

Sonnenschein Green initiative folks who deserve big thanks:

We have 7 layers to this onion.

At the core of the onion we have three organizers who facilitate the bi-monthly meetings: Jennifer Dauksha-English, Connie Sharp and Debbie Landers.

The second layer of the onion is a group of very committed and influential people in our transition initiative. They are Mark Graves, Jerry Risner, Becky Newbold, Patrick Gibbs (who attended the Transition Training) Greg Landua and Albert Bates.

Together the first two layers of our onion represent our core initiating team for our Transition efforts and carry the energy and image of the group, the development of projects and both local and international outreach. Members of this core team also work with the Financial Permaculture Institute on developing local economic development for Lewis County.

Then we have 7 other core people on the third layer of the onion, who are the leaders of additional active 'working groups'. These people include: Leila Oertel, Bob Ogden, Adam Turtle, Deben Tobias, Tony Turnbow, Thomas Hupp, and Matthew English.

The fourth layer of the onion is just as important – here we have people who attend our meetings and events and have been active on one or more projects: Jackie Miller, Mike Sheth, Sam Davis, David Mitzel, Sara Ogden, Julie Mayse, Mozell Cowart, Cassandra and Tom Warner, Cynthia Rhorbach, Rita Grow, John Risner, Barbara Hinson, Annette Perry, Cliff Davis, Amanda Ayers, Jim Melton, Wade Austin, Jacob Laubach, Manny Lagos and Andrew Buckner.

The fifth layer of our onion is big thanks to our Executive Director Phil Griner, Lewis County Chamber Director Janet Johnson, our City Mayor Don Jones and Vice Mayor Dustin Flowers and our County Mayor Kenneth Turnbow. Also thanks to all the County Commissioners and the City Councilmen for supporting local economic development efforts.

The sixth layer of the onion is all the good folks who occasionally come to our meetings and outreach events. Also, thanks to all the businesses and community members who supported us in creating our local Green Guide.

The seventh layer of the onion is folks in our community who may or may not have attended any of our events – but are doing what they can to support local economic and community development.

We also need to thank: Catherine Austin-Fitts, Andy Langford, Liora Adler, Valerie Seitz, Ethan Roland, Byron Palmer and the rest of the Financial

Permaculture Initiative team and all the amazing instructors and representatives who sat on the advisor panel during the October 2008 Green Business Summit - – without your support and wisdom we would not have as many opportunities for sharing our process with other communities around the world.

If we've forgotten anyone in this list of gratitude please let us know and we'd be happy to add them as we update this website.