



# 2016 Nature's Path Sustainability Report

Nature's Path aims to always leave the earth better than we found it. Here's how we're doing it:



## PRESERVE WATER

Water is a precious, finite resource, so we use it as efficiently as possible

- In 2013-2016, we have supported over 380,000 acres of organic land, promoting watershed protection and reducing the water needed to grow crops
- In 2016, we reduced our water consumption across the company by 9.4 per cent and the total gallons per pound produced by 5.4 per cent

## ALWAYS IMPROVE

We strive to not only improve ourselves, but our communities, too

- We pledge to donate up to \$1 million per year in cash or food to local food banks through our Love Crunch Bite4Bite program
- We have donated more than \$18 million in cash and food donations to our Envirokidz and 1% for the Planet partners, local food banks and other social, educational and health causes since 2002.
- Every year we host Eat Well Do Good, our main foodraiser event to support the local food banks and our team members volunteer their hours to support those in need

## Zero Waste

We are always striving to reduce waste and to turn what is left into green energy and compost

- In 2016, two Nature's Path plants – Delta, BC and Blaine, WA – became certified by the US Zero Waste Business Council
- Delta was the first plant in Canada to be certified as Zero Waste
- In 2014-2015, Nature's Path achieved 92 per cent of waste diversion
- In 2016, both Delta and Blaine achieved 94 per cent of waste diversion and Sussex achieved 91 per cent

## GROW ORGANIC

Organic agriculture, and an appreciation of life is at the core of all we do

- In 2013-2016, Nature's Path purchased over 190,000 tons of certified USDA Organic, Canadian Organic and Non-GMO project ingredients
- In 2013-2016, Nature's Path kept over 70,000 tons of synthetic fertilizer and over 1,000 tons of toxic pesticides out of the soil
- We have invested in 6,600 acres of organic farmland in Montana and Saskatchewan to advance organic farming and support local farmers
- We have increased the amount of fair trade organic ingredients by 20 per cent in 2016

## CLIMATE NEUTRAL

We reduce greenhouse gas emissions as best as we can while supporting green energy projects

- We have reduced the amount of total direct CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per pound of product produced by 2.6 per cent in 2015
- Reduced the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through our transportation by 16.8 per cent between 2015 and 2016
- We have purchased over 73,000 Renewable Energy Credits that support green energy projects in North America in 2013-2016
- In 2017, our Blaine plant was awarded Partners for Clean Air gold from the Northwest Clean Air Agency

PESTICIDE FREE

To us, success in business is only achieved by first being socially responsible and environmentally sustainable, and then financially viable. One can't exist without the other, and every year we strive to make it further down the path of corporate sustainability.

That's why the entire Nature's Path family is committed to a sustainable future for people and the planet.