





Loans for Land, Farms, and Homes

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Personalized financing through relationship lending

Farm Credit makes the process of securing money to farm, purchase land or buy a home convenient, personalized and straightforward.







Why finance with Farm Credit? WE KNOW AGRICULTURE

- Lending staff specialized in farm and land financing
- Understand the cycles of agriculture
- Loans structured to individual needs
- Flexible repayment terms
- Believe in the importance of farming & agribusiness











Who can borrow?

- 1. Farmers
- 2. ANYONE purchasing land
- 3. ANYONE buying a home













Types of Loans

- Farms and Timber
- Agribusiness
- Land Purchase and Refinance
- Home Purchase and Refinance













Farm Loans

- Farmland
- Operating lines
 - Feed
 - Fertilizer
 - Seed
 - Working Capital
- Equipment
 - New and used
 - Purchase or refinance
- Purchase livestock













Agribusiness Loans

- Hauling services for ag products
- Farm services and supply
- Consulting foresters
- Timber harvesters
- Cotton gin
- Peanut sheller
- Equipment service/repair
- Pellet mills
- Storage/custom services for ag products
- Sawmills
- Meat processing













Leasing Options

Leasing is an alternative method of obtaining needed equipment and infrastructure without buying the asset.

Can lease for:

- Equipment
- Buildings
- Vehicle fleet
- Irrigation

Advantages:

- 100% financing
- No appraisal fees
- Fixed rates
- Lease payments deductible as operating expense
 - Can help lower taxes













Land Loans

Types of Loans:

- Purchase
 - Raw land
 - Recreational property
 - Homes with acreage
 - Lots
 - Farmland and Timberland
- Improvements
 - Barns and buildings
 - Fencing
 - Drainage, irrigation, wells, ponds













Timber Loans

- Timber acquisition
- Reforestation
- TIMO funding
- Maintenance/harvest













AVAILABLE TERMS

- Up to 30 year terms on home loans
- Up to 20 year terms or amortization on timber land/farm land/recreational property
- Up to 15 year terms on residential lots, poultry houses and specialized facilities
- 5 to 7 years on most equipment
- Repayment schedule can be tailored to meet cash flow generated by property / borrower
- Operating loans Revolving / Non Revolving







Benefits of Financing

We've been financing farmers for over a century

- Flexible repayment schedules to meet cash flow
- Long term fixed rates
- Down payment as low as 15%
- Experienced staff
- Knowledge of ag industries
- Leasing alternatives
- Share in our profits
 - Patronage Refund Program













OTHER SERVICES

- Appraisals
- Crop insurance
- Life insurance
- Farm Credit Express
- "Bond for Title" transactions









ITEMS/INFO REQUIRED FOR A LOAN APPLICATION

- Purpose and Plan
- Balance Sheet
- Last 2 years' W2s or, if self-employed, last 2 years' tax returns
- Location / Type of all real estate owned
- Loan information for all Liabilities
- Collateral Description







HOW TO INFLUENCE YOUR LENDER TO MAKE YOUR LOAN?

- Keep good records.
- Reduce the risk to yourself and your lender whenever possible.
- Have a reasonable plan ready for your lender to review.
- Keep your lender informed.
- When you get a loan, use it for the purpose intended.
- Properly structure loan terms.









LOAN QUALIFICATION

WHAT WE LOOK FOR

- Credit Worthiness
 - 5 C's of Credit
 - Character
 - Conditions
 - Capital
 - Collateral
 - Capacity











YOUNG, BEGINNING & SMALL FARMER PROGRAM

<u>Young borrower</u> – A farmer, rancher, or producer or harvester of aquatic products who is *age 35 or younger as of the loan transaction date*.

<u>Beginning borrower</u> – A farmer, rancher, or producer or harvester of aquatic products who has 10 years or less farming or ranching experience as of the loan transaction date.

<u>Small borrower</u> – A farmer, rancher, or producer or harvester of aquatic products who *normally generates less than \$250,000 in annual gross sales of agricultural or aquatic products.*











MICRO LOAN PROGRAM

- Standardized Line of Credit Product for YBSM
- \$100 Origination Fee
- Loan Amounts:
 - 0-3 years (up to \$5000)
 - 3-5 years (up to \$10,000)
 - More than 5 years (up to \$15,000)
- Terms:
 - 3 to 5 years
 - Monthly repayment
 - No annual renewal required
- No FSA Guarantee











Patronage Refund Program

We return an average of 25% of our profit to our borrowers annually

For every **\$1** in interest our borrowers pay on their loan, we give them a



Interest rate by an average of 1 – 1.5%*

Loan Amount	\$400,000
Annual Interest Rate	6.0%
Loan Period in Years	20
Interest earned 1 year	\$24,000
PATRONAGE REFUND (25% of interest paid)	\$6000



^{*} Results based on 10-year average refund totals. Past performance not a guarantee of future payouts. Calculations do not account for time value of money or distinguish between returns made in cash and in allocated surplus. Talk to a loan officer for details.





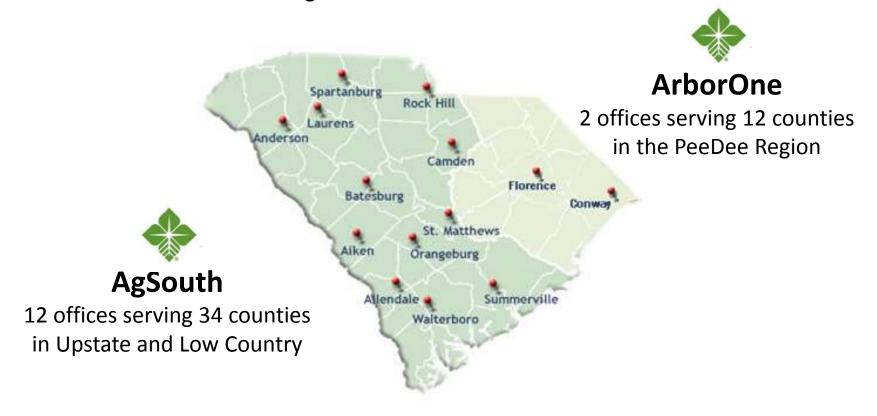






SC BRANCH LOCATIONS

Serving all 46 counties of South Carolina













We Thank You

We appreciate your commitment to your family, your farm, your community, and your industry. It is an honor to help support our industry by providing financing for the hands that feed us.







Thank You

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2019 Farmer Resource Rodeo







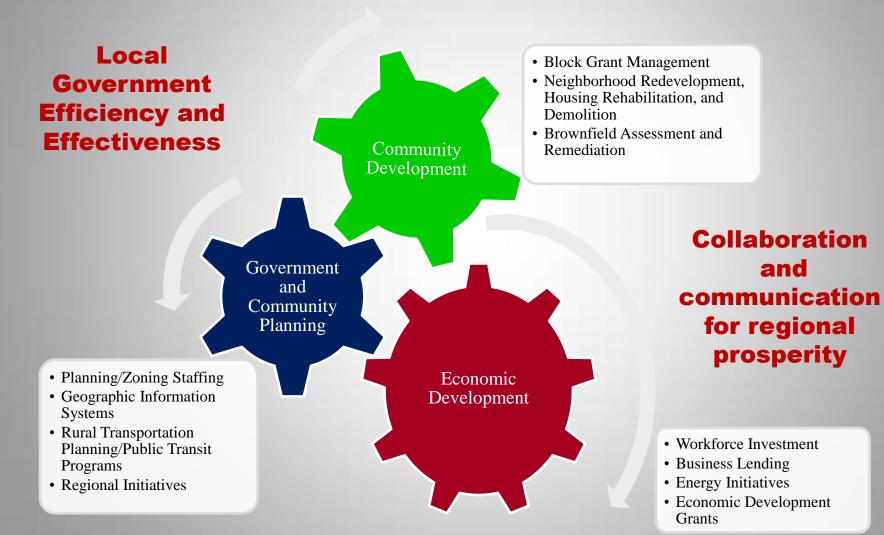




AGENDA

- COG Who we are & what we do?
- EDA's Revolving Loan Fund Program \$\$ for Agribusiness
- 35 Counties across South Carolina
- Program Parameters:
 - **Loans from \$50M-\$300M**
 - Fixed Assets e.g. land, buildings, heavy-equipment
 - Flexible Terms & Conditions

Our Mission and How We Work





SC COG's

South Carolina Councils of Governments

1. Appalachian Council of Governments P. O. Box 6668 Greenville, SC 29606 (864) 242-9733 www.scacog.org (Anderson, Cherokee, Greenville, Oconee Pickens & Spartanburg Counties)

2. Upper Savannah Council of Governments P. O. Box 1366 Greenwood, SC 29648 (864) 941-8051 www.uppersavannah.com (Abbeville, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens,

McCormick & Saluda Counties)

3. Catawba Regional Council of Governments P.O. Box 450 Rock Hill, SC, 29731 (803) 327-9041 www.catawbacog.org (Chester, Lancaster, Union & York Counties)

4. Central Midlands Council of Governments 236 Stoneridge Drive Columbia, SC 29210 (803) 376-5390 www.centralmidlands.org

(Fairfield, Lexington, Newberry & Richland Counties)

5. Lower Savannah Council of Governments. P. O. Box 850 Aiken, SC 29802 (803) 649-7981 www.lscoq.org (Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barrwell, Calhoun & Orangeburg Counties



7. Pee Dee Regional Council of Governments P. O. Box 5719 Florence, SC 29502 (843) 669-3138 www.peedeecog.org (Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Marion & Mariboro Counties)

Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments 10. Lowcountry Council of Governments 1230 Highmarket Street Georgetown, SC 29440 (843) 546-8502 WWW.Wrcog.org (Georgetown, Horry & Williamsburg Counties)

Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments 1362 McMillan Drive, Suite 100 North Charleston, SC 29405 (843) 529-0400 www.bcdcog.com (Berkeley, Charleston & Dorchester Counties)

P. O. Bax 98 Yemassee, SC 29945 (843) 726-5536 www.lowcountrycog.org (Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton & Jasper Counties)

Lower Savannah; Santee-Lynches; Pee Dee; Low Country



• WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

• HOW CAN CATAWBA REGIONAL ASSIST?

EDA - RLF

Revolving Loan Fund

Revolving Loan Fund Program

Catawba Regional

Catawba Regional Development Corporation (CRDC) was formed in 1982 to promote business growth in the region. Three different loan programs are available, including the Revolving Loan Fund Program.

The Revolving Loan Fund Program was started in 1987 with funds from the federal Economic Development Administration and other public sources. These funds have been used by many businesses in the region, creating hundreds of jobs, and leveraging millions of dollars in private investment.

New: Agri-Business Funding

Eligible uses now include agricultural farming related fixed asset purchases & working capital



LOAN PHED

** RLF funds combined with bank financing can be a powerful economic development tool. These funds are available to new and expanding businesses for the purpose of increasing the local tax base and creating jobs.

Creative financing solutions for business & agricultural use in 32 South Carolina counties

RLF funds from \$50,000 - \$300,000 are available to businesses located in the following counties: Alken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Calhoun, Chester, Chester-field, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Fairfield, Florence, Hampton, Jasper, Kershaw, Lancaster, Lee, Marrion, Marlboro, Orangeburg, Richland, Sumter, Union, and York. Agri-Business specific: Anderson, Cherokee, Greenville, Oconoe, Pickens, and Spartanburg. These funds can be used in conjunction with bank financing to fund up to 80% of eligible project costs. A below market interest rate and a negotiable term can significantly lower overall debt service.

Revolving Loan Funds General Guidelines

- Loan amounts from \$50,000 - \$300,000
- · Fixed Interest Rate
- Negotiable Terms
- · 1.5% Origination Fee
- Legal fees vary
- Job Creation The goal is to create one job per \$65,000 of RLF Funds
- Uses for Loan Funds include:

Land
Building Construction
Building Expansion
Machinery
Equipment
Working Capital

Industrial & agricultural, commercial, service, and retail companies are eligible for RLF funds. Job creation is a key component to the program, with a goal to create one permanent job for every \$65,000 of RLF funds loaned.

Application Process

The application process includes submitting:

- Business Plan-for Start Ups
- Projections
- Business Financials/Tax Returns
- Personal Financials/Tax Returns
- . Outline of Project Costs

Cash flow, credit history and collateral will be considered in the loan review process.



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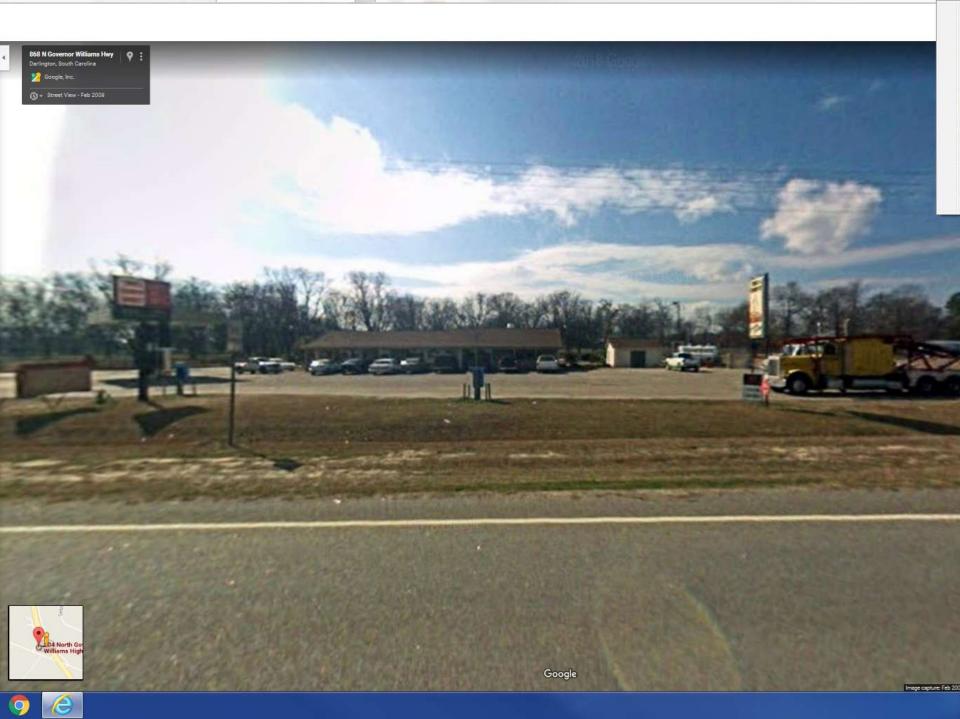
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IS IT TIME TO BUY A BUILDING?









IS IT TIME TO BUY LAND?



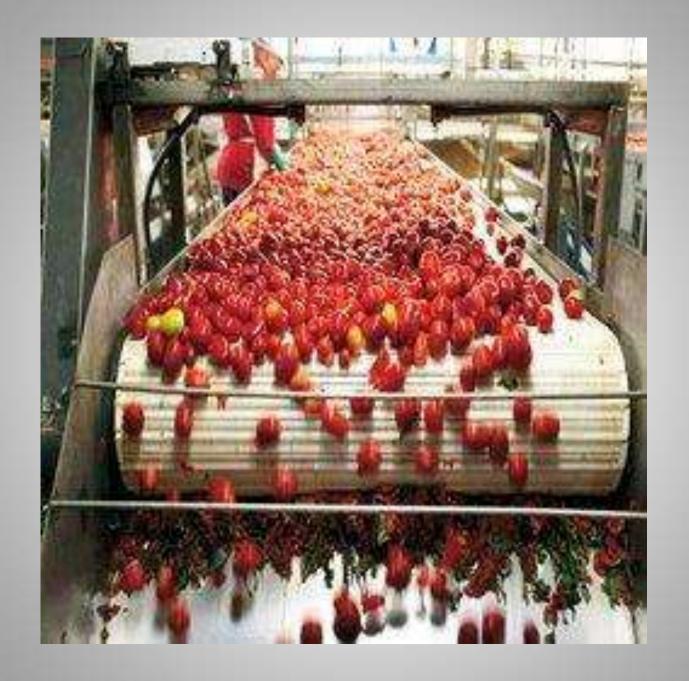


IS IT TIME TO BUY EQUIPMENT?



Assist Lancaster, SC Logging Company with Equipment Purchase.





Sources of Capital

Debt

- Friends and family
- Credit cards
- Personal loans
- Bank financing
- Home equity loans
- SBA loans
- Online marketplace loans

Equity

- Savings, insurance surrender value
- IRA
- Home equity loans
- Friends and family
- Government grants
- Partners
- Angel investors
- Crowdfunding

Kickstarter Kabbage



CORE AG SERVICES



MARKETING



PLANNING



FUNDING & ACCOUNTING



MARKETI NG

MARKET RESEARCH

MARKETING PLANS

DIRECT TO CONSUMER

WHOLESALE STRATEGIES

SOCIAL MEDIA
CONTENT MARKETING &
WEBITES

PHOTOGRAPHY FOR SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM

Package of digital photos include:

Exterior

Interior

Staff in Action

Product Shots

Interview with Owner - Video

Use these photos for social media content, website, brochures, and other platforms.





SWEET POTATO LEGACY

GAP Food Safety Certification
Assistance

GAP Grant

Succession Planning

Marketing



FUNDING & ACCOUNTING

CAPITAL ACCESS PROGRAM







Palmetto Capital Access Program

The Palmetto Capital Access Program (P-CAP) was developed by the SC State Region SBDC to create a systematic approach to helping small businesses access capital. The program takes into account your current funding readiness and explores the financial landscape to match your funding needs., this might include loans, grants, guarantees, crowd funding and more. P-CAP offers a special training program to assist those in need of additional support.





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ACE BASIN GROWERS PROJECT

Connecting Growers with Buyers

Preparing for Wholesale Capacity

Value Added approach to marketing

Grants – GAP Certification & Value Added

Food Share SC - Orangeburg



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Agribusiness Center for Research & Entrepreneurship

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ACRICULTURE









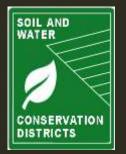






Committed to the future of rural communities.









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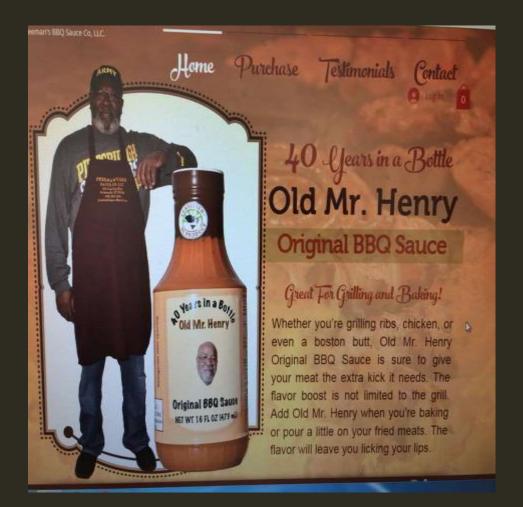
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Center for Heirs' Property Preservation

From Land Divided to Land Sustained





Mission Statement:

Protecting heirs' property and promoting its sustainable use for the increased benefit of low-wealth families through education, legal services and forestry technical assistance.

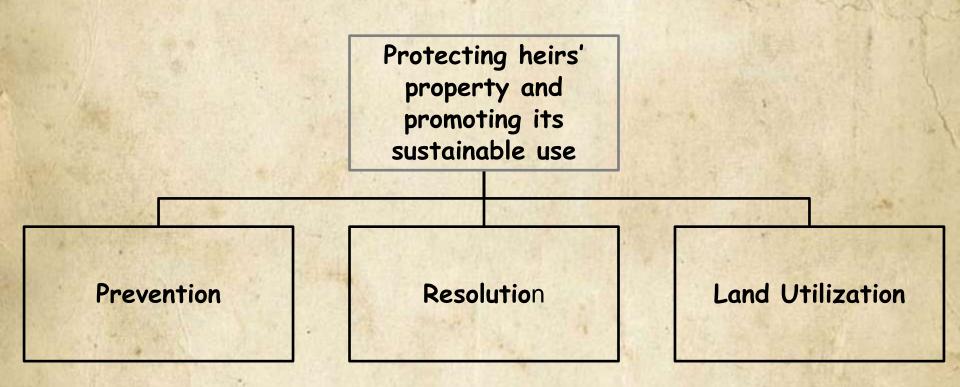




Service Area



Our Service Objectives





Education





Success Measures

Forward Movement for Forest Landowners

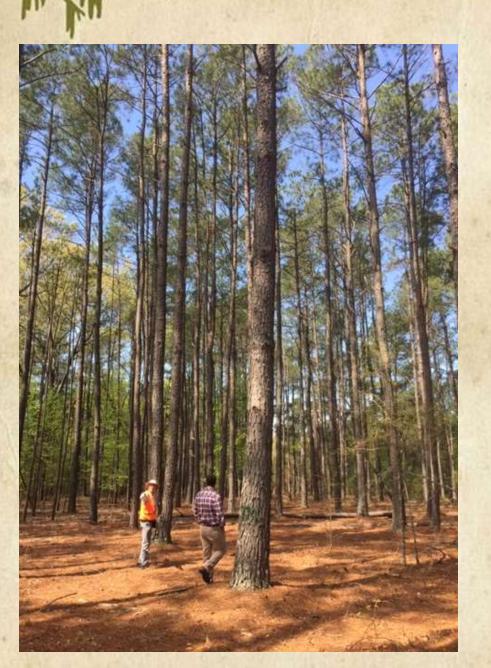




Unlock the potential of your land!







Timber
Production
to Build
Generational
Wealth





Sustainable Forest Management





Site Visits and Technical Assistance



Thank You!

Jasmine Brown
Community Engagement
Manager



Trey Bailey
Forester II





Center for Heirs' Property Preservation

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CFSA's MISSION

We help people in the Carolinas grow and eat local, organic food by advocating for fair farm and food policies, building the systems that organic family farms need to thrive, and educating communities about local, organic farming.











CFSA's VISION

Create a regional food system that is good for consumers, good for farmers and farmworkers, and good for the land.







CFSA PROGRAMS

carm stewardship

FOOD SYSTEMS: Provide business development assistance to farmers and businesses looking to supply the local food system.

EDUCATION: Host SAC, OCLC, and the Piedmont Farm Tour

ADVOCACY: We work to change agriculture laws and regulations to benefit local and organic small and midsized farms.



CFSA PROGRAMS

FARM SERVICES: Technical assistance on organic production/ certification, food safety, seasonal high tunnel production, post-harvest handling, and selling into wholesale markets.

Elma C. Lomax Incubator Farm: Certified organic incubator farm in Concord, NC. That provides beginning farmers with access to land and equipment to start their own farm business. Onsite organic research program.





Consulting Services are FREE!!!

- •\$25 to become a farmer-member
- •\$39/year after year one
- •What does it get you:
 - All of our consulting services for FREE
 - Discounts on all of our workshops and classes
 - Access to all of our newsletters, including the Growers Toolbox









Organic Transition: guidance choosing a certifying agent and record keeping system, Q&A on NOP regulations, and records and application review.

Conservation Activity Planning (CAP-138): a farm resource inventory, identification of resource concerns and options to address them, a soil and water quality impact analysis for each option. End product can be used as your Organic Systems Plan.







High Tunnel Production: Help farmers identify best management practices including planting dates, varieties selection, and irrigation, soil fertility and pest management.





Good Agricultural Practices (GAP):

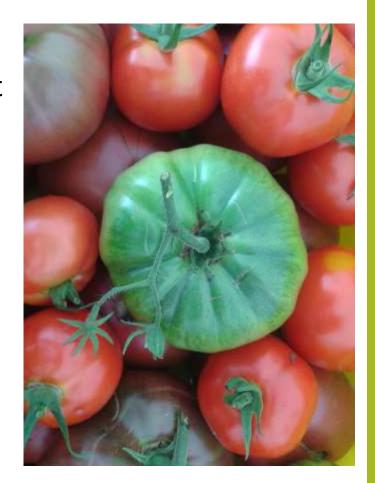
Conduct risk assessments, identify ways to mitigate pathogen risks, review Food Safety Plans, and provide assistance preparing for an audit.

Building Wholesale Capacity

https://www.carolinafarmstewards.org/wholesale-capacity-building-and-post-harvest-handling-consulting/

This consulting program will help you:

- Assess whether or not wholesale is right for you.
- Decide what kind of wholesale is right for you.
- Design postharvest handling strategies to maximize efficiency, food safety, and workflow.
- Understand infrastructure, packaging, labeling, traceability, transporting and basic food safety norms to meet wholesale buyer requirements.



CFSA Resources

- Seasonal High Tunnel Production: Organic Tomato Guide
- High Tunnel Micro-irrigation Guide
- Infrastructure Toolkit
- GAPs Manual and Videos
- Sample CAP Plan
- Organic Transition Handbook for Produce Farmers
- Organic Enterprise Budgets
- Organic Inputs and pest Control Finders
- Downloadable recordkeeping templates



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SCFB Mission Statement



The mission of SCFB is to promote agricultural interests in the state of South Carolina and to optimize the lives of those involved in agriculture in South Carolina, while being respectful to the needs and concerns of all citizens of this state.







Washington, D.C. Trip



High School
Discussion
Meets





Women's Leadership Committee





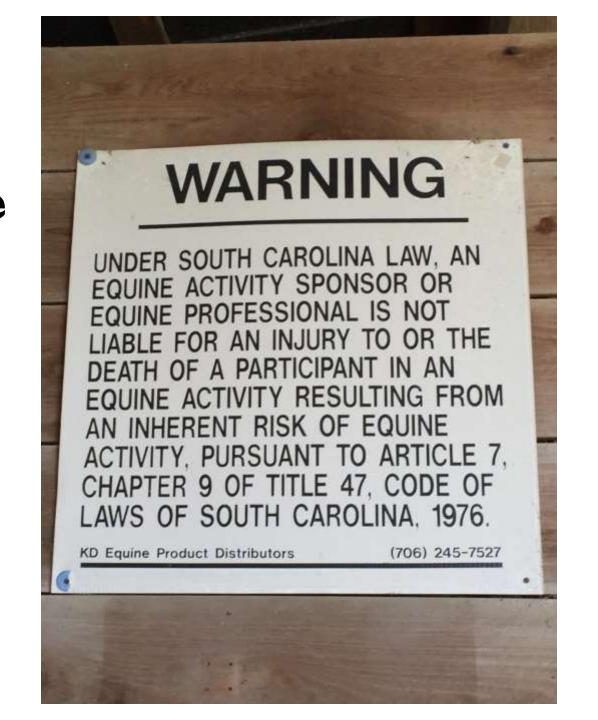


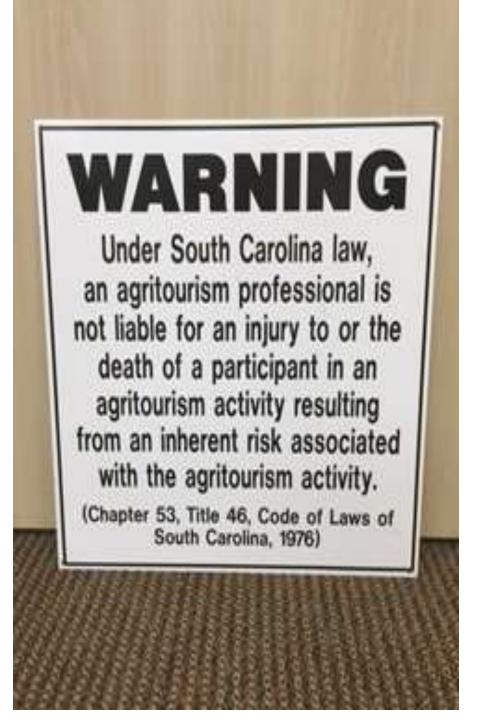
Youth
Leadership
Conference





Equine Committee worked hard to have **Equine** Liability Law enacted





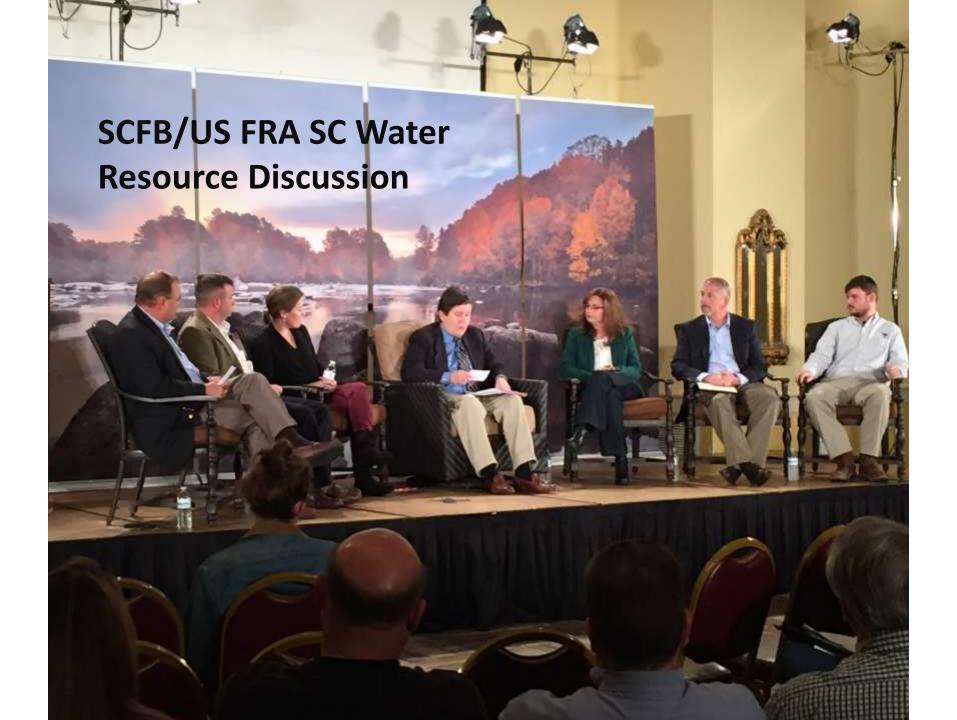
- Agritourism and Specialty Crops
 Members did the same
- Both achieved with great cooperation among allied industry





SCFB Apiary Committee Initial Committee Organizational Meeting







Panel of Legislators during recent SCFB Young Farmer and Rancher Conference

Peterson Brothers spoke and preformed during an SCFB Young Farmers Conference



SCFB Farmer Member testifying before SC House Sub-Committee



Rally @ State House by membership devastated by Disastrous Flood





Flooded peanut field – Outcome = No Harvest





Collards recognized as SC State Vegetable – Mary Grace Rawl & Governor signing the Bill

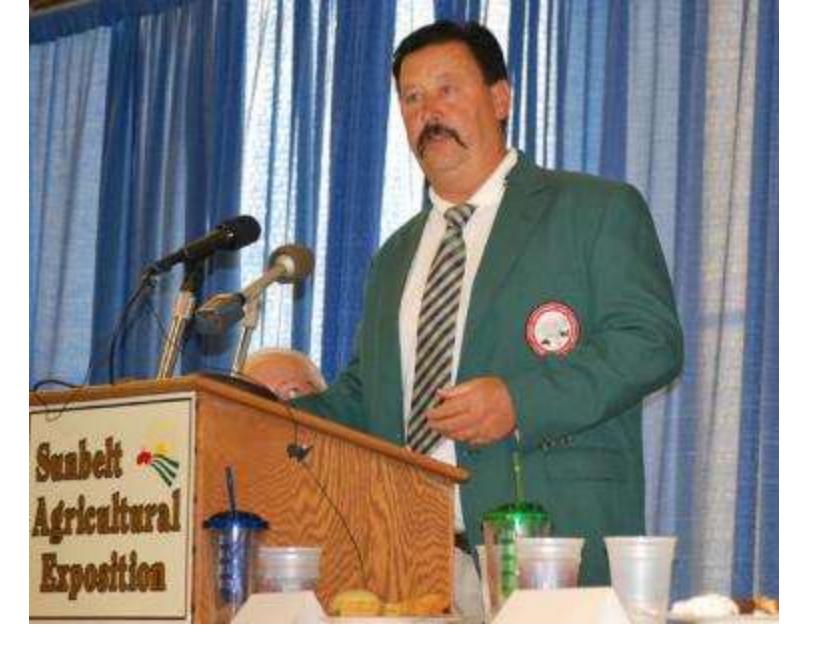


Participating in Taste Of SC Event on State House Grounds



SC Watermelon Queen Participates with tasty watermelon slices





James Cooley Strawberry Hill recognized as 2014 SE Farmer of the Year during Sunbelt Ag Expo – Strawberry Hill USA Chesnee SC

Kevin Yon- Yon Family Farm

Ridge Spring 2018 SE Farmer of The Year











