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NECAFS Annual Meeting



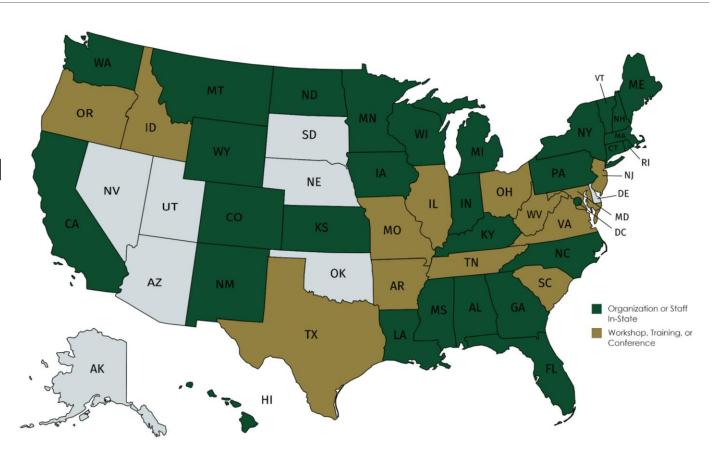


Local Food Safety Collaborative

What is LFSC?

Outreach, education, and training to local fruit and vegetable growers and processors on food safety best practices and FSMA

	Y1	Y2	Y3
Total Subs	15	18	21
\$ Awarded	\$648k	\$824k	\$952k



23 Subrecipients Since 2016





What Does LFSC Do?

Outreach











thefarmersguild Luke & Rob at Sonoma Farm at Sweetwater Spectrum show us some gorgeous trays of microgreens. Do you grow microgreens. Do you grow microgreens and/or sprouts? Do you know how FSMA defines microgreens vs. sprouts? 3° Tip #18; FSMA \$112.141 states that. "The requirements of this subpart apply to growing, harvesting, packing, and holding of all sprouts, except soil or substrate-grown sprouts harvest without their roots." So if you're

growing seeds in soil and cutting the stem during harvest, you are growing microgreens, NOT sprouts. If you are growing sprouts than make sure to

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Education



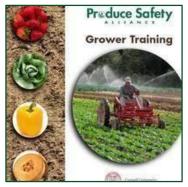






Training



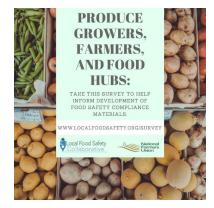






Main Deliverables

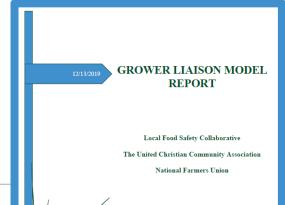
Needs Assessment

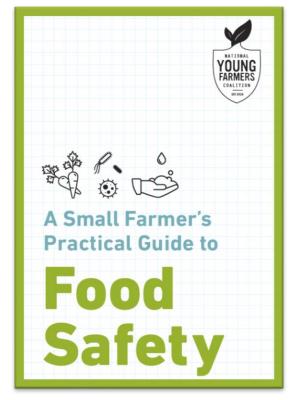




Grower Liaison Model Produce Safety Guide











Metrics Through December 2019

- 137 Produce Safety Alliance Grower or Train the Trainer Trainings
 - 2,735 Individuals attended PSA trainings
 - 117 People sent to PSA Train-the-Trainers
- 620 Conferences or Workshops attended/held
- 59,188 Stakeholders engaged







2020-2022 Proposal

WHAT LOCAL GROWERS WANT

- Performance period: Up to 2 years
- Budget: \$2 million / year
- 19 subrecipients included
- Major Objectives:
 - Education
 - Resource Development
 - Workshops
 - Outreach
 - Conferences
 - Training
 - Standard and Alternate
 Curriculums

- Technical Assistance
 - On-farm
- Evaluation



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

This includes assistance with paperwork, grant writing, and help with tailored information about FSMA compliance for their operation



The crop-specific information requested ranged for every stage of development to processing of the crop as well as how food safety risks were impacted





COMMUNICATION

Growers expressed frustration with the complexity of food safety requirements at the local, state, federal, and industry levels and outlined their need for them to be clearly shared



Resources that could be adapted to the size of operation were requested, specifically in demonstrating examples of food safety implementation and risk mitigation. (e.g. case studies)











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