

2026

2026 Upcoming Events, Funding, and Deadlines

For Small-scale, regenerative, sustainable farmers in the St Louis region:

The following list includes trainings, educational workshops & field days, conferences, and funding and fellowship opportunities.

☐ Dec 2026

☐ Funding

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☐ Learning

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☐ Other

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☐ Nov 2026

☐ Funding

- ☐ Nov 15 (verification deadline) - [Pollinator Habitat Incentive Program](#) (\$100/acre) | American Farmland Trust

☐ Learning

- ☐ Nov 5 - Nov 21 - [Beginning Chainsaw Safety Workshop](#) | MU Extension - Virtual and in-person in St Charles, MO

☐ Other

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☐ Oct 2026

☐ Funding

- ☐ Oct 12 - [Foundational \(\\$500-\\$1k\)/Land Stewardship \(\\$5k\)/Transformational \(\\$10k\) Grants](#) | For Farmers Movement

☐ Learning

- ☐ Oct 9 - [Black Walnut Grower Workshop](#) | MU Center for Agroforestry - New Franklin, MO
- ☐ Oct 28 - 9-950am - [Farmland Succession Cafe](#) | American Farmland Trust

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☐ Other

- ☐ Oct 10 - [Missouri Chestnut Festival](#) | MU Center for Agroforestry

☐ Sep 2026

☐ Funding

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☐ Learning

- ☐ Sep 17 - 8am-4pm - [Rooted for the Long Term: Fall Field Day](#) | Forrest Keeling Nursery - Elsberry, MO
- ☐ Sep 17 - 8am-4pm - [Busby & Carver Research Farms Field Day](#) | Lincoln University and Missouri Organic Association - Jefferson City, MO
- ☐ Sep 30 - 9-950am - [Farmland Succession Cafe](#) | American Farmland Trust

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☐ **Other**

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☐ **Aug 2026**

☐ **Funding**

- ☐ Aug 11 - [Expanding Agroforestry Program](#) | The Nature Conservancy
- ☐ Aug 15 - [The Livestock Conservancy's Microgrant](#) (\$500-\$2k)

☐ **Learning**

- ☐ Aug 1 - [Stay Away From my Squash: Pest Management for Cucurbits](#) | MU Extension - at Seeds of Hope Farm, Spanish Lake, MO
- ☐ Aug 7 - 8am-12pm & Aug 8 - 2pm-6pm - [2-Day Poultry Processing Workshop](#) | Illinois Extension & Food Works - at The Flock Farm - Anna, IL
- ☐ Aug 26 - 9-950am - [Farmland Succession Cafe](#) | American Farmland Trust

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☐ **Other**

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☐ **Jul 2026**

☐ **Funding**

- ☐ [Sow Joy](#) is opening up a new grant cycle this year in the fall. Sow Joy Peoples Fund is a community-led participatory fund focused on resourcing the environmental justice movement. To learn more schedule a meeting with Amanda Tello Amanda@sowjoyfund.org; [scheduling link](#)
- ☐ Jul 27 - [Conservation Innovation Grants](#) | Natural Resource Conservation Service
- ☐ Jul 31 - [Community ReGrant](#) (\$2k) | Women in Ranching

☐ **Learning**

- ☐ Jul 1 - [Beginning Farmer Institute](#) | National Farmers Union

- ☐ Jul 14 - 12-1 pm - [Easy Farm Record Keeping with Google Sheets](#) | MU Extension
- ☐ Jul 14 - 630-730pm - [Midwest Agroforestry Farm Network Virtual Meetup](#) (IA, IL, WI) | Savanna Institute
- ☐ Jul 20 - [Growing Ginger & Turmeric](#) | Illinois Extension - at Pink Tiger Farm, Goreville, IL
- ☐ Jul 23 - 6-730pm - [Growing Your Online Visibility: SEO & GEO for Farm and Food Businesses](#) | MU Extension
- ☐ Jul 29 - 9-950am - [Farmland Succession Cafe](#) | American Farmland Trust

☐ **Other**



☐ **Jun 2026**

☐ **Funding**

- ☒ Jun 15 (verification deadline) - [Pollinator Habitat Incentive Program](#) (\$100/acre) | American Farmland Trust
- ☒ Jun 18 (applications accepted) - [National Farm Viability Grant](#) (up to \$10k) | American Farmland Trust
- ☒ Jun 29 - [The National Bison Production & Marketing Grant](#) | USDA

☐ **Learning**

- ☒ Jun 6 - 2-530pm - [Farm to Fiber Field Day](#) | Food Works - at Rolling Oak Alpaca Ranch - Makanda, IL
- ☒ Jun 9 & 10 - 1245-5pm - [FSMA Produce Safety Alliance Grower Training](#) | Kansas State University (\$150)
- ☒ Jun 9 - 6-7pm - [Legal Training for Illinois Small Farms: 5 Steps to Protect Your Farm, Legally Speaking](#) | Illinois Extension
- ☒ Jun 24-25 - [Small Ruminant School](#) | Lincoln University - Jefferson City, MO
- ☒ Jun 24 - [Stay off My Broccoli!: Pest Management for Brassica Pests](#) | MU Extension at Seeds of Hope Farm - 1120 Trampe Ave Spanish Lake, MO
- ☒ Jun 25 - 9am-3pm - [Virtual Fence Symposium](#) | MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture - Bradford Research Farm, Columbia, MO
- ☒ Jun 25 - 1-2pm - [Queer Farmers Front Porch](#) - National Young Farmers Coalition
- ☒ Jun 30 - [Healthy Goats, Healthy Soils: Integrating Livestock into Market Garden Production](#) | NCAT

☐ **Other**

- ☒ Jun 12 — [2026 Harvesting Our Potential Mentorships](#) | Women, Food, & Ag Network

☐ May 2026

☐ Funding



☐ Learning

- ☒ May 1 — 10am-1230pm — [Tunnel to Table Field Day at Millsap Farms](#) | MU Extension — Springfield, MO — \$10
- ☒ May 9 — 11am-2pm — [Shroom School](#) | Just a Couple of Fungi's
- ☒ May 10 — 11am-2pm — [Shroom School](#) | Just a Couple of Fungi's
- ☒ May 12 — 1-330pm — [Tunnel to table Field Day at Buckeye Acres Produce Farm](#) | MU Extension — Warrensburg, MO — \$10
- ☒ May 15 — 1-2pm — [Climate Circle Series](#) | Marbleseed
- ☒ May 18 — 430-7pm — [Tunnel to Table Field Day at Meyer Farms](#) | MU Extension — Louisiana, MO — \$10
- ☒ May 20 — 4-5pm — [Growing Native Food Crops in St Louis](#) | Grow Native!

☐ Other

- ☒ May 4 — 830am-3pm — [Black Farmers & Growers Lobby Day](#) | Illinois Stewardship Alliance — Illinois State Capitol — Springfield, IL
- ☒ May 6 (applications due) — [Roots & Bloom Fellowship](#) | National Young Farmers Association
- ☒ May 31 — 2-330pm — [Midwest Farmers of Color Social Hang](#) | Midwest Farmers of Color

☐ Apr 2026

☐ Funding

- ☒ Apr 15 — [Value-Added Producer Grants](#) (\$50-\$200k) | USDA

☐ Learning

- ☒ Apr 1 — 9am-5pm — [Produce Safety Alliance Grower Training Course](#) (in-person) | MU Extension — St Louis, MO — \$165 (free for beginning farmers in St Louis City and County), registration required
- ☒ Apr 2 — 9am-230pm — [Keep Moving Forward with Saffron](#) | North American Center for Saffron Research & Development — \$70
- ☒ Apr 8 — [Locally Grown Flower Bouquet Workshop with Urban Buds](#) | Bowood — St Louis, MO | \$75
- ☒ Apr 8 — 1-230pm — [Grow Your Own Mushrooms Workshop](#) | Lincoln University — St Louis
- ☒ Apr 9 — 12-330pm — [Food Safety for Farmers Market Vendors](#) (In Illinois) | Illinois Farmers Market Association

- ☒ ~~Apr 10 - 1230-3pm - [Apple Tree Grafting Workshop](#) | MU Extension - St Peters, MO - \$20~~
- ☒ ~~Apr 11 - 9am-3pm - [Forest Farming in the Ozarks](#) | Forest Farming Coalition - Graveis Mills, MO - \$10~~
- ☒ ~~Apr 13 - 5-740pm - [Project Wingspan](#) (for IL farmers) | Pollinator Partnership~~
- ☐ Apr 14 - 6-7pm - [Legal Training for Illinois Small Farms: Land Leasing Basics](#) | Illinois Extension
- ☐ Apr 15 - 430-7pm - [Tunnel to Table Field Day at Early Bird Farm](#) | MU Extension - Wright City, MO - \$10
- ☐ Apr 15 - 5-740pm - [Project Wingspan](#) (for IL farmers) | Pollinator Partnership
- ☐ Apr 17 - 1-2pm - [Climate Circle Series](#) | Marbleseed
- ☐ Apr 17 - 5-740pm - [Project Wingspan](#) (for IL farmers) | Pollinator Partnership
- ☐ Apr 26 - 2-330pm -
- ☐ Apr 28 - [Tunnel to Table Field Day at EarthDance Organic Farm School](#) | MU Extension - Feguson, MO - \$10

☐ **Other**

- ☐ Apr 10 (deadline to apply) - [2026 Organic Seed Production Online Course](#) | Organic Seed Alliance (14-session course begins May 2026)
- ☐ Apr 26 - 2-330pm - [Midwest Farmers of Color Social Hang](#) | Midwest Farmers of Color

☐ **Mar 2026**

☐ **Funding**

- ☐ Ongoing - [Farm & Ranch Transitions Support Grant](#) (\$10K) | American Farmland Trust
- ☒ ~~Mar 3 - [Catalyzing Agroforestry Grant Program](#) | Catalyzing Agroforestry~~
- ☒ ~~Mar 8 - [Illinois Farm to Food Bank Capacity Building Grant](#) (up to \$100K) | Feeding Illinois~~
- ☐ Mar 27 - [Illinois Local Food Infrastructure Grant](#) (\$75K-\$250K) | Illinois Department of Agriculture

☐ **Learning**

- ☐ Mar 4-Apr 1 - [TEAMs: Training & Education for Aspiring Managers](#) | FairShare CSA Coalition - \$100
- ☒ ~~Mar 4 - 11am - [Industry Trends & Forecasts: What's Coming & How to Prepare](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers~~

- ☑ Mar 5—12pm—[Seed Saving Webinar](#) | Seed Savers Exchange and The Land Connection
- ☑ Mar 6-7—[Farm to Fork Summit & Expo](#) | New Growth—Nevada, MO—Scholarships available for farmers & ranchers
- ☑ Mar 9-13—12-1pm—[Selling at the Farmers Market 2026 Series](#) | MU Extension—\$10
- ☑ Mar 10—12pm—[Are You Ready to Host a Farmstay](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust
- ☑ Mar 11—11am—[Selling to Florists? Here's What You Need to Know](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☑ Mar 11—12-1pm—[Thrive: Women Farmers Aging Strong Series](#) | Renewing the Countryside
- ☑ Mar 11—4-5pm—[Native Fruits to Diversify your Farm & Garden](#) | Grow Native!
- ☑ Mar 11-13—[Perennial Farm Gathering](#) | Savannah Institute | Dubuque, IA
- ☑ Mar 14—[Apple Grafting Workshop with Blue Heron Orchard](#) | at Rustic Roots Sanctuary—St Louis, MO
- ☑ Mar 16—5-740pm—[Project Wingspan](#) (for IL farmers) | Pollinator Partnership
- ☑ Mar 17—12pm—[First Aid Fundamentals for Livestock: Caring for pigs](#) | FACT
- ☑ Mar 18—9am—[Soil Health & Water Quality: Practical Solutions that Work](#) | One Water Missouri
- ☑ Mar 18—10am-3pm—[Farm Labor Workshop with Happy Hollow Farm](#) | MU Extension—Jamestown, MO
- ☑ Mar 18—5-740pm—[Project Wingspan](#) (for IL farmers) | Pollinator Partnership
- ☑ Mar 18—[Selling Wholesale: Is that Right for Your Farm?](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☑ Mar 19—11am—[Integrating Water Conservation Strategies at the Farm Landscape Level](#) | American Farmland Trust
- ☑ Mar 20—1-2pm—[Climate Circle Series](#) | Marbleseed
- ☑ Mar 20—5-740pm—[Project Wingspan](#) (for IL farmers) | Pollinator Partnership
- ☑ Mar 21—10am-430pm—[Spring Equinox Herbalism Day Retreat](#) | Flourish Folk School at Rustic Roots Sanctuary—St Louis, MO—\$55
- ☑ Mar 24-25—[Dig Deep, Rise Together: For Our Farm & Food Future Conference](#) | Illinois Stewardship Alliance

- ☒ ~~Mar 25 - 11am - [USDA's New Grant Terms: What They Mean & How to Move Forward](#) | Farm Commons~~
- ☒ ~~Mar 25 - 11am - [Increasing Profitability in Tough Times](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers~~
- ☒ ~~Mar 28 - 10-12pm - [Fruit Tree Grafting Workshop](#) | Illinois Extension - Hillsboro, IL - \$30~~
- ☒ ~~Mar 30 - 12-1pm - [The Hot Tea of Fly Ins: Encountering Your Members of Congress](#) | National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition & Women Food & Ag Network~~
- ☒ ~~Mar 31 - [Athletes in Overalls: Movement Health & Injury Prevention](#) | Not Our Farm, FairShare CSA Coalition, UWM Extension~~

☐ **Other**

- ☒ ~~Mar 22 - 7-9pm - [Won't You Feed My Neighbor](#) (Reel Conversations, a film series) | Empower MO - FREE~~
- ☒ ~~Mar 25 - [Farm & Food Advocacy Day](#) | Illinois Stewardship Alliance - Springfield, IL~~
- ☐ ~~Mar 29 - 2pm - [Midwest Farmers of Color Social Hang](#) | Midwest Farmers of Color~~
- ☐ ~~Mar 31 - 4pm - [NRC-SARE Administrative Council Applications](#)~~

☐ **Feb 2026**

☐ **Funding**

- ☒ ~~Feb 17 - Regenerative Grazing (\$50/acre) - [Missouri Conservation Crop & Livestock \(CRCL\) Project](#) | MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture~~
- ☒ ~~Feb 17 - [Farmer Veteran Fellowship Fund](#) (\$5k) | Farmer Veteran Coalition~~

☐ **Learning**

- ☒ ~~Feb 3 - 12-1pm - [Growing Resilience: Crop Insurance 101 Webinars for Specialty Crop Producers](#) | American Farmland Trust~~
- ☒ ~~Feb 3-5 - [Aging Strong Virtual Retreat](#) | Renewing the Countryside~~
- ☒ ~~Feb 6-7 - [2026 Annual Conference: Roots to Revenue](#) | Missouri Organic Association~~
- ☒ ~~Feb 10 - 12-1pm - [Growing Resilience: Crop Insurance 101 Webinars for Specialty Crop Producers](#) | American Farmland Trust~~
- ☒ ~~Feb 11 - 12-1pm - [Fortify: Women Farmers Aging Strong Series](#) | Renewing the Countryside~~

- ☑ Feb 12-15 — [3rd Annual National Farm Stop Conference](#) — Ann Arbor, MI
- ☑ Feb 16 — 12-3pm — [Hands-on Tree Pruning Workshop](#) | MU Extension — 260 Brown Rd, St Peters, MO — \$10
- ☑ Feb 17 — 12pm — [Subscriptions for every stage of business: How recurring revenue can boost your farm's profitability](#) | FACT
- ☑ Feb 18 — 6pm — [One Model, Many Pathways: The Farmland Commons in Practice](#) | Women, Food, & Ag Network and The Farmers Land Trust
- ☑ Feb 18 — 6-7pm — [People & Plants Series: Growing Food is an Act of Resistance](#) | New England Botanic Garden
- ☑ Feb 19 — 11am — [It Starts with the Soil: Soil Health Practices for Water Conservation](#) | American Farmland Trust
- ☑ Feb 20 — 1-2pm — [Climate Circle Series](#) | Marbleseed
- ☑ Feb 21 — 930am-320pm — [Seed STL Community Ag Conference](#) | Seed STL — Delmar Divine, 5501 Delmar Blvd, St Louis, MO — \$10
- ☑ Feb 22 — 1pm — [Winter Growing Field Day](#) | Food Works — at All Seasons Farm — Cobden, IL
- ☑ Feb 24 — 6-7pm — [Safekeeping the Farm: Farm Safety Planning & Emergency Preparedness](#) | Women, Food, & Ag Network
- ☑ Feb 25 — 12-1pm — [Protect: Women Farmers Aging Strong Series](#) | Renewing the Countryside
- ☑ Feb 26-28 — [Marbleseed's 37th Annual Organic Farming Conference](#) | Marbleseed — LaCrosse, WI
- ☑ Feb 27 — 11am — [ICE on the Farm: Complexities & Nuances](#) | Farm Commons

☐ **Other**

- ☑ [Harvesting Our Potential \(HOP\) Mentorships](#) | Women, Food, and Ag Network — seeking mentors in Missouri & Illinois, deadline to apply — Feb 6

☐ **Jan 2026**

☐ **Funding**

- ☑ [Illinois Local Food Infrastructure Grant](#) (\$75K-\$250K) | Illinois Department of Agriculture
- ☑ Jan 3 — [Fund a Farmer Grant](#) (3.5K-10K) | Food Animal Concerns Trust (FACT)
- ☑ Jan 16 — [Good Farmer Award](#) (\$10k) | Davines Group & Rodale Institute
- ☑ Jan 20 — [Sky High Grant](#) | (up to \$35k) | Sky High Farm

- ☑ Jan 23 — [2026 Rural Regeneration Storytelling Project](#) (\$4k) | Climate Land Leaders
- ☑ Jan 30 — [Fruit Guys Community Fund Grant](#) (\$5k) | Fruit Guys
- ☑ Jan 31 — Conservation Fieldscapes (\$10K) — [Missouri Conservation Crop & Livestock \(CRCL\) Project](#) | MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture

☐ Learning

- ☑ Jan 8-10 — Great Plains Growers Conference
- ☑ Jan 14 — 12-1pm — [Stew: Women Farmers Aging Strong Series](#) | Renewing the Countryside
- ☑ Jan 14 — 1-5pm — [Tree Crop Workshop](#) | MU Center for Agroforestry — Bradford Research Farm, Columbia, MO
- ☑ Jan 15 — 9am-4pm — [2026 Agroforestry Symposium: Growing Opportunities in Emerging Tree Crop Industries](#) | MU Center for Agroforestry — Columbia, MO
- ☑ Jan 16 — 1-2pm — [Climate Circle Series](#) | Marbleseed
- ☑ Jan 20-22 — [Aging Strong Virtual Retreat](#) | Renewing the Countryside
- ☑ Jan 20-Apr 14 — [Tunnel to Table \(12-session webinar series\): MU Extension's Guide to Growing Specialty Crops in Tunnels for High Yields and Low Risks](#) | MU Extension
- ☑ Jan 22-24 — [GrassWorks Grazing Conference](#) | GrassWorks Inc — LaCrosse, WI
- ☑ Jan 23 — [Conservation on the Land Webinar](#) | Missouri Rural Crisis Center
- ☑ Jan 28 — 12-1pm — [Building Community & Contribute: Women Farmers Aging Strong Series](#) | Renewing the Countryside
- ☑ Jan 28-30 — [Everything Local Conference](#) | Illinois Specialty Growers Association — Springfield, IL

2025

2025 Upcoming Events, Funding, and Deadlines

For K&G Farmers:

Trainings, Educational Workshops, Conferences, Funding Opportunities, Application Deadlines

☐ Dec 2025

☐ Funding

- ☐ [FACT Scholarship Program](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust - up to \$400 for livestock farmers to attend edu events like conferences
- ☐ [Illinois Local Food Infrastructure Grant](#) (\$75K-\$250K) | Illinois Department of Agriculture
 - ☐ Deadline not yet announced, but applicants are strongly encouraged to pre-register (required to submit application) now as the process may take 2 weeks or more.
- ☒ ~~Dec 4~~ [Farmer Rancher Grant](#) (\$15K-\$30K) | SARE
- ☒ ~~Dec 10~~ 1pm [Value Added Producer Grant Webinar](#) | USDA
- ☒ ~~Dec 15~~ [Pollinator Habitat Incentive Program](#) Fall Planting (\$100/acre) | American Farmland Trust

☐ Learning

- ☒ ~~Dec 1~~ 9-11am [Becoming the Employer of Choice](#) Onboarding & Training | FairShare CSA Coalition
- ☒ ~~Dec 2~~ 12pm [Subscriptions that Work: How to Generate Recurring Revenue on your Farm](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust
- ☒ ~~Dec 3~~ 12-1pm [Balance: Women Farmers Aging Strong Series](#) | Renewing the Countryside
- ☒ ~~Dec 3~~ 2-4pm [Farm Tax Workshop](#) | MU Extension
- ☒ ~~Dec 4~~ 9-11am [Becoming the Employer of Choice](#) Developing a Motivated Workforce | FairShare CSA Coalition
- ☒ ~~Dec 4~~ 630-830pm [Farm Tax Workshop](#) | MU Extension
- ☒ ~~Dec 8~~ 9-11am [Becoming the Employer of Choice](#) Reviews & Feedback | FairShare CSA Coalition
- ☒ ~~Dec 9~~ [Taking your Animals Across the Finish Line](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust
- ☒ ~~Dec 10~~ 2-330pm [Simplifying the Paperwork: Recordkeeping Strategies for Organic Farmers](#) | National Organic Coalition
- ☒ ~~Dec 11~~ 9-11am [Becoming the Employer of Choice](#) Engaging with Conflict | FairShare CSA Coalition
- ☒ ~~Dec 11~~ 530-630pm [Understanding your Soil Needs](#) | MU Extension

- ☑ Dec 11—630-8pm—[Websites that Convert: How to Make Your Farm's Website Convert Visitors into Customers](#) | Greener Pastures * Meet the Minnesota Makers
- ☑ Dec 17—12-1pm—[Ferment: Women Farmers Aging Strong Series](#) | Renewing the Countryside
- ☑ Dec 18—530-730pm—[Biosecurity Basics & Livestock Diseases Workshop](#) | MU Extension—Warren Co Extension Office, Warrenton, MO
- ☑ Dec 19—1-2pm—[Climate Circle Series](#) | Marbleseed

☐ Other

- ☑ Dec 12 (deadline)—[2026 Marbleseed Conference Scholarship](#)

☐ Nov 2025

☐ Funding

- ☐ [FACT Scholarship Program](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust - up to \$400 for livestock farmers to attend edu events like conferences
- ☐ Nov 1-Feb 15 - Value-Added Producer Grant | USDA
- ☐ Nov 3-Feb 17 - Silvopasture (\$250/acre) - [Missouri Conservation Crop & Livestock \(CRCL\) Project](#) | MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture
- ☑ Nov 3-Feb 17—Regenerative Grazing (\$50/acre)—[Missouri Conservation Crop & Livestock \(CRCL\) Project](#) | MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture
- ☑ Nov 3-Jan 31—Conservation Fieldscapes (\$10K)—[Missouri Conservation Crop & Livestock \(CRCL\) Project](#) | MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture
- ☑ Nov 6—4pm—[NCR-SARE Farmer Rancher Grant Office Hours](#)
- ☑ Nov 13—12pm—[NCR-SARE Farmer Rancher Grant Office Hours](#)
- ☑ Nov 19—[Dairy Producer Grant](#) (\$40K) | Missouri Department of Agriculture
- ☑ Nov 19—[Beef Producer Grant](#) (\$40K) | Missouri Department of Agriculture

☐ Learning

- ☑ Nov 5—12-1pm—[Preserve & Persist: Women Farmers Aging Strong Series](#) | Renewing the Countryside
- ☑ Nov 5—6-730pm—[Bee Smart: Understanding ELAP, API Insurance, & MO Sales Tax for Beekeepers](#) | MU Extension—260 Brown Rd, St Peters, MO
- ☑ Nov 7—12pm-1pm—[Empower Her Plate: Centering Diverse Voices at the Intersection of Food Justice & Environmental Equity](#) | The Conservation Foundation's Inclusion Council

- ☑ Nov 14 - 1-4pm - ~~A New Lou: Renewing Neighborhoods through Food System Transformation~~ | Organized by Dave Gustafson
- ☑ Nov 11-13 - ~~[Aging Strong Virtual Retreat](#)~~ | Renewing the Countryside
- ☑ Nov 13 - 9-11am - ~~[Becoming the Employer of Choice](#)~~ - Developing Intercultural Competence | FairShare CSA Coalition
- ☑ Nov 17 - 9-11am - ~~[Becoming the Employer of Choice](#)~~ - Strategic Leadership | FairShare CSA Coalition
- ☑ Nov 17 - 630-8pm - ~~[Farm Stress Management Cohort](#)~~: Reflecting and Integrating | Midwest Vegetable Growers Network
- ☑ Nov 18 - ~~[Reflections, Relationships, & Resilience](#)~~ | Marbleseed
- ☑ Nov 18 - 6-730pm - ~~[Jump Start Your Farm](#)~~ | MU Extension
- ☑ Nov 19 - 12-1pm - ~~[Rebuild & Recover: Women Farmers Aging Strong Series](#)~~ | Renewing the Countryside
- ☑ Nov 19 - 6-730pm - ~~[Bee Smart: Understanding ELAP, API Insurance, & MO Sales Tax for Beekeepers](#)~~ (virtual) | MU Extension
- ☑ Nov 20 - 9-11am - ~~[Becoming the Employer of Choice](#)~~ - Farm Business Culture | FairShare CSA Coalition
- ☑ Nov 21 - 1-2pm - ~~[Climate Circle Series](#)~~ | Marbleseed
- ☑ Nov 24 - 9-11am - ~~[Becoming the Employer of Choice](#)~~ - Building an Effective Hiring Process | FairShare CSA Coalition
- ☑ Nov 30 (application deadline) - ~~[2026 Agroforestry Training Academy](#)~~ | MU Center for Agroforestry



□ Oct 2025

□ *Funding*

- Open until funds are exhausted - ~~[Agricultural Professional Development Grant for Historically Underserved Illinois Farmers](#)~~ | The Land Connection
- ☑ Oct-Dec (rolling deadlines based on priority topics) - ~~[Agriculture & Food Research Initiative](#)~~ - Foundation and Applied Science Program | USDA National Institute of Food & Agriculture
- ☑ Oct 14 - ~~[Growing Justice Fund Grant](#)~~ | Growing Justice Fund - deadline extended
- ☑ Oct 22 - 1pm - ~~[Value Added Producer Grant 2026 Cycle Webinar](#)~~ | National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition
- ☑ Oct 28 - 12pm - ~~[Getting Your Farm Funded: Understanding FACT's Fund-A-Farmer Grants](#)~~ | Food Animal Concern Trust
- ☑ Oct 31 - ~~[Mutual Aid, Resource, & Capacity Fund Grant](#)~~ (\$7k-10k) | National Black Food & Justice Alliance

☐ Learning

- ✓ Oct 3-5 — [2025 Black Farmers & Urban Gardeners Conference](#) | Black Urban Growers — Detroit, MI
- ✓ Oct 4 — [Forest Farming with Ramps](#) | Midwest Forest Farming Coalition — Hartsburg, MO
- ✓ Oct 7 — 12pm — [Silvopasture for Pigs](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust
- ✓ Oct 7 — 4-6pm — [Bringin the Farm to School](#) | NCAT
- ✓ Oct 17 — 9am-3pm — [Hazelnut Cultivars & Best Practice Recommendations](#) | MU Center for Agroforestry — Horticulture & Agroforestry Research Farm — 10 Research Center Rd, New Franklin, MO
- ✓ Oct 17 — 1-2pm — [Climate Circle Series](#) | Marbleseed
- ✓ Oct 18 — 8:30am-4pm — [Organic Field Day at Busby Farm](#) | Missouri Organic Association & Lincoln University — 5124 Collier Rd, Jefferson City, MO
- ✓ Oct 20 — 5:30-7pm — [Known Your Farm Numbers: Records, Budgets, & Breakeven Basics](#) | MU Extension — Columbia, MO
- ✓ Oct 20 — 7pm-8pm — [Ask an Expert: Floral Design for Destination Weddings and Elopements](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ✓ Oct 21 — [Tim Reinbott: Does the Albrecht System Work?](#) | The Farm Gate Journal — Missouri Organic Association
- ✓ Oct 23 — 1-3:30pm — [Covering Ground: Low Tunnel Solutions for Beginning Farmers in Missouri](#) | MU Extension — St Charles, MO
- ✓ Oct 24 — 12-1pm — [Virtual Fence Foundations: Producers & Providers](#) | MU Extension

☐ Other

- ✓ Oct 18 — 9am-12pm — [Garlic & Plant Sale](#) | Seed St Louis — 3815 Bell Ave., St. Louis, MO 63108
- ✓ Oct 18 — 10am-3pm — [Missouri Chestnut Roast Festival](#) | MU Center for Agroforestry
- ✓ Oct 24 — 3-6pm — EJ Harvest Happy Hour

☐ Sep 2025

☐ Funding

- ✓ Sep 9 — [Growing Justice Fund Grant](#) for BIPOC Farmers (\$25-\$250k) | Growing Justice Fund
- ✓ Sep 15 — [Sheep Production and Marketing Grant Program](#) (average \$29k) | National Sheep Industry Improvement Center
- ✓ Sep 19 — [Show Me Entrepreneurial Grants for Agriculture](#) (SEGA) (\$50-\$250k) | Missouri Department of Agriculture

- ☑ Sep 25—[Urban Agriculture Cost-Share Grant](#) (\$10k) | Missouri Department of Agriculture
- ☐ Open until funds are exhausted - [Agricultural Professional Development Grant for Historically Underserved Illinois Farmers](#) | The Land Connection

☐ **Learning**

- ☑ Sep 4—[Shade-grown, Grass-fed, Free-range: Marketing for Graziers](#) | Agroforestry Coalition
- ☑ Sep 8—7pm-8pm—[Ask an Expert: Speed Guide to Making an Annual Marketing Plan for Cut Flower Farmers](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☑ Sep 9—12pm—[Practical Biochar Implementation Series](#) | American Farmland Trust
- ☑ Sep 9—12pm—[Poultry with a Purpose: The Humane Benefits of Slower Growing Breeds](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust
- ☑ Sep 12—12-1pm—[A Farmer's Legal Guide to Humane Handling Requirements](#) | University of Arkansas
- ☑ Sep 15—630-8pm—[Farm Stress Management Cohort: Weathering Stress](#) | Midwest Vegetable Growers Network
- ☑ Sep 16—12pm—[Humane Handling for Sheep & Goats](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust
- ☑ Sep 16—12-1pm—[Market Opportunities for Regeneratively Grazed Livestock: Cull Cow Session](#) | MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture & Missouri Forage & Grasslands Council
- ☑ Sep 16—1pm—[Neal Kinsey: Success Stories from Soil Health](#) | The Farm Gate Journal—Missouri Organic Association
- ☑ Sep 24—130pm—[Practical Biochar Implementation Series](#) | American Farmland Trust
- ☑ Sep 25—2pm—[Front Porch Session](#) | National Young Farmers Coalition
- ☑ Sep 26—12-1pm—[Virtual Fence Foundations: Pasture Nutrient Management](#) | MU Extension
- ☑ Sep 29-30—[Annual Environmental & Spiritual Summit](#) | Faith in Place
- ☑ Sep 30—12pm—[The Landscape of Mental Health and Financial Support for Midwest Farmers](#) | Regional Rural Development Centers
- ☑ Sep 30—1pm—[Building Soil, Wealth, & Legacies](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust

- ✓ Sep 30—230-330pm—[Pollinators and Pesticides: Supporting Healthy Farms](#) | Black Farmer Fund

☐ **Other**

- ✓ Sep 9—[USDA seeks nominees for National Organic Standards Board](#)

☐ **Aug 2025**

☐ **Funding**

- ✓ Aug 8—[Grasslands Conservation Reserve Program](#) | USDA
- ✓ Aug 15—[The Livestock Conservancy Microgrants](#) (\$500-\$2K) | The Livestock Conservancy
- ✓ Aug 27—[Food Insecure Cost-Share Grant Program](#) (\$50k) | Missouri Department of Agriculture

☐ **Learning**

- ✓ Aug 3-6—[2025 Joint Conference of the Northern Nut Growers Association, the Chestnut Growers of America](#) - Lansing, MI
- ✓ Aug 11—7pm-8pm—[Ask an Expert: Sustainability Practices to Incorporate into Your Farm](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ✓ Aug 15—Managing Lambing and Kidding Complications | MU Extension
- ✓ Aug 16—[Greenhouse Management Systems Learning Circle](#) | MU Extension at North County Agricultural Center—4521 Hamilton Ave, St Louis, MO
- ✓ Aug 18—10am-2pm—[Building Drought Resilience on the Farm: Conservation Tools & Planning](#) | MU Extension—100 Union Plaza Dr, Union, MO
- ✓ Aug 19—10am-2pm—[Building Drought Resilience on the Farm: Conservation Tools & Planning](#) | MU Extension at Memorial Student Union, 518 Hitt St, Columbia, MO
- ✓ Aug 25—11am & 1pm—[Producer Perspectives on Conservation & Drought Resilience](#) | MU Extension
- ✓ Aug 25—6-8pm—[Twilight Farm Tour: Managing Pests of Vegetable & Fruit Crops](#) | MU Extension, LU Extension, EarthDance Organic Farm School—233 S Dade, Ferguson, MO
- ✓ Aug 26—11am & 1pm—[Conservation Support for Producers—Planning and Cost-Share Resources](#) | MU Extension
- ✓ Aug 27—830am-3pm—[Mental Health First Aid \(Virtual\)](#) | MU Extension

- ☑ Aug 27—7pm—[Summer Virtual Meetup: Queer Grazers](#) | National Young Farmers Coalition
- ☑ Aug 29—12-1pm—[Virtual Fence Foundations: Intensive Grazing on Perennial Systems](#) | MU Extension

☐ **Other**

- ☑ Aug 1—Illinois Specialty Growers Association is [seeking speakers](#) for their 2026 Everything Local Conference
- ☑ Aug 16—[Fall Seedling Sale](#) | Seed St Louis—3815 Bell Ave, St Louis
- ☑ Aug 16—930am-4pm—[40th Anniversary Summit](#) | Missouri Rural Crisis Center—204 s 9th St, Columbia, MO
- ☑ Aug 25—[All the Farm's a Stage: A Farmworker Storytelling Fellowship](#) | Not Our Farm (application deadline)
- ☐ MU Center for Agroforestry is seeking farmer vendors for the Agroforestry Chestnut Roast on Oct 18th - 10am-3pm

☐ **Jul 2025**

☐ **Funding**

- ☑ Jul 31—Cover Crop Grazing (\$20/acre)—[Missouri Conservation Crop & Livestock \(CRCL\) Project](#) | MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture
- ☑ Jul 31—[Water Stewardship Grant](#) (\$500-\$5k) | Bells Beer

☐ **Learning**

- ☑ Jul 8—10am-12pm—[Drip Irrigation Learning Circle](#) | MU Extension—St Louis
- ☑ Jul 9—11am-12pm—[Get Your Business on Google Search and Maps Webinar](#) | Oklahoma SBDC
- ☑ Jul 14—7pm-8pm—[Ask an Expert: Developing a Safety Management Program](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☑ Jul 15—12-2pm—[Tax Education for Growing Small Businesses](#) | USDA, IRS, and SBA
- ☑ Jul 17—8am-3pm—[Organics in the Ozarks](#) | Missouri Organic Association—\$10
- ☑ Jul 23-25—[North American Agroforestry Conference](#) | The Association for Temperate Agroforestry and MU Center for Agroforestry—Columbia, MO
- ☑ Jul 24—5-7pm—[Marketing with Purpose to Build Sales and Loyalty](#) | MU Extension—St Louis (in person)
- ☑ Jul 25—12-1pm—[Virtual Fence Foundations: Opportunities for Grazing on Cropland](#) | MU Extension

- ☒ Jul 31 - 10am - 4pm - [3rd Annual Sheep & Goat Field Day](#) | MU Extension - Mt Vernon, MO

☐ Other

- ☐ Jul 25 - Deadline to apply - [Agroforestry Accelerator Program](#) | Food Finance Institute

☐ Jun 2025

☐ **Funding**

- ☒ Jun 2 - Jul 31 - Cover Crop Grazing (\$20/acre) - [Missouri Conservation Crop & Livestock \(CRCL\) Project](#) | MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture
- ☒ Jun 15 - [Cover Crop Variety Testing Network](#) | MU Extension
- ☒ Jun 27 - [Local Food Promotion Program](#) | USDA
- ☒ Jun 27 - [Farmers Market Promotion Program](#) | USDA
- ☒ Jun 27 - [Regional Food System Partnerships Program](#) | USDA

☐ **Learning**

- ☒ Jun 2 - 2pm - [Soil & Soul Farmer Circle](#) | Organic Farming Association
- ☒ Jun 3 - 2-3pm - [Food Forests: Building a Food Producing Ecosystem](#) | Seed STL - St Louis County Library
- ☒ Jun 6 - [Garden Tools 101](#) | Seed St Louis - Bell Community Garden, St Louis
- ☒ Jun 9 - 7pm - 8pm - [Ask an Expert: Companion Planting for Cut Flower Crops](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☒ Jun 16 - 2-4pm - [Low Tunnels Learning Circle](#) | MU Extension and A Red Circle - 4521 N Hamilton Ave, St Louis, MO
- ☒ Jun 17 - [Elderberry Beginning Growers Workshop](#) | River Hills Harvest - Columbia, MO
- ☒ Jun 17 - 1-3pm - [Drip Irrigation Learning Circle](#) | MU Extension - 4265 W Cook Ave, St Louis, MO
- ☒ Jun 18 - 12-1pm - [Missouri Food Systems Network: 2025 Virtual Exchange](#) | MU Extension
- ☒ Jun 18 - 1130am - 1pm - [Organic Waypoints - Navigating Challenges, Stress, & Uncertainty on Your Farm](#) | USDA National Organic Program
- ☒ Jun 18-20 - [International Symposium on Elderberry](#) | Advancing American Elderberry
- ☒ Jun 23 - 5-6pm - [Timing & Logistics in a Crop-Poultry Integrated System](#) | Beginning Farmer & Rancher Development Program

- ☑ ~~Jun 24—5-6pm—~~[Update on Beginning Farmer Resources in a Changing World](#) | Beginning Farmer & Rancher Development Program
- ☑ ~~Jun 26—1-2pm—~~[Engage Your Audience, Grow Your Business](#) | Kansas SBDC
- ☑ ~~Jun 26—5-7pm—~~[Home Poultry Processing Workshop](#) | MU Extension & Phi-Global Farms—808 Coal Bank Rd, St Louis
- ☑ ~~Jun 27—12-1pm—~~[Virtual Fence Foundations: The Basics](#) | MU Extension

☐ **Other**

- ☑ ~~Study on how farmers make decisions about adopting new technology~~ | St Louis University

☐ **May 2025**

☐ **Funding**

- ☑ ~~Self-Care Grant (\$100)~~ | Real Farmer Care
- ☑ ~~Scholarships available (deadline May 30) to attend the~~ [North American Agroforestry Conference](#) ~~Jul 23-25 in Columbia, MO~~
- ☑ ~~May 14—~~[Root & Bloom Fellowship](#) ~~(paid)~~ | National Young Farmers Coalition
- ☑ ~~May 16—~~[Rooted & Rising 2025 Grower Stipends](#) ~~(\$3k)~~ | Native American Food Sovereignty Alliance

☐ **Learning**

- ☑ ~~May 1—12-1pm—~~[Vendor Bootcamp: Marketing Your Brand and Business at Farmers Markets](#) | Illinois Farmers Market Association
- ☑ ~~May 1—6-8pm—~~[Illinois Food System Roadmap](#) ~~(virtual)~~ | Experiment Station
- ☑ ~~May 3—930am-3pm—~~[Forest Farming Workshop](#) | Midwest Forest Farming Coalition | Alan T Busby Farm—Jefferson City, MO
- ☑ ~~May 8—2pm—~~[Soil & Soul Farmer Circle](#): Soil & Spirit: Regenerative & Organic Soil Health Practices | Organic Farming Association
- ☑ ~~May 12—7pm-8pm—~~[Ask an Expert: Online Bookkeeping for Cut Flower Farmers](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☑ ~~May 14—11am-1pm—~~[Illinois Food System Roadmap](#) ~~(virtual)~~ | Experimental Station
- ☑ ~~May 19—7-830pm—~~[Facing Drought: Tough Decisions & Smart Solutions for Graziers](#) | Sustainable Farming Association
- ☑ ~~May 22—630-8pm—~~[Bird Flu: Politics and Preparation](#) | National Young Farmers Coalition
- ☑ ~~May 28—12pm—~~[Practical Biochar Implementation](#) | American Farmland Trust

- ✓ May 29—9am-1230pm—[Storytelling for Sales: using Digital Marketing best Practices](#) | Green Pastures

☐ **Other**

- ✓ Mental Health Interviews (\$300 paid) | K State Urban Food Systems Program—email ylwhalen@ksu.edu for more info
- ✓ May 10—9-11am—[Summer Seedling Sale](#) | Seed St Louis
- ✓ May 14—8am-3pm—[3rd Annual Illinois Black Farmers & Growers Lobby Day](#) | Illinois Stewardship Alliance (& more)—Springfield, IL
- ✓ May 17—9-11am—[Summer Seedling Sale](#) (Extended) | Seed St Louis

☐ **Apr 2025**

☐ **Funding**

- ✓ [Agroforestry Tree Grant](#) | Contour Lines
- ✓ Apr 18—[Plant Stock Access Program](#) | Midwest Forest Farming Coalition
- ✓ Apr 26—[Emergency Resilience Grant](#) (up to \$10k) | American Farmland Trust
- ✓ Scholarships available (deadline May 30) to attend the [North American Agroforestry Conference](#) Jul 23-25 in Columbia, MO

☐ **Learning**

- ✓ Apr 2—1-4pm—[Roots to Profit: Apple & Pear Tree Grafting and Small Farm Business Essentials](#) | MU Extension | Mountain Grove, MO
- ✓ Apr 8—10am-12pm—[Illinois Food System Roadmap](#) (virtual) | Experimental Station
- ✓ Apr 8—6-8pm—[Summer Vegetable Crop Success Series: Solanaceous Crops](#) | MU Extension
- ✓ Apr 9—9am-12pm—[Roots to Profit: Apple & Pear Tree Grafting and Small Farm Business Essentials](#) | MU Extension | St Louis
- ✓ Apr 9—12pm—[Getting Started with Farm Employee Benefits: General Strategies and Considerations](#) | Farm Commons
- ✓ Apr 9—230pm—[Practical Biochar Implementation Webinar Series: Biochar as a Soil Amendment](#) | American Farmland Trust
- ✓ Apr 10—2pm—[Soil & Soul Farmer Circle](#): Cultivating Community: Building Queer and BIPOC Farming Networks | Organic Farming Association
- ✓ Apr 10—6-8pm—[Summer Vegetable Crop Success Series: Cucurbit Crops](#) | MU Extension
- ✓ Apr 11—9am-12pm—[Roots to Profit: Apple & Pear Tree Grafting and Small Farm Business Essentials](#) | MU Extension | Troy

- ☒ Apr 14 - 7-8pm - [Ask an Expert: Developing New Customer Experiences, Diversifying Income Streams](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☒ Apr 15 - 6-8pm - [Summer Vegetable Crop Success Series](#): Sweet Corn and Green Beans | MU Extension
- ☒ Apr 16 - 12pm - [I Want to Offer a pay Raise or Bonus to My Farm Employees. Where Do I Start?](#) | Farm Commons
- ☒ Apr 16, 23, 30 - [Financial Foundations for Farms](#) | Food Finance Institute
- ☒ Apr 17 - 11am - [Tinctures, Salves, and Teas](#): What Laws Apply to Botanical Products? | Farm Commons
- ☒ Apr 17 - 6-8pm - [Summer Vegetable Crop Success Series](#): Farmer Panel & USDA and Farm Business Resources | MU Extension
- ☒ Apr 22 - 1-230pm - [Weed Management in Market Gardens](#): Monthly Webinar Series | Missouri Organic Association
- ☒ Apr 23 - 12pm - [I Want to Offer Health Benefits to My Farm Employees. Where Do I Start?](#) | Farm Commons
- ☒ Apr 23 - 3-5pm - [Illinois Food System Roadmap](#) | Experimental Station | Carbondale, IL
- ☒ Apr 24 - 12-1pm - [Vendor Bootcamp: How to be a Good Market Vendor](#) | Illinois Farmers Market Association
- ☒ Apr 28 - 630-8pm [Farm Stress Management Cohort](#): Planning for Stress Management | Midwest Vegetable Growers Network

☐ **Other**

- ☒ Apr 5 - Spring Seedling Sale | Seed St Louis
- ☒ Apr 8 - [Food & Farm Advocacy Day](#) at Illinois State Capitol | Illinois Stewardship Alliance, Illinois Food Justice Alliance, Illinois Environmental Council

☐ **Mar 2025**

☐ **Funding**

- ☐ [FACT Scholarship Program](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust - up to \$400 for livestock farmers to attend edu events like conferences
- ☐ [Agroforestry Tree Grant](#) | Contour Lines
- ☐ [Restore Midwest, Rebuild Midwest, & Land Access Grants](#) | Healthy Soils Foundation
- ☒ Mar 3 - [Catalyzing Agroforestry Grant Program](#) | Catalyzing Agroforestry
- ☐ Mar ?? - [Business Builder Subaward Grant](#) | Heartland Regional Food Business Center

□ Learning

- ☑ Mar 1—8am-12pm—[Hammer and Harvest](#): Empowering Women and Non-binary Farmers with Construction Skills | The Land Connection, Urbana, IL, \$30
- ☑ Mar 3-9—[Soil Health Week 2025](#) | Illinois Stewardship Alliance
- ☑ Mar 3-5—[Small Farm Conference](#) | Lincoln University | Jefferson City (for [farmer only registration](#))
- ☑ Mar 4—[Discovering Resilience: A Legal Workshop for Farmers and Ranchers](#) (Spring 2025—5 week course) | Farm Commons
- ☑ March 4—6-8pm—[Cultivating Connections: Strategically Market Your Food and Farm Products](#), Growing Success: Marketing and Business Development for Small Farms | MU Extension
- ☑ *Mar 5—10am-6pm—[2025 Soil Health Advocacy Day](#) at Illinois State Capitol | Illinois Stewardship Alliance
- ☑ Mar 5—12-2pm—[Climate Emotions Cohort for Farmers & Ranchers](#) | American Farmland Trust
- ☑ Mar 6—530-8pm—[3rd Annual Southern Illinois Health Symposium](#) | Glaciers End and Food Works, Marion, IL
- ☑ Mar 7—11am—[Forest Farming Office Hours](#) | Midwest Forest Farming Coalition
- ☑ Mar 7—11am-12pm—[FIND Funding for Soil Health](#) | Illinois Sustainable Ag Partnership (*specifically for IL farmers*)
- ☑ Mar 7—630-730pm—[Hemp, Hemp, Hooray for Soil Health](#) | Illinois Hemp Growers Association
- ☑ Mar 10—12-1pm—[Selling at the Farmers Market 2025](#) | MU Extension
- ☑ Mar 10—7pm-8pm—[Ask an Expert: Solar Panels on Cut Flower Farms](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☑ March 11—6-8pm—[Will it work? Assessing New Farm Products](#), Growing Success: Marketing and Business Development for Small Farms | MU Extension
- ☑ Mar 12—12-2pm—[Climate Emotions Cohort for Farmers & Ranchers](#) | American Farmland Trust
- ☑ Mar 13—2pm—[Soil & Soul Farmer Circle](#): Seeding Intention: Planning for Organic Certification | Organic Farming Association
- ☑ Mar 14—12-1pm—[Selling at the Farmers Market 2025](#) | MU Extension
- ☑ Mar 15 & 29—8am-12pm—[Hammer and Harvest](#): Empowering Women and Non-binary Farmers with Construction Skills | The Land Connection, Urbana, IL, \$65

- ☑ Mar 18—6-8pm—[What does it cost my farm to sell in different markets?](#), Growing Success: Marketing and Business Development for Small Farms | MU Extension
- ☑ Mar 19—12-2pm—[Climate Emotions Cohort for Farmers & Ranchers](#) | American Farmland Trust
- ☑ Mar 19-20—[Midwest Grazing & Soil Health Summit](#) | Sustainable Farming Association, Willmar, MN
- ☑ Mar 21—830am-430pm | [Regenerative Agriculture Direct Marketing Workshop](#) | MU Extension, MU Center for Regenerative Agriculture, and MO Forage and Grasslands Council
- ☑ Mar 22—9-11am—[Illinois Food System Roadmap](#) (virtual) | Experimental Station
- ☑ Mar 22—10am-4pm—[Spring Equinox Herbalism Retreat](#) | Flourish Folk School
- ☑ Mar 24—630-8pm—[Farm Stress Management Cohort: Identifying and De-Mystifying Stress](#) | Midwest Vegetable Growers Network
- ☑ Mar 25—5-7pm—[Roots to Profit: Apple & Pear Tree Grafting and Small Farm Business Essentials](#) | MU Extension | Maryville, MO
- ☑ Mar 25—6-8pm—[Five Key Considerations as You Scale Your Business](#), Growing Success: Marketing and Business Development for Small Farms | MU Extension
- ☑ Mar 26—11am-1230pm—[Supporting you Farm Employees with Physical & Mental Disabilities](#) | Farm Commons
- ☑ Mar 26—12-2pm—[Climate Emotions Cohort for Farmers & Ranchers](#) | American Farmland Trust

☐ Other

- ☑ Mar 8—9-11am—March Sale | Seed St Louis | 3815 Bell Avenue, STL
- ☑ Apr 5-26—Real Burger of Earth Day Promotion | The Good Meat Project, [register to participate by Mar 21](#)

☐ Feb 2025

☐ Funding

- ☑ [FACT Scholarship Program](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust—up to \$400 for livestock farmers to attend edu events like conferences
- ☑ [Agroforestry Tree Grant](#) | Contour Lines
- ☑ Feb 14—[Farmer Veteran Fellowship Fund](#) | Farmer Veteran Coalition

☐ Learning

- ☑ Jan-Feb—[Bridging the Gap](#) | Project ReFED (IL)—in person, multiple dates and locations throughout IL, FREE

- ☑ Feb 4—12-1pm—[Hiring Your First Employee](#) | Heartland Regional Food Business Center
- ☑ Feb 7-8—8am-5pm—[MOA Organic Conference](#) | Missouri Organic Association, Columbia, MO
- ☑ Feb 10—[Farm Pulse Financial Management](#): Farmer Discussion Series on Risk Management | Midwest Vegetable Growers Network
- ☑ Feb 15—930am-345pm—[Community Agriculture Conference](#) | Seed St Louis
- ☑ Feb 16-21—[Virtual Herbalism Conference](#) | Herbal Academy, FREE
- ☑ Feb 17—7pm-8pm—[Ask an Expert: Pressed Flowers for New Products and New Customers](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☑ Feb 20—830am-330pm—[Mental Health First Aid for Adults](#) | MU Extension
- ☑ Feb 20-22—[Marbleseed Organic Farming Conference](#) | La Crosse, WI
- ☑ Feb 26—11am—[Farm Commons Coffee, Community, and Conversation Forum](#) | Federal Funding Freeze | Farm Commons

☐ Jan 2025

☐ *Funding*

- ☑ [FACT Scholarship Program](#) | Food Animal Concerns Trust—up to \$400 for livestock farmers to attend edu events like conferences (currently taking applications for GrassWorks and Marbleseed conferences)
- ☑ [Agroforestry Tree Grant](#) | Contour Lines
- ☑ Jan 9—[Marketing Assistance for Specialty Crops](#) | USDA FSA
- ☑ Jan 20—[Sow Joy Fund](#) | \$25-150K for BIPOC led organization with a commitment to Just Culture and focused on environmental justice
- ☑ Jan 22—3-4pm—[Expanding Agroforestry Project \(EAP\) Town Hall Meeting](#) | The Nature Conservancy
- ☑ Jan 31—Missouri Climate-Resilient Crop and Livestock (CRCL) Project
 - ☑ [Silvopasture](#) | \$250/acre
 - ☑ [Regenerative Grazing](#) | \$50/acre
 - ☑ [Climate Smart Fieldscapes](#) | \$10,000 over 3 years
- ☑ Jan 31—[Fruit Guys Community Fund](#) | \$5,000 for projects that promote sustainable practices and community impact

☐ *Learning*

- ☑ Jan-Feb — [Bridging the Gap](#) | Project ReFED (IL) — in person, multiple dates and locations throughout IL, FREE
- ☑ Jan 9-11 — [Great Plains Growers Conference](#) | St Joseph, MO
- ☑ Jan 13 — 7pm-8pm — [Ask an Expert: Best Practices for Seed Saving](#) | [Assoc of Specialty Cut Flower Growers](#) | Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
- ☑ Jan 14 — 9am-4pm — [Southern Illinois Farming Alliance Conference](#) | Food Works — Marion, IL
- ☑ Jan 14 — 12-1pm — [Crack the Code on Pricing: Maximize Profits in Local Markets](#) | Heartland Regional Food Business Center
- ☑ Jan 14-Feb 25 — 6pm-730pm — [Vegetable Production Webinar Series: Managing Crops to Maximize Yields](#) | 7-part series
- ☑ Jan 15 — 6-7pm — [Neurodiversity in Agriculture: Creating Space for Neurodivergent Farmers to Thrive](#) | Women, Food, and Ag Network
- ☑ Jan 23-25 — [GrassWorks Grazing Conference](#) | GrassWorks Inc — Wisconsin
- ☑ Jan 27 — 11am — [Discovering Resilience: A Legal Workshop for Farmers and Ranchers](#) (Winter 2025 — 5-week course) | Farm Commons
- ☑ Jan 29 — 1pm-5pm — [2025 Working Lands Learning Circle](#) | MU Center for Agroforestry, Columbia, MO
- ☑ Jan 29-30 — [Everything Local Conference](#) | Illinois Specialty Growers Association
- ☑ Jan 30 — 10am-5pm — [16th Annual Agroforestry Symposium](#) | MU Center for Agroforestry, in person or virtual, FREE

☐ Dec 2024

☐ Funding

- ☑ Dec 31 — Community Alliance with Family Farmers [Small Farm Innovation Challenge](#)

2027

2027 Upcoming Events, Funding, and Deadlines

For Small-scale, regenerative, sustainable farmers in the St Louis region:

The following list includes trainings, educational workshops & field days, conferences, and funding and fellowship opportunities.

☐ Dec 2027

☐ Funding

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☐ **Feb 2027**

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☐ Feb 25-27 - Roots to Revenue Annual Conference: The Future of Regenerative Agriculture | Missouri Organic Association - Springfield, MO

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☐ **Jan 2027**

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