



NUag News Blast

Summer Edition

The NuAg team is back with our summer newsletter! Get the most updated information about our project as we work with producers, cooperators, and the USDA. Find events, resources, tips, and tricks to build your network!

We look forward to continuing to cultivate and build momentum in this work alongside our stakeholders.

Kendall Rae Johnson NUag's Youth Ambassador: 1890 Tour



Get to know our Youth Ambassador, Kendall Rae Johnson, who is Georgia's Youngest Certified Farmer!

As NUag's new youth ambassador, this summer Kendall will be traveling to several different 1890 Universities and using her book "[My Farm Biz](#)" to educate youth on financial literacy, urban farming, and FSA Youth Loans in partnership with USDA's NUag program and Virginia State University.

[Read More About the 1890 Tour and Kendall's](#)

Website Updates: Cooperators Page

Read about all 27 NUag National Cooperators



Cooperator Events

JUNE			
1-7	<p>Ecotrust Come Thru Market: A market Centering Black and Indigenous Makers (June 2, 3pm-7pm)</p>	<p>West Michigan Environmental Action Council Environmental Book Club (June 4, 6:30pm-7pm)</p>	<p>Black United Fund of Texas Black Scientist Collective Health Fair (June 7, 10am-4pm)</p>

8-14	<u>University of Missouri</u> SmART Moves! Summer Teen arts camp (June 8-14)	<u>Ecotrust</u> Rooted Resilience: Land, Legacy, and Climate Workshop (June 10, 5pm-7:30pm)	<u>Ohio State University Extension</u> 4-H Spark Expo (June 11-14)
15-21	<u>Cultivate Kansas City</u> MVP Workday – Global One Urban Farming (June 13, 9am-11am)	<u>Keep Growing Detroit</u> Weekly Volunteer KGD Farm (June 17th, 5pm-7pm)	<u>Black United Fund of Texas</u> Grow Together- Community planting and Urban Agriculture (June 20, 6pm-8:30pm)
22-26	<u>Farm to Table New Mexico</u> Resilience and Resistance Conference (June 22-26)	<u>PASA Sustainable Agriculture</u> Using Organic Sprays for Pest and Disease Management in Vegetable Production (June 24, 2pm-4pm)	<u>Allegheny County Conservation District</u> Grant Application Workshop: Dirt, Gravel and Low Volume Roads (June 26, 10am-2pm)
26-30	<u>Renewing the Countryside</u> Annual Summer FUNdraiser (June 26 5:30pm-8:30pm)	<u>University of Arizona Cooperative Extension</u> Fall & Winter Vegetable Gardening (June 27 3:30pm -4:30pm)	<u>Ohio State University Extension</u> NACAA Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (June 29-July 3)

JULY			
1-5	<u>Oklahoma Conservation Commission</u> Crossroads on the roads, soil health bus tour (June 30-July 2, times vary daily)	<u>Cultivate Kansas City</u> Agriculture Coffee Talk (July 3, 8:30am - 9:30am)	<u>West Michigan Environmental Action Council</u> Environmental Book Club (July 2, 6:30pm-7pm)
6-12	<u>University of Illinois Extension Service</u> Neighborhood Gardeners (July 7, 9am-10am)	<u>Black United Fund of Texas</u> PVAMU 4-H Camp (July 11,12pm-1:30pm)	<u>Allegheny County Conservation District</u> Soil pop-up (July 12, 12pm-3pm)
13-19	<u>Sprout Nola</u> Volunteer for Veggies (Weekly Mon & Wed)	<u>Community Alliance for Family Farmers</u> Sustainable Groundwater Panel-	

		Center for Land Based Learning Speaker Series (July 16, 4:30pm-7:30pm)	
20-26	<u>Ecotrust</u> Come Thru Market: A market Centering Black and Indigenous Makers (July 21, 3pm-7pm)	<u>Ohio State University Extension</u> Ohio State Fair (July 23-July 31)	<u>Cultivate Kansas City</u> MVP Workday – Ivanhoe Community Garden (July 25, 9am-11am)
27-31	<u>University of Arizona Cooperative Extension</u> Smartscales (July 8 - Aug 7)	<u>Widget Business Training Company</u> Food Supply Chain: Value-Added Production (July 25)	<u>Ohio State University Extension</u> North American Manure Expo (July 30-31)

AUGUST			
1-4	<u>Virginia State University SFOP</u> Controlled Environmental Ag & Precision Agriculture Workshop and Tour. (Aug 1, 8am-9am)	<u>Memphis Dawah Association</u> Free Whitehaven Health Fair (Aug 4)	<u>University of Arizona Cooperative Extension</u> In-person Food Protection Certification Training (Aug 4, 8:30am-5:30pm)
5-9	<u>University of Missouri</u> Fisher Delta REEC Ag Research Expo (Aug 6, all day)	<u>West Michigan Environmental Action Council</u> Environmental Book Club (Aug 6, 6:30pm-7pm)	<u>Cultivate Kansas City</u> Agriculture Coffee Talk (Aug 7, 8:30am - 9:30am)
10-16	<u>Ecotrust</u> 2nd Annual Indigenous Agroforestry Network Gathering (Aug 12-14)	<u>Keep Growing Detroit</u> Food Production + Value added Products (Aug 13th, 6pm-8pm)	<u>Ohio State University Extension</u> Coffee and Grain Marketing with Dr. Seungki lee (Aug 15, 7:30am-8am)
17-23	<u>Ecotrust</u> Come Thru Market: A market Centering Black and Indigenous Makers (August 18, 3pm-7pm)	<u>University of Arizona Cooperative Extension</u> Virtual Food Protection Certification Training (Aug 18 & 20, 9am-11am)	<u>University of Illinois Extension</u> IL-EATS Farmers Network Meeting (Aug 20, pm-7pm)
24-31	<u>Renewing the Countryside</u> Interactive State Fair Food & Farming	<u>Keep Growing Detroit</u> Gathering of Growers: Raspberry Moon/ Msikomini	<u>Widget Business Training Company</u> Food Supply Chain: Marketing

Cooperator Calendars

Farm School
NYC

Ecotrust

University of
Arizona
Extension

University of
Illinois
Extension

Keep Growing
Detroit



Networking Exchange: Success Stories from the Field

Flynn Olivarez of Mariquita Medicinals in Portland, Oregon, joined us at our last networking exchange to share her successes, challenges, and cultivating practices in this changing urban ag landscape.

We are grateful for this energy as we continue to support our farmers and community professionals throughout this work.

Mariquita Medicinals

- Medicinal herbs
- Cut flowers
- Elderberry tree starts

Mariquita medicinals is a small scale herb and flower farm and apothecary, tending to las plantitas and focusing on community wellness, caring for the land and the interconnectedness of all things.



Urban Insights

Virtual Training in Agriculture Advocacy - Pasa Sustainable Agriculture

Pasa Sustainable Agriculture, our Philly cooperator, has put together an extensive resource site with fact sheets, reports, webinars, and trainings. Dive into this recorded webinar about how to get more involved with advocacy in your area.

Best Practices for the Sustainable Urban Farm - SARE

Download this SARE guide to urban farming best practices that highlights a wide variety of subjects from land access to pest management. This guide also provides a look ahead to the future of urban ag and resources to utilize to help your operation.

This article, created by Farm Aid, has broken down the priorities, common debates, and bureaucratic history of the US Farm Bill. Learn more about the background and key programs.

Delphine Sellars was one of the amazing keynotes at this year's [NUEL Southern & 1890s Regional Conference](#). Highlighting her journey to creating [Urban Community AgroNomics \(UCAN\)](#) in the heart of Durham, North Carolina. See video below on their journey.



Relevant Links

[Secretary Rollins Announces New State Directors for the Farm Service Agency and Rural Development | Home](#) U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke Rollins today announced the latest slate of presidential appointments for key Farm Service Agency (FSA) and Rural Development (RD) State Director roles.

[USDA Cancels Biden Era Climate Slush Fund, Reprioritizes Existing Funding to Farmers | Home](#)- The Partnership for Climate-Smart Commodities has been dissolved and renamed Advancing Market for Producers. This name change comes with some different parameters. Read the Secretary's official address [HERE](#)

[Secretary Rollins Announces Farmers First: Small Family Farms Policy Agenda | Home](#) U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins today released the first set of policy proposals under her newly launched Make Agriculture Great Again Initiative.

[USDA to Issue \\$1.3 Billion to Specialty Crop Producers Through Second Marketing Assistance Program Payment |](#) Secretary of Agriculture Brooke Rollins today announced a second round of payments coming this week for specialty crop producers through the Marketing Assistance for Specialty Crops (MASC) program.

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