THE ROOTS

A FOOD & HOSPITALITY VISION FOR AN ENTIRE COMMUNITY



Come for the food. Stay for the feeling.

An extraordinary meal. The ocean breathing beside you. A beautiful place to rest, and the unmistakable feeling that you are welcome here.

The Malibu flagship: a five-star dining experience with the warmth of home, paired with an intimate bed-and-breakfast. One expression of a much larger vision.

IT BEGAN AROUND THE FOUNDER'S FAMILY TABLE

"I saw the kids' lives change over the dining room table."

Yvette Neal, founder of The Roots, watched her sons' friends find love, trust, and belonging in her home. The Roots carries that same welcome into an entire community: food prepared with care, people treated with dignity, and a place for everyone at the table.

THE FOOD HEART OF THE RIPPLE EFFECT FOUNDATION ECOSYSTEM

Conceived as a connected food operation, The Roots is designed to **nourish, educate, and sustain all employees and families across the ecosystem** - including the staff and participants of West Coast Coalition, the Ripple Effect Foundation, and Angels in the Orchard.

The vision spans the flagship restaurant, production kitchens, community dining centers, and teaching spaces.



A kitchen that opens doors

With **Angels in the Orchard**, teaching kitchens bring mothers, children, and young adults into cooking, nutrition, and culinary mentorship - building everyday confidence and pathways into hospitality work.



A table that brings us together

At **Gaia Way Oasis** and future community dining centers, shared meals nourish families, employees, and neighbors. Sponsored meals extend the same care to people facing homelessness. The setting changes; the welcome does not.

GROWING A COMMUNITY THAT NOURISHES ITSELF

01 Establish the heart

Build the flagship and production and teaching kitchens to serve the wider community.

02 Connect the community

Link community dining centers through daily meals, teaching, and culinary pathways.

03 Grow from the ground

Develop a farm and additional community dining centers, linking what is grown, cooked, and shared.

Dining, guest stays, and events are intended to help sustain the wider mission. Founding gifts can equip kitchens, build teams, and launch meals and learning across the ecosystem.

Proposed vision. Images convey the intended experience; they do not depict confirmed facilities for The Roots.