continues on developing a structured approach to instructional content. The focus on accuracy and clarity is paramount, with scripting to match footage currently underway.

Research Committee

Chair: **Jennifer Weinert**

Research Portal: research.pureknf.org

The Research Committee facilitates scientific studies to prove KNF effectiveness, develops educational materials about soil microbes, coordinates comprehensive data collection and analysis, and demonstrates best practices through documented projects.

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Research Projects Listed in Portal

2025 Research Projects

Projects span multiple continents and crop types, demonstrating the global applicability of KNF methods:

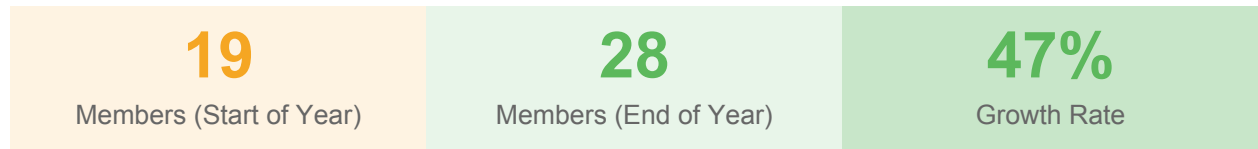
- **Greenhouse Tomatoes & Cucumbers** — New York (April-August)
- **Outdoor Herbs & Vegetables** — Belgium (April-June)
- **Fruit Tree Regeneration** — Hawaii (May-July)
- **Pasture Study** — Australia (April-November, excellent weather documentation)
- **Food Canoe - French Fillet Green Beans** — Hawaii (16 weeks, well documented)
- **IMO4 Pile for Grapevines** — Michigan (application in 2026)
- **Drone Spraying Research** — Hawaii (November, ongoing)
- **Food Canoe - Root Crops** — Hawaii (November, ongoing)

Key Finding: The Foundation budgeted \$150 per project (up to 6 projects), but only one participant requested financing. This demonstrates that participants are intrinsically motivated to contribute to KNF research, not incentivized by money.

Membership & Certification Committee

Chair: **Suze Gudmundson**

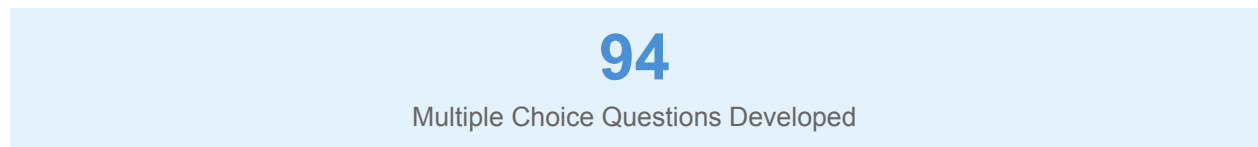
This committee establishes clear standards in Korean Natural Farming, supports networking and communication among members, develops curriculum and certification standards, and maintains records of certifications and trainings.



Monthly Members' Meetings

The Membership Liaison facilitated monthly Zoom meetings with consistent attendance. Topics covered included tutorials on using the KNF Support website and Research Portal, plus in-depth coverage of 8 of the 9 Core Solutions with picture slideshows, recipe breakdowns, application and formulation details, and Q&A sessions.

Level 1 Certification Exam Development



The certification exam covers the 9 Core Solutions (properties, individual use, and combinations for the 7 Prescriptions), the Nutrient Cycle (plant growth phases and formula modifications), and Korean Natural Farming history. This exam will serve as an outline for building a Level 1 Practitioner curriculum.

Growbot & Tech Committee

Chair: **Drake Weinert**

This committee manages all technological assets including drones, website infrastructure, domains, hosting services, and hardware. Overall, technical operations ran smoothly in 2025 with minimal downtime to our digital presence.

Drone Spraying Operations

56	2.8	206	8.75
Flights	Flight Hours	Gallons Applied	Acres Covered

Late in the year, drone operations became reliable, primarily supporting Research Committee spraying projects. The drone storage building has been replaced, and the RTK correction station provides flawless GPS accuracy. Plans for 2026 include upgrading to a T100 chassis for improved spray rates and flight speeds.

Digital Infrastructure

Websites: pureknf.org and knfsupport.com continue to support membership operations with ongoing modernization.

New in 2025: Real-time member chat launched at chat.pureknf.org, enabling direct communication and fostering community interaction.

Weather Station: A full year of weather data was logged for the Research Committee, enabling correlation with local research projects.

HFUU Convention Committee

Chair: **Drake Weinert**

The Foundation's participation at the Hawaii Farmers Union United Convention successfully advanced our mission to educate attendees on Korean Natural Farming practices. "The Hive" tent served as the central hub for KNF education and engagement.

70+

Individuals Reached

Under \$2K

Stayed Within Budget

Program Presentations

- **Drake Weinert:** "Making Regenerative Solutions" Parts 1 & 2
- **Rev. Logan Siseley:** "Indigenous Microbes and Soil Health of KNF"
- **Daniel Aponte:** "Effective Application of KNF Solutions"
- **Dan Hahn and Jason:** "KNF Applied to Coffee in Kona"

Key Successes

Strong coordination through direct participation in the HFU planning committee enabled smooth execution. The tent layout was well-conceived with efficient setup and breakdown. The drone demonstration and drink-making activity were major hits, providing both education and enjoyment while fostering valuable networking connections.

Recommendations for Future Events

1. Improved promotion and sign-up integration
2. Clearer signage and volunteer-led outreach
3. Expanded beginner-friendly printed materials
4. Consistent branding and sponsor acknowledgment
5. Post-event evaluation and follow-up systems

Looking Forward to 2026

As we enter 2026, the Pure KNF Foundation is well-positioned to build on our strong foundation and expand our impact in regenerative agriculture education.

Strategic Priorities

- **Expand Drone Program:** Upgrade to T100 chassis for improved spray rates and expand contract spraying services
- **Launch Certification Program:** Roll out Level 1 Practitioner certification based on our 94-question exam framework
- **Grow Research Committee:** Add committee members to increase project breadth. Attain more committee members for support responsibilities
- **Complete Instructional Series:** Finalize scripting and production of comprehensive KNF tutorial videos
- **Strengthen Member Engagement:** Leverage new chat platform and continue monthly meetings with remaining Core Solution content
- **Nurture Partnerships:** with the County of Hawai'i, CTAHR and Master Gardeners

Thank You to Our Supporters

Your generosity makes our mission possible. Together, we are restoring life through microbial awareness, education, and action.

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