

Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production



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THE PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

- USDA touches the life of every American almost daily
- 100,000+ employees
- 29 agencies and offices
- 4,500 locations domestic and abroad
- USDA's total outlays for 2023 are estimated at \$209.3 billion



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Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Grants

- UAIP- Competitive Grants support urban agriculture and innovative production activities
- Since launch in 2020 has invested \$47.5 million in 184 grants.
- We have grants in 41 states and territories, but eligibility is limited to certain entity types

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Composting and Food Waste Reduction Agreements

- CFWR provides funding to develop and test strategies for food waste reduction and composting
- Since launch in 2020 has invested \$12.1 million in 82 agreements
- Agreements are in 32 states and territories, but eligibility is limited to certain entity types



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Year	NFO	Total Requests	Eligible Requests	\$ of Requests	Awards	\$ of Awards	% of Total	% of Eligible
2020	UAIP	502	279	\$83,700,000	10	\$3,022,171	2%	4%
2021	UAIP*	329	239	\$71,700,000	93	\$23,261,611	28%	39%
2022	UAIP	176	129	\$38,700,000	52	\$14,416,764	30%	40%
2023	UAIP	330	255	\$76,500,000	31	\$9,159,576	9%	12%
2020	CFWR	79	30	\$2,700,000	13	\$1,094,862	16%	43%
2021	CFWR	52	31	\$2,790,000	24	\$1,917,436	46%	77%
2022	CFWR	57	50	\$15,000,000	45	\$9,178,695	79%	90%
Total		1195	758	\$291,090,000	237	\$52,891,539	20%	31%

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What is the People's Garden Initiative?

- Connect gardens across the country that produce local food, practice sustainability, and bring people together in their community.
- Provide networking opportunities and resources.
- Highlight communities that have or are creating diverse, resilient food systems.



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Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Advisory Committee

Purpose:

To advise the Secretary on the development of policies and outreach relating to urban, indoor, and other emerging agricultural production practices.

Membership Composition: 12 members

Duties:

- develop recommendations on policies, initiatives, and outreach
- evaluate and review ongoing research and extension activities
- identify new and existing barriers

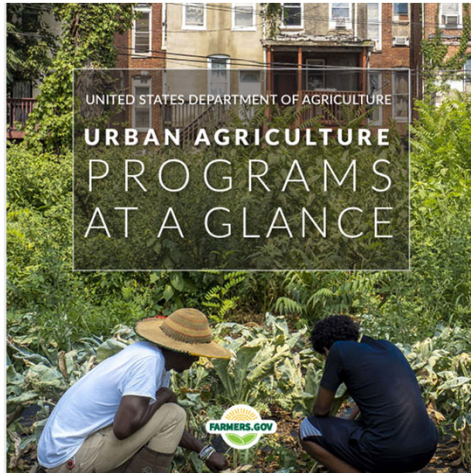
6 public meetings held with **5,500+** registered participants

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Technical Assistance Programs



To Help People, We Must Reach People

- Success hinges on acceptance and engagement from local communities

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Multi Agency Efforts

- USDA - Urban Service Centers
- FSA - Urban and Suburban County Committees
- NRCS - State Technical Committee (urban subcommittees)
- **(New)** Innovative Production website coming soon!



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Agricultural Research Service

- Urban and Controlled Environment Agriculture Technologies (ARS)
- ARS Researchers Expand U.S. Aquaculture Research
- Vertical Farming – No Longer A Futuristic Concept
- Research Projects



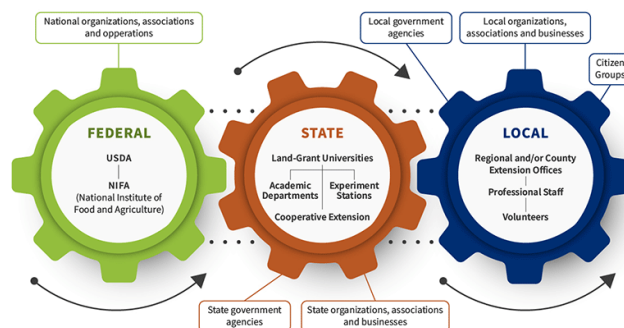
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National Institute of Food and Agriculture

- Cooperative Extension System including the National Urban Extension Leaders



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Financial Assistance Programs

- Grants (sometimes called grant agreements)
- Agreements (Cooperative or Contribution)
- Loans & Loan guarantees
- Insurance
- Disaster Relief



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Farm Service Agency

- [Farm Operating Loans](#)
- [Farm Ownership Loans](#)
- [Microloans](#)
- [Farm Storage Facility Loan Program](#)
- [Youth Loans \(FSA\)](#)
- [Organic Certification Cost Share Program](#)



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Natural Resources Conservation Service

- [The Environmental Quality Incentives Program \(EQIP\)](#)
- [Conservation Innovation Grants \(CIG\)](#)



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Agricultural Marketing Service

- [Local Agricultural Marketing Program](#)
 - [Farmers Market Promotion Program](#)
 - [Local Food Promotion Program](#)
 - [Regional Food System Partnerships](#)



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Risk Management Agency

- [Whole Farm Revenue Protection](#)
- [Micro Farm Policy Program](#)
- [Risk Management Education Partnership Program](#)



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Food Nutrition Service

- [Farm to School Program](#)
- [The WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program](#)



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Forest Service

- Urban & Community Forestry Program



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National Institute of Food and Agriculture

- Urban, Indoor, and Emerging Agriculture
- Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program
- Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program
- Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program



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Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement

- Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program (the 2501 Program)



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Rural Development

- Value-Added Producer Grants
- Rural Energy for America Program Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvement Guaranteed Loans & Grants



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Other Federal Opportunities

- Environmental Protection Agency
 - [Pollution Prevention Grant Program](#)
 - [Urban Waters Federal Partnership](#)
 - [Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization](#)
- Department of Housing and Urban Development
 - [Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program](#)
 - [Community Development Block Grant](#)
- US Botanical Garden
 - [Science and Conservation](#)

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