Welcome to National Open Forum

Community, Local, and Regional Food Systems (CLRFS) eXtension Network

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Brief Overview of Agenda

• Introduction and background
• What is new on eXtension Local Food website?
• USDA AMS updates
• Working group updates
• Announcements and discussion
For Extension Professionals and the Public They Serve

We are a knowledge-to-action service that is an integral part of the U.S. Cooperative Extension System

- Knowledge resources from America’s land-grant universities and the Cooperative Extension System
- Answers to your questions by university experts around the country
- See more in Resources

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- Share and co-create innovative approaches to serve communities nationwide
- See more in Getting Started

Recent Posts

Community Issue Corps Launch Meeting Monday

Citizen Science Resources for Cooperative Extension

As part of my 2015-16 Extension Citizen Science Fellowship, I compiled a set of resources for Citizen Science in Cooperative Extension. Read...
What we offer:
1. Examples
   • Program
   • Curriculum
   • Case study and practice
   • Evaluation and assessment
   • Article, report, news lease
2. Discussions
   • Issues
   • Challenges and risks
   • Success stories and strategies
   • Solutions and impacts
3. Connections
   • Project
   • Collaboration
   • Support

Choosing Wholesale Markets for Local Food Products
Authors: Dave Lamie, Clemson University; Matt Ernst, University of Kentucky, Dept. of Agricultural Economics; Tim Woods, University of Kentucky, Dept. of...

Hungry for Change: Partnering with Small Food Retailers to Increase Healthy Food Access
By Kara Lubischer, University of Missouri Extension and Kay Gasen, University of Missouri – St. Louis
For many Americans, buying healthy foods is as simple...>Read More
Resources
This list includes areas with current content and those that are under development.

Food System Supply Chain
- Niche Production & Value Chain
- Producers/Growers
- Urban Agriculture
- Food Processing and Safety
- Institutional Food Procurement & Preparation
- Marketing & Markets
- Distribution & Aggregation
- Resource & Waste Recovery

Food Systems Processes & Practices
- Consumer Food Preparation
- Nutrition & Health
- Food & Agriculture Policy
- Food Security
- Food Justice & Food Sovereignty
- Regional Impacts & Opportunities

Values & Concepts
- Values in Community Food Systems
- Definition of Key Terms
- Innovations from the Field

Recommended Resources
- Organizations Working on Food Systems
- Book and Resource Reviews
- eCoPs with related content
- Upcoming national events
- Web Resources from our Partners

CLRFs Sponsored Events
- CLRFs Food Security Conference
- Related Publications

Community Food System News

Our People
Kim Niewolny, Associate Professor at Virginia Tech

Recent Webinars
Resources for research and outreach on structural racism in the U.S. food system: Insights from the 4th edition of MSU Center for Regional Food Systems' Annotated Bibliography

Foodborne Outbreaks—What You Need to Know

New Legal Resources to Assist Farmers in Direct Marketing

Ready Community: Vulnerability and Resilience

Alternatives to antibiotics in poultry production

Trending Questions
- Selling local foods to schools, hospitals, etc.
- Farm to Institution in Ohio

Tweets
by @extension4u

Avian influenza strikes Tennessee poultry breeding facility. Learn about #birdflu at articles.extension.org/page/e2425 AVR...

Embed View on Twitter

United States Department of Agriculture
National Institute of Food and Agriculture

This work is supported by the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture. New Technologies for Ag Extension project.
Request Letter of Support

• Contact Kathleen Liang and Katie Wright at least 1 month before the proposal due date
  • Discuss your project and you intend to work with eXtension
  • Discuss types of services and functions that eXtension can support your project

• Provide a summary of project purpose, goals, objectives, and expected outcome
  (3 weeks before proposal due date)

• Provide a few sentences of key elements focusing on what, why, and how you intend to collaborate with the eXtension Community of Practice, including an estimated budget to support eXtension services (2-3 weeks before proposal due date)

• Letter of support will be prepared and returned to PI once we review your information

• We support majority of requests
• Local Food Impact Conference Reflection – April 3 and April 4 at GWU (updates in next slide)
• Food Hub Directory – Consolidating – New Listings Welcome
• Economic Impact Toolkit
• NASS Local Food Marketing Practices Data Release
• Farmers Market Incentive Co-op Agreements: MD, MI, WA
• Upcoming Report releases:
  • CSA Report
  • Mobile Market Report
  • FM Market Managers Survey
  • History of FMPP

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Local Food Impact Conference Reflection

• http://foodinstitute.gwu.edu/local-foods-impact-conference-speakers/
• Programs, funding, and support from private and public institutions
• Success and challenges/obstacles for local food
• Performance, validation, and evaluation
• Data
  • Sources, collection, and analysis
  • Approaches – Quantitative, Qualitative, and Mixed methods
  • Examples – IMPLAN, Mapping Systems
  • Challenges in consistency and collaborative effort
eXtension CLRFS committee on local food economics: localfoodeconomics.com

- Supported by USDA AMS Toolkit project until 9/2017
- New support from USDA AFRI grant focused on farm to school
- Will be revising website – feature related projects
  - contact Becca if interested
- Upcoming Toolkit trainings:
  - 4/5-4/7: New England Farm to Institution (Boston, MA)
  - 4/20 Choctaw Nation (OK)
  - 5/19: Cornell University (Ithaca, NY)
  - July WAEA (Lake Tahoe)
Undoing Inequality in the Food System
Working Group

Webinar: Resources for Research and Outreach on Structural Racism in the U.S. Food System

Partners: MSU Center for Regional Food Systems, Sustainable Agriculture Education Association (SAEA)

170 attendees

Webinar recording: https://youtu.be/KzpRMB7JhrQ
Tim Woods, University of Kentucky  
tim.woods@uky.edu

- **MarketReady Producer Training Program**
  - 17 states, expanded farm-to-school

- **Local Foods Vitality Index**
  - See FDRS Proceedings, national survey completed, additional community indices being developed (with Jairus Rossi & Alison Davis)

- **CSA Manager National Survey**
  - Completed – forthcoming USDA-AMS report with Debbie Tropp

- **CSA Employer Voucher Programs**
  - FMPP and later LFPP projects (Rossi & Davis)

- **Legitimacy of Local Food in the U.S. Market**
  - National survey of consumers examining four legitimacy types and applied to local food marketing
  - With Ali Asgari, MS Thesis completed 2016
Cooperative Extension
Training workshops, Organic Vegetable Gardening, Organic Certification, Tropical Fruits, Grafting, High tunnels

Research
- Cultivar Evaluations, Weeds
- Organic leafy greens, tomato and sweetpotato production
- International Agriculture

Teaching
- AGSC 4555/5015
  (Principles of Organic Agriculture)
- Organic Certification Course (Non-credit)
Events

- Good Food Talks webinar series:
  Topic: Economic Impacts of Local Food Systems
  Date: Thursday, May 25, 2017
  Time: 1:00 pm Eastern Time (10:00 am Pacific Time)

- Training and Certification CoP Pre-conference workshop at CDS/NACDEP Annual Conference in Big Sky, Montana; June 11-14, 2017

New Features on NAFSN Website

- NAFSN Education and Training Calendar
- Good Food Jobs Aggregator

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Goal: We support, connect, and build capacity of food networks to contribute to the implementation of Minnesota Food Charter strategies.

Healthy Food Access Resources

Food Networks

Food networks are community-based, cross-sector groups of individuals and organizations working to solve complex challenges of the food system.

Food Networks in Minnesota

Search for a food network near you using our map and directory.

Over 70 networks!

Convening of Minnesota Food Network Leaders

Learn about the "unconference" that brought together over 80 current and emerging food network leaders from across Minnesota.

Research and Reports

Find out what Health and Nutrition educators have learned as a result of participating in and evaluating the work of food networks both in Minnesota and around the nation.

Our work aligns with

Learn more: z.umn.edu/foodnetworks
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* A spell checker to improve your search
* The ability to select records for actions such as formatting citations, printing, emailing records to yourself or a colleague, sending to a reference manager, or downloading in multiple formats
* Seeing if an item is in a nearby library
* Filtering retrieved results by journal name, publication year, or subject term

NAL is eager to hear from our customers on these new features, and any other reactions to the new interface. Please feel free to send your comments and questions to: https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nal.usda.gov%2Fask-question&data=01%7C01%7Ccliang%40ncat.edu%7Cdcf66887df3c448572a408d476dc3c51%7Cd844dd75a4d74b1fbd33bc0b1c796c38%7C0&sdata=TBD7ynqjjohFXFAZkUG%2BFg8sNnZVGDATPSyqvYPeHY8%3D&reserved=0.
Who? The National Farm Viability Conference is geared towards professionals in the fields of farm and food business planning, financial planning, agricultural financing, farmland conservation, agricultural market development, and food hub management.

What? The conference is an opportunity to network and learn from other professionals in your field, develop new knowledge and skills, and visit farms and value-added processing facilities.

Sponsorships are always welcome. If your organization would like to support the conference, click here for more information.

Click here to see the draft agenda. The page will be updated as more agenda items are finalized. Check back often!

Click here if you are interested in submitting a proposal for presentation at the conference. Final submission date is March 1.

This year’s conference is a collaboration between the American Farmland Trust, the Hudson Valley Agribusiness Development Corporation, GrowNYC, the Vermont Farm & Forest Viability Program, the Cornell Small Farms Program and Kitchen Table Advisors.
Open Discussion and Thank you!

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