



Angelic Organics Learning Center Backgrounder

- Locations:** Main office & farm location: 1547 Rockton Rd, Caledonia, IL 61011, 815.389.8455
Chicago office: 6400 S Kimbark Ave, Chicago, IL, 773.288.5462
Rockford office: 907 S. Main St., Rockford, IL
- Website:** www.learngrowconnect.org
- Year founded:** 1998 (501c3 tax-exempt status granted in 1999)
- Mission:** Angelic Organics Learning Center empowers people to create sustainable communities of soils, plants, animals and people through educational, creative, and experiential programs. The Learning Center, a nonprofit organization, is the educational partner to Angelic Organics, a vibrant Biodynamic community supported farm.
- Description:** Angelic Organics Learning Center helps urban and rural people build local food systems. The Learning Center offers opportunities to grow healthy food and a better quality of life, connect with farmers and the land, and learn agricultural and leadership skills. The Learning Center, a nonprofit organization, reaches more than 7,000 people each year through its programs at partner farms and urban growing sites in northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin.
- Relationship to Angelic Organics farm:** *Angelic Organics Learning Center and Angelic Organics are two separate organizations that work in close partnership. Angelic Organics Learning Center is the nonprofit educational partner, offering programs at Angelic Organics farm and at other farms and urban growing sites in northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin. Angelic Organics is the for-profit farm partner, growing vegetables and herbs for more than 1,350 member households in the greater Chicago area.*
- The organizations maintain separate websites:
Angelic Organics Learning Center – www.learngrowconnect.org
Angelic Organics farm – www.angelicorganics.com
- Angelic Organics Learning Center Programs:**
- Farmer Training Initiative
 - CRAFT (Collaborative Regional Alliance for Farmer Training)
 - Stateline Farm Beginnings®
 - Farm Dreams
 - *Latinas Jaboneras* (Latina Soapmakers Project)
 - On-Farm Initiative
 - Public Programs
 - Group Programs
 - Urban Initiative
 - Chicago Urban Initiative (Chicago Urban Food Systems Initiative)
 - Roots & Wings (Roots & Wings Youth Leadership and Gardening Program)
 - Civic Engagement Initiative
- For more info:** Visit www.learngrowconnect.org/about/faq for answers to frequently asked questions
- For info about the food system:** Visit www.learngrowconnect.org/what/faq for resources to help understand the local food system

