## **RIDGE AND VALLEY** STORY OF THE FUTURE



### WATER

Infiltration increased (nutrient/soil loss reduction, reduced rainwater runoff) Aquifers are maintained Flooding is addressed as extreme weather events become increasingly common Recreational opportunities

# FARMING

**DIVERSITY OF FARM SYSTEMS AND SIZES** Farms include diverse mix of livestock, crops, & operators Small family farms along with some big farms Farm transitions are smooth New farmers are welcomed with help for land, loans, and equipment

### EDUCATIONAL & SOCIAL SUPPORT FOR STEWARDSHIP

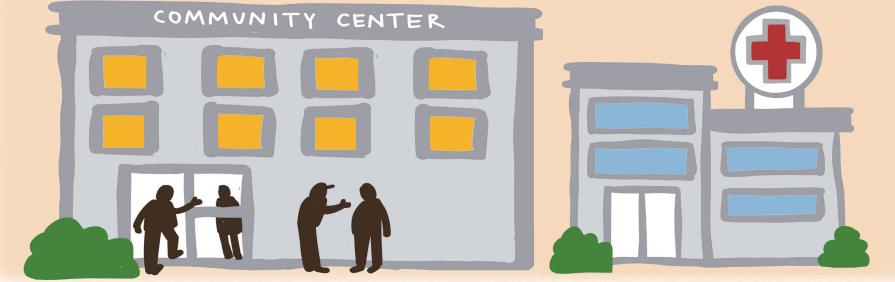
Training and peer to peer mentorship

Impact on economy and ecology is considered

Supportive relationships Community is aware of food production needs

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR STEWARDSHIP Helpful subsidies and crop insurance for all resident Incentives for grazing and regenerative practices









#### HLALIH Robust & accessible health care designed for an ag community Affordable health insurance

## COMMUNITY

Trusting, reciprocal, and respectful relationships More women in agriculture More social exchanges, community meals and sharing equipment Plans for land succession in place Balance between tourism and farming with partnerships between farmers and absentee owners Fast internet available Rural aesthetic quality maintained