





Agricultural Re\$ource Fair

2nd Annual

First time coming to central CT!

Saturday, February 10th

(snow date Feb 17th)

A.I. Prince Tech High School

401 Flatbush Ave. Hartford

FREE EVENT 8:30-1:30

TO RSVP, PLEASE SEND NAME AND EMAIL TO: events@ctnofa.org or call the office at 203-308-2584

<u>Environmental Quality</u> Incentives Program

Federal funding to implement conservation practices. Farmer story: Marti Zhigailo of Melrose Place Farm, with Adam Maikshilo (USDA-NRCS).

- Microloans Program Federal credit for purchasing land and operating expenses. Farmer story:
 Jonathan Janeway of Sweet Acre Farm, with Ron Clark (USDA-FSA)
- Farmland Restoration Program
 State funding to restore farmland into working condition. Farmer story: Jennifer Gaskins of Farming 101, with Kip Kolesinskas (for CT Dept. of Agriculture).

• Farm Transition Grants Program

State funding to expand/transition your farm into a new enterprise. Farmer story: **Rachel Berg** of Four Root Farm with **Kip Kolesinskas** (for CT Dept. of Agriculture).

Online fundraising/ crowdsourcing

Fundraising for your farm's growth and capital projects. Farmer story: **Chris Horne** *of Horne Family Farms.*

• <u>Legal Food Hub</u> - free legal services for farmers and food entrepreneurs with Client story:

Joey Listro (New Britain Roots) with Brian Fink (Legal Food Hub).

Event sponsored by the USDA-NIFA Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program Award #2016-70017- 25416







Farmers & Agriculture Service Providers pair up to give the real details on how hard the paperwork actually was, which eligibility requirements were the toughest to meet, what the surprises were along the way, and more!

Schedule:

- Registration and Refreshments 8:30-8:45 (Room: 162A)
- Intro and Overview of All Grants 8:45-9:15 (Room: 162A)

Session 1 9:30-10:15	Farmland Restoration Program Room: A141 Jennifer Gaskins with Kip Kolesinskas	Environmental Quality Incentives Program Room: A151 Marti Zhigailo with Adam Maikshilo	Microloans Program Room: A139 Jonathan Janeway with Ron Clark
Session 2 10:30-11:15	Environmental Quality Incentives Program Room: A151 Marti Zhigailo with Adam Maikshilo	Online fundraising/ crowdsourcing Room: A139 Chris Horne	Farm Transition Grants Program Room: A141 Rachel Berg with Kip Kolesinskas
Session 3 11:30-12:15	Microloans Program Room: A141 Jonathan Janeway with Ron Clark	Farm Transition Grants Program Room: A151 Rachel Berg with Kip Kolesinskas	Legal Food Hub Room: A139 Joey Listro with Brian Fink
Session 4 12:30-1:15	Farmland Restoration Program Room: A151 Jennifer Gaskins with Kip Kolesinskas	Online fundraising/ crowdsourcing Room: A141 Chris Horne	Legal Food Hub Room: A139 Joey Listro with Brian Fink