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The latest news and updates in Connecticut agriculture

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Commissioner Bryan Hurlburt visited with 4-H members last week at the 86th annual [Hartford County 4-H Fair](#). While fair provides youth with the opportunity to have projects evaluated and serves as a culminating event in the 4-H year, the skills, lessons, and friendships last a lifetime. While 4-H fairs have concluded for this year, there are plenty of other fairs happening across Connecticut. Find one near you at ctgrown.org/events.

USDA Announces Specialty Crop Block

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today awarded over \$436,000 in Fiscal Year 2022 Specialty Crop Block Grant Program (SCBGP) funding to Connecticut. This USDA grant will help the Connecticut Department of Agriculture fund projects that enhance the competitiveness of specialty crops in the state and support specialty crop growers through marketing, education, and research.

"USDA applauds Connecticut's continued commitment to supporting our nation's producers of fruits, vegetables, tree nuts, and nursery crops through the Specialty Crop Block Grant Program," said USDA Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs Jenny Lester Moffitt. "The projects funded will foster innovative research and new market opportunities within the specialty crop sector, while furthering USDA's goals of creating a more fair and equitable food system and supporting local and regional producers."

Through the SCBGP, the Connecticut Department of Agriculture is funding five projects. Among the projects is \$99,629 being awarded to the Connecticut Farm to School program administered through the University of Connecticut Extension. The project will use the awarded funding to increase the number of active supply chain relationships between farmers, food hubs, and school buyers leading to an overall increase in the volume of locally grown, healthy products served in K-12 school districts. Additional projects focus in areas such as research and new farmer training.

"We are pleased to continue our ongoing partnership and engagement with USDA to offer funding for projects which strengthen Connecticut's diverse agricultural sector with a focus on specialty crops," said Connecticut Department of Agriculture Commissioner Bryan P. Hurlburt. "These awarded projects meet the identified funding priorities which align with both state and federal initiatives to prepare for and adapt to climate change, improve food security and access to CT Grown specialty crops, and support new and beginning farmers through training and research."

The funding to Connecticut is part of a total of \$72.9 million in non-competitive FY 2022 SCBGP funding awarded to 55 states, territories and the District of Columbia. The SCBGP funding supports farmers growing specialty crops, including fruits, vegetables, tree nuts, and nursery crops. USDA's support will strengthen U.S. specialty crop production and markets, ensuring an abundant, affordable supply of highly nutritious fruits, vegetables, and other specialty crops, which are vital to the health and well-being of all Americans.

The funding for the SCBGP grants is authorized by the 2018 Farm Bill and FY2022 funding is awarded for a three-year period beginning September 30, 2022. Since 2006, USDA has invested more than \$953 million through the SCBGP to fund 11,331 projects that have increased the long-term successes of producers and broadened the market for specialty crops in the U.S. and abroad.

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Dr. Jewel Bronaugh, U.S. Department of Agriculture Deputy Secretary, visited Connecticut on Wednesday, August 24, along with Congresswoman Jahana Hayes to meet with agricultural stakeholders and producers about the importance of Climate Smart Agriculture and its impact on increasing economic and human health in urban and rural communities.

\$550 MILLION FOR PROJECTS BENEFITING UNDERSERVED PRODUCERS AND MINORITY SERVING INSTITUTIONS THAT CREATE CAREER DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEXT GENERATION LEADERS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced on August 24 up to \$550 million in funding to support projects that enable underserved producers to access land, capital, and markets, and train the next, diverse generation of agricultural professionals. These investments are made through funding provided in the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Section 1006, as amended by Section 22007 of the Inflation Reduction Act. These provisions fund and direct USDA to take action to help ensure underserved producers have the resources, tools, programs, and technical support they need to succeed.

To date, USDA has implemented provisions within Section 1006 of the American Rescue Plan Act, including standing up an independent Equity Commission. USDA also has provided \$75 million for partnership agreements with 20 organizations that will deliver technical assistance and support for underserved producers, including veterans, limited resources producers, beginning farmers and ranchers, and/or producers living in high poverty areas on topics ranging from business development to heirs' property. USDA also received applications for at least another \$25 million in partnership agreements for technical assistance and will announce awardees by fall.

USDA is taking additional steps to implement Section 1006 of the ARPA, as amended by Section 22007 of the Inflation Reduction Act. Specifically, the Department is announcing:

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Opportunity is seeking partner organizations for projects that increase access to land, capital, and markets. Projects should be innovative and help move underserved producers from surviving to thriving. Projects must focus on strengthening land access with at least one of the following related areas of concern: capital access concerns that affect the ability to access land; market access concerns that affect the ability to access land; or a combination of one or more of land, capital, and market access concerns. The deadline for applications is October 28, 2022. The notice of funding opportunity will be available at [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) in the coming days.

\$250 million for the “From Learning to Leading: Cultivating the Next Generation of Diverse Food and Agriculture Professionals” program to Create Career Development Opportunities for Next Gen Scholars at Minority-Serving Institutions. USDA is committed to not only hiring, developing, and advancing a workforce that truly reflects America’s rich and diverse characteristics, but also to creating a workplace environment that is inclusive so that everyone can rise to their highest potential and flourish in supporting our mission. The need for growing the next generation of professionals is timely and important. This competitive funding opportunity is aimed at attracting, inspiring, and retaining diverse and talented students at eligible minority-serving institutions for careers in food, agriculture, and related disciplines, with an emphasis on federal government sector employment. Eligible applicants are 1890 land-grant institutions, 1994 land-grant institutions, Alaska Native-serving institutions, Native Hawaiian-serving institutions, certified Hispanic-serving institutions and Insular Area institutions of higher education located in the U.S. territories. The deadline for applications is October 25, 2022. See the [request for applications](#) for full details.

CT Grown Marketing Tools



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In response to your feedback, we have invested a lot of effort toward refreshing our brand and developing a state-of-the-art website; all to support our outreach to consumers about the high-quality products and amazing experiences that are available at Connecticut farms — from the ground to the sound.

As part of these efforts, we have created a comprehensive events calendar — showcasing the many great agriculture events happening statewide to better connect urban and rural communities. We are excited now to open up that event calendar to you!

Simply follow this link, enter a few details, and request a user account for the CT Grown website's events calendar:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PYHlnB14jc3hglqDcg_JNL1cYcpqiv2FbySbL1I1tKg/edit?usp=sharing

Once you register, you will receive a quick tutorial on how to submit your:

- Farmers' Market
- Fair
- Festival
- Concert
- Educational Workshop
- Farm Tour or Camp
- And More!

It's quick and easy to sign up. Give yourself the platform to bring your events to the forefront!



ADD YOUR FARM OR VENUE TO CTGROWNMAP.COM

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		<p>working to update CTGrownMap.com to support our CT Grown farms, farm stands, and farmers' markets, and would like to ensure that it is as complete and current as possible.</p> <p>Last year, CT Grown marketing efforts generated 112 million impressions driving visitors to ctgrown.org, and a timely listing helps these visitors discover your business. CT Grown also drives the majority of referrals from other websites to the farm map. If you are a CT Grown producer or venue, we encourage you to add your listing to the map.</p> <div data-bbox="662 533 961 636">Get on the Map</div> <hr/> <p>CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURE IN THE NEWS</p> <p>19 summer, fall harvest festivals to check out around Connecticut, SF Gate, 8/24</p> <p>On a Connecticut farm, 100 migrant workers spend months living, cooking and harvesting tobacco together, Hartford Courant, 8/23</p> <p>Pond Water Disappearing, Crops Destroyed at Guilford Farm as Drought Intensifies, NBC CT, 8/19</p> <p>Farm in Suffield gives up close experience with alpacas, Mass Appeal, 8/19</p> <p>Courtney visits Cloverleigh and Ramble Creek Farms, The Chronicle, 8/18</p> <hr/> <p>CONNECTICUT DROUGHT MONITOR</p>	

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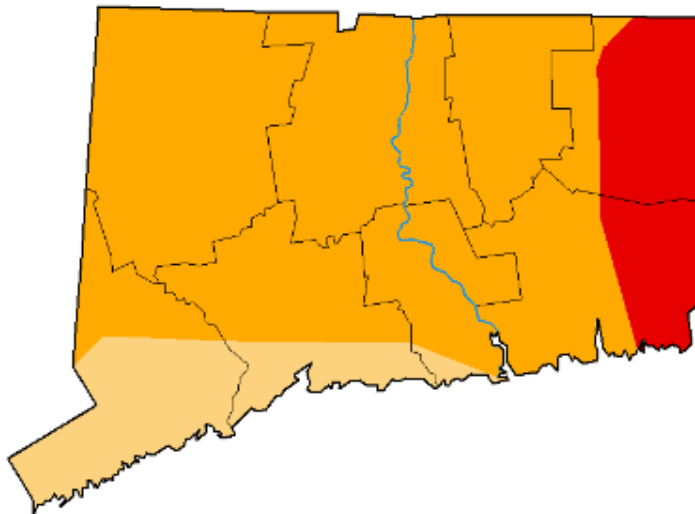
U.S. Drought Monitor

August 23, 2022

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Connecticut

Updated Thursday, Aug. 25, 2022
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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CT Drought Monitor

GOVERNOR LAMONT ANNOUNCES U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE DESIGNATES NEW LONDON AND WINDHAM COUNTIES AS PRIMARY NATURAL DISASTER AREAS DUE TO DROUGHT

Governor Ned Lamont announced Friday, August 26 that he has received notification from U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Thomas J. Vilsack that New London and Windham counties have been designed by the federal agency as primary natural disaster areas due to the recent drought. Additionally, Hartford, Middlesex, and Tolland counties have been designated as contiguous counties under the declaration.

The designation makes farm operators in primary counties and those counties contiguous to such primary counties eligible to be considered for certain assistance from the Farm Service Agency (FSA), provided eligibility requirements are met. This assistance includes FSA emergency loans. Farmers in eligible counties have eight months from the date of the declaration to apply for emergency loans. FSA considers each emergency loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of production losses on the farm and the security and repayment of the operator.

“This ongoing drought has certainly caused a large number of production losses for Connecticut farmers, and this federal designation will provide much needed financial assistance for our agricultural industry and the jobs it

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in these designated counties who experienced losses to reach out to their local Farm Service Agency office for information on assistance that may be available.”

“Connecticut’s agricultural producers continue to face unpredictable weather patterns from flooding to drought,” Connecticut Agricultural Commissioner Bryan P. Hurlburt said. “We encourage all producers to report losses to their local FSA office, as that data is critical to receiving disaster declarations, which provide the necessary resources to ensure the viability of agriculture in our state for seasons to come.”

Farmers interested in applying for the assistance must [contact their local Farm Service Agency office.](#)



CENTURY FARM NOMINATIONS ACCEPTED

Do you know a Connecticut farm that has been in operation for 100 years or more? The Connecticut Agricultural Information Council (CAIC) is now

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business for another 100 years.

The award is presented at the CAES Plant Science Day annually in August and recognized at Ag Day at the Capitol the following March. If you know of, or operate a farm that qualifies for this recognition, please submit a nomination by clicking the link below.

[Nominate a Century Farm](#)



USDA TO INVEST \$15 MILLION IN INNOVATIVE PROJECTS FOR CLIMATE-SMART AGRICULTURE, URBAN AGRICULTURE, AND ADDRESSING INVASIVE SPECIES

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has announced it will invest \$15 million this year for the Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) Classic program. Through CIG, grantees work to address our nation's water quality, water quantity, air quality, soil health and wildlife habitat challenges, all while supporting agricultural production. This year's funding priorities are climate-smart agriculture, addressing invasive species and conservation in urban agricultural systems.

For the fiscal 2022 award process, at least 10% of the total funds available are set aside for proposals that entirely benefit historically underserved (HU) producers. This HU set-aside will ensure that equity is incorporated in the planning and delivery of CIG projects to align with NRCS's Justice 40 goals. HU applicants can also waive the non-federal match requirements.

Applications are being accepted now through October 11, 2022. Private entities whose primary business is related to agriculture, nongovernmental organizations with experience working with agricultural producers, and non-federal government agencies are eligible to apply. For more information and to apply, visit grants.gov.

[Click here for more information.](#)

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2022 ORGANIC CERTIFICATION COST SHARE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

The Connecticut Department of Agriculture has received the National Organic Certification Cost Share Program (NOCCSP) Grant from the USDA Farm Service Agency.

Through this grant program, Connecticut certified organic growers and processors can be reimbursed for 50%, up to \$500, for the costs of receiving and maintaining USDA organic certification. A list of certified organic growers and processors is available through USDA's Organic INTEGRITY Database at <https://organic.ams.usda.gov/integrity>.

The program is administered on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are exhausted. **Applications will be accepted through October 3, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.**

The amount reimbursed will be 50%, up to \$500, of certification costs paid between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022.

To apply, please visit the link below for required materials and detailed instructions. Completed applications are to be submitted electronically by October 3, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Alison.Grabarz@ct.gov.

[**Click Here for More Information**](#)

KITCHEN TO GARDEN VIDEO FROM CONNECTICUT RC & D



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Join the CT Compost Alliance as we discuss some of the ways to recycle your food scraps and yard waste. Composting helps to reduce the waste stream, costs, and environmental impact. Composting results in a wonderful soil enhancement full of nutrients for your gardening applications. Let's get started with some helpful hints and tips for beginner composters.

[Watch the Full Video](#)

NRCS' CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION PLAN CONTINUES TO MAKE CONSERVATION PART OF THE CLIMATE SOLUTION

USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service has a new Climate Change Adaptation Plan that works to ensure its programs and services meet the demands of the changing agricultural landscape. It evaluates seven current vulnerabilities to NRCS's mission, operation, and infrastructure that may be affected by climate change, and prioritizes key actions to address these vulnerabilities, such as:

Subscribe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase climate literacy and staffing capacity to deliver assistance that is reflective of climate change 	Translate ▼
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance science, research, and data for understanding, organizing, measuring, and tracking climate related impacts and outcomes • Integrate climate information into current business procedures, assessments, and opportunities • Ensure current and future applied conservation investments are reflective of climate change needs • Assess and address disproportionate climate change impacts on vulnerable communities through intentional engagement, planning, and assistance • Strengthen partnerships and collaboration to address climate change • Address risks to agency infrastructure. <p>Learn more here.</p>	
	 <p>2023 FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR FOOD & AGRICULTURE PRODUCTS</p> <p><u>Food Export USA–Northeast</u> (Food Export–Northeast) is now accepting applications for the 2023 Branded Program year. The Branded Program enables U.S. suppliers of food and agriculture products to increase their overseas marketing budgets to maintain and expand their share of export markets, as well as encourage new market exploration.</p> <p>Made possible through <u>Market Access Program (MAP)</u> and <u>Agricultural Trade Promotion Program (ATP)</u> funds from the USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service, this cost-share funding program assists small and medium-sized U.S. suppliers to promote their U.S. origin food and agricultural products in foreign markets.</p> <p>Once approved, participants receive 50% cost reimbursement on eligible marketing and promotional activities such as exhibiting at international and select U.S. tradeshow, advertising, public relations, in-store promotions and merchandising, marketing and point-of-sale materials, freight costs for samples, foreign market-compliant packaging and labeling, international web site development, online marketing and more. Projects may range in size from a few thousand dollars to several hundred thousand in their scope.</p> <p>These marketing opportunities help U.S. companies remain competitive in the</p>	

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new markets that supported over 3,600 jobs and 100 new sales opportunities across food and agricultural businesses.

“This is a great way for small and mid-size food and agricultural businesses to explore market expansion and grow their business. We’ve helped snack food companies, seafood businesses, maple syrup, cheese and more find new market opportunities thanks to our cost-share funding, educational resources and market access tools,” said Tim Hamilton, Executive Director/CEO of Food Export–Northeast.

Applications can be submitted starting August 1 and will be taken until all dollars are distributed. Questions about the Branded Program and the application process can be directed to Food Export–Northeast at 215.829.9111. Additional information is available at www.foodexport.org/branded-program. **The 2023 Branded Program runs from January 1 through December 31, 2023.**

Food Export–Northeast accepts applications from suppliers in their 10-state Northeast region: Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

[Learn more at Food Export - Northeast](#)

CT NRCS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR FY2023 FUNDING FOR CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Are you an agricultural producer in Connecticut who wants to continue to farm, or a forest landowner wanting to manage your forestland, but you want to use less resources and have less of an effect on the land?

Why not consider applying for the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)? Some benefits include increased crop yields, decreased inputs, wildlife population improvements, and better resilience to weather extremes.

Through CSP, the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) helps private landowners build their business while implementing conservation practices that help ensure the sustainability of their entire operation. Agricultural producers and forest landowners earn payments for actively managing, maintaining, and expanding conservation activities such as cover crops, ecologically-based pest management, buffer strips, and pollinator and beneficial insect habitat – all while maintaining active agricultural production on their land. CSP also encourages the adoption of cutting-edge technologies and new management techniques such as precision agriculture applications, on-site

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	<p>The program helps producers better evaluate conservation options and benefits to their operations, as well as to our natural resources. Methods and software for evaluating applications help producers see why they are – or are not – meeting stewardship thresholds and allow them to pick practices that work for their objectives. These tools also enable them to see potential payment scenarios for conservation early in the process.</p> <p>While applications for CSP are accepted year-round, to be considered for FY2023 funds they must be received by October 30, 2022.</p> <p>Interested? Find out if you're qualified for CSP by contacting your local USDA service center or visiting the Get Started portion of our website.</p> <hr/>	

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FarmResponseSM Online Learning

FarmResponseSM is a 3.5-hour continuing education module developed by national experts from the AgriStress Response Network.

AgriSafe's *FarmResponse* course provides the full range of competencies necessary to provide appropriate mental healthcare for agricultural producers and their families. This knowledge is critical for a wide range of healthcare professionals to effectively care for a farmer's total health.

The topics covered in *FarmResponse* include:

- The Total Farmer Health Model
- AgriBusiness Factors Impacting [Mental Well Being](#)
- Agriculture Work Factors
- Family Dynamics
- Agrarian Culture and Values
- Special Populations
- US Agricultural Producer Demographics
- Agricultural Community Healthcare Challenges
- Opioids and Alcohol Issues in Agriculture
- Suicide and Agriculture
- Resources and Referrals



Learners can earn a digital badge to acknowledge their accomplishment and dedication to serving the unique healthcare needs of the agricultural community!

Free Training Opportunity for Connecticut Professionals:

The Connecticut Department of Agriculture has generously sponsored 205 free seats on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information scan the QR code!

These free seats are supported by the 2021 Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network Grant (award # 2021-70035-35552) administered by the Connecticut Department of Agriculture Grant funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture.



Continuing Education for Multiple Disciplines:

The Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety offers 0.35 CEU or 3.5 contact hours of participation. This course is eligible for 3.5 CPH Recertification Credits and is sponsored by the University of Minnesota School of Public Health, an approved provider of CPH Recertification Credits by the National Board of Public Health Examiners.

The following groups of professionals have been able to use these CEUs in the past; Industrial Hygiene (CIH), Certified Public Health Professional(CPH), Certified Safety Professional (CSP), Nursing (RN, LPN), Social Work (LSW), Occupational Therapy (OT), Physical Therapy (PT), Audiology (ABA), and others. Please contact your accrediting agency regarding any questions about receiving credits.



The Minnesota Medical Association designates this enduring series for a maximum of 3.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)TM. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the Minnesota Medical Association and AgriSafe Network. The Minnesota Medical Association (MMA) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.



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CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OPENS THEIR URBAN GREEN AND COMMUNITY GARDEN GRANT

The Department's Urban Green and Community Gardens Grant Program provides funding assistance to develop or enhance urban open spaces for public enjoyment and/or environmental education. Promotion of open space in an urban setting may include, but may not be limited to, the development of a community garden or reclaiming and enhancing existing open space for the public's use. Grants are awarded to projects that demonstrate the highest ability to benefit urban communities in close proximity to population centers. **The deadline to apply is September 30, 2022.**

To learn more about the grant, eligibility requirements, and how to apply follow the link below.

[Learn More and Apply](#)

BEGINNING FARMER LOAN OPPORTUNITY

Accessing capital to begin, extend, or support an agriculture operation can be challenging--especially to new producers. Farm Service Agency's "Beginning Farmer" direct and guaranteed loan programs provide an opportunity for qualified applicants to secure loans from funding set aside for producers who meet the following conditions:

- Has operated a farm for not more than 10 years
- Will materially and substantially participate in the operation of the farm
- Agrees to participate in a loan assessment, borrower training, and financial management program sponsored by FSA
- Does not own a farm in excess of 30 percent of the county's average size farm

For more information, contact the New London County USDA Service Center at (860) 887-9941 or visit fsa.usda.gov.

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APPLY NOW FOR CONSERVATION INNOVATION GRANTS ON-FARM TRIALS

USDA will invest \$25 million this year for the Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) On-Farm Conservation Innovation Trials program.

Through CIG, partners work to address our nation's water quality, water quantity, air quality, soil health and wildlife habitat challenges, all while improving agricultural operations. The On-Farm Trials component of CIG supports widespread adoption and evaluation of innovative conservation approaches in partnership with agricultural producers. This year's funding priorities are climate-smart agricultural solutions, irrigation water management, nutrient management and soil health.

"Through science and innovation, we can develop solutions to tackle the climate crisis, conserve and protect our water, enhance soil health, and create economic opportunities for producers," said Terry Cosby, Chief of USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). "Through On-Farm Trials, partners can work directly with farmers and ranchers to test and adopt new strategies on agricultural lands, accelerating the development and application of conservation that works for producers and the land."

Applications for On-Farm Trials are being accepted **now through September 22, 2022**. Private entities whose primary business is related to agriculture, nongovernmental organizations with experience working with agricultural producers, and non-federal government agencies are eligible to apply. For more information and to apply, [click here](#).

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Ag Market Pricing

[Middlesex Livestock Auction - CT](#)
Prices provided on August 8, 2022

[New Holland Dairy Auction - New Holland, PA](#)

[CT Farmers' Market Prices](#)
Prices provided on August 9, 2022

[Lancaster Farming Hay Market Report](#)

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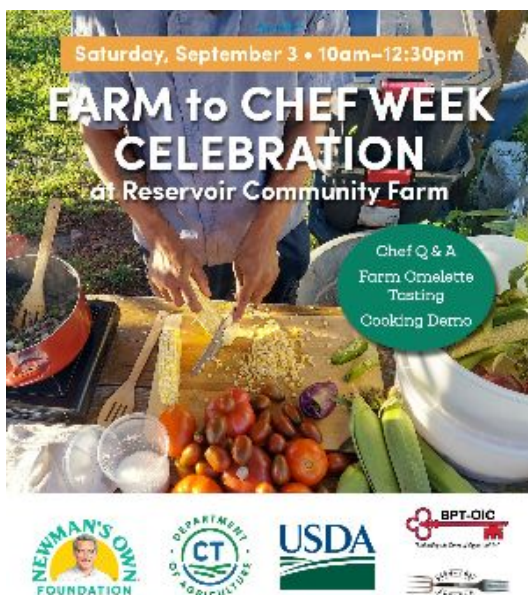
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Employment Opportunities

Upcoming Events (click on image below for info)



Saturday, September 3 • 10am–12:30pm

FARM to CHEF WEEK CELEBRATION

at Reservoir Community Farm

Chef Q & A
Farm Omelette Tasting
Cooking Demo

NEWMAN'S OWN FOUNDATION **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE CT** **USDA** **BPT-QIC**



Navigating USDA: FSA and NRCS Services

Aug 31

7:00-8:30pm, virtual over Zoom

Join us to learn how to access USDA FSA and NRCS programs and services.

Jointly presented with the Northern RI Conservation District. Registration open to producers in MA, CT, and RI.

USDA This workshop is based upon work supported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, under agreement number FSA21CPT0011950. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Upcoming Workshop

carrot PROJECT Learn more and register in the provided link.



GRANT DEADLINE

The USDA Rural Development REAP (Renewable Energy for America Program) deadline is approaching for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects on Connecticut Farms.

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Advancing 4-H Youth Careers in Food and Agriculture via Biotechnology & STEM

Calling Youth Ages 14-18:

- Are you interested in learning biotechnology?
- Do you want to explore biotechnology as a career?

Join our new 4-H clubs focused on agriculture, food, biotechnology, and STEM careers. Youth ages 14-18 can:

- Join a cohort and help us build online games (participate in a design jam with New Mexico State University and provide game feedback)
- Visit agriculture, food, and biotechnology companies in the state (in-person field trips!)
- Explore careers in food, agriculture, biotechnology, and STEM


Learn more: s.uconn.edu/biotech


UConn 4-H


UConn 4-H is the youth development program of Extension in UConn's College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources. 4-H is a community of over six million young people across the U.S. who are learning Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), leadership, citizenship and life skills through their 4-H project work.


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