

**Project Title** 

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# AGRICULTURE PROJECTS FUNDED IN NORTH CAROLINA

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**Project Leaders** 

North Carolina has been awarded \$13,002,329 grants to support 213 projects, including but not limited to, 58 research and/or education projects, 28 professional development projects and 55 producer-led projects. North Carolina has also received additional SARE support through multi-state projects.

#### **RESEARCH AND EDUCATION GRANTS**

**SARE** support

| <u>LS19-311</u> | Application of the Banker Trap Plant (BTraP) Concept of Trap Cropping for the Management of the Harlequin Bug, a Pest of Brassicaeae: A new paradigm in small farm IPM    | \$257,987 | Louis Jackai   |
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| <u>LS19-310</u> | Cool-season Annual Grass, Grass-Forb, and Grass-Legume Forage Systems for Southeastern Beef Cattle Production   | \$270,708 | Deidre Harmon<br>NC State University                                 |
| LS18-303        | CEFS Long-term Systems Research:<br>Providing the Building Blocks for<br>Resilient Food Production Systems<br>Phase III   | \$100,000 | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University         |
| LS18-294        | Promoting Adoption of Cover Crops in Southeastern Farming Systems   | \$48,000  | Michelle Lovejoy<br>NC Foundation for Soil and Water<br>Conservation |
| <u>LS17-284</u> | Biological Control of Two-spotted Spider<br>Mite on Vegetables  | \$200,000 | James Walgenbach<br>NCSU   |
| <u>LS17-285</u> | Growing Local - Phase III   | \$300,000 | Charlie Jackson<br>Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture<br>Project    |
| <u>LS17-279</u> | Enhancing System Sustainability by<br>Mitigating the Impact of Three Major<br>Constraints to Efficient Cowpea<br>Production and Use: Pests, Pollination<br>and Nodulation | \$210,000 | Dr.Beatrice Dingha<br>North Carolina A&T State University            |
| <u>LS17-280</u> | A Supply Chain Approach to Finding<br>Win-win Sustainable Solutions for Edible<br>But Unharvested Produce   | \$219,971 | Rebecca Dunning North Carolina State University Horticulture         |
| <u>LS15-267</u> | CEFS Long-Term Systems Research:<br>Providing the Building Blocks for<br>Resilient Food Production Systems  | \$300,000 | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University         |
| <u>LS14-260</u> | Growing Local – Phase II  | \$299,943 | Charlie Jackson<br>Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture<br>Project    |
| LS12-248        | Quantifying the Multiplier Effect: What   | \$211,000 | Drew Marticorena   |

|                 | Sustainable Local Food Systems can<br>Mean to Local Communities  |           | NCSU  |
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| LS12-247        | CEFS Long-Term Systems Research:<br>Providing the Building Blocks for<br>Resilient Food Production Systems   | \$300,000 | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University                                    |
| <u>LS11-239</u> | Growing Local – Phase I  | \$296,645 | Charlie Jackson<br>Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture<br>Project                               |
| <u>LS11-246</u> | Saving Endangered Hog Breeds   | \$151,215 | Dr.Alison Martin The Livestock Conservancy  |
| <u>LS10-227</u> | Lighting up the black box: Improving legume performance on organic farms by optimizing microbially-mediated plant and soil nitrogen cycling processes.   | \$192,000 | Dr.Julie Grossman<br>University of Minnesota  |
| LS09-224        | Research and educational support for organic dairy farming in the South  | \$250,000 | Dr.Steven Washburn<br>North Carolina State University   |
| LS08-203        | Exploiting the organic peanut market: refining production systems for the Southeast  | \$175,000 | Mark Boudreau<br>Hebert Green Agroecology, Inc.<br>Dr.Mark Boudreau<br>Hebert Green Agroecology |
| LS08-210        | Reduced tillage in organic systems: a soil and water quality imperative  | \$190,000 | Dr.James Mueller<br>North Carolina State University   |
| LS08-211        | A multi-disciplinary approach to improve<br>the environmental performance of niche<br>pork production systems and<br>marketability of Heritage swine breeds  | \$175,000 | Sang Hyon Oh<br>North Carolina A&T State University   |
| LS07-197        | Appalachian grown:Farm to School<br>Project  | \$170,000 | Emily Jackson<br>Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture<br>Project                                 |
| LS07-200        | Selecting cover crops for diverse functions: an integrated soil management approach for organic strawberry production in North Carolina  | \$200,000 | Dr.Michelle Schroeder-Moreno<br>North Carolina State University                                 |
| LS06-193        | Grafting Rootstocks onto Heirloom and<br>Locally Adapted Tomato Selections to<br>Confer Resistance to Root-knot<br>Nematodes and other Soil Borne<br>Diseases and to Increase Nutrient<br>Uptake Efficiency in an Intensive<br>Farming System for Market Gardeners | \$193,000 | Mary Peet<br>North Carolina State University  |
| LS05-169        | Exploiting the Organic Peanut Market:<br>Design of Production Systems for the<br>Southeast   | \$159,000 | Mark Boudreau<br>Hebert Green Agroecology, Inc.   |
| <u>LS05-173</u> | Microarray Analysis and functional assays to assess microbial ecology and disease suppression in soils under organic or sustainable management   | \$250,000 | Dr.Frank Louws<br>North Carolina State University   |
| LS05-178        | Sustainability indicators as management tools to guide farmers, scientists, policy makers and the general public   | \$250,000 | Jon Brandt<br>North Carolina State University   |

| <u>LS04-161</u> | Evaluation of Beneficial Insect Habitat for Organic Farms  | \$72,539  | David Orr<br>North Carolina State University   |
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| LS04-165        | Renewing the Agriculture of the Middle:<br>A Planning grant request to develop a<br>Southern Strategy  | \$15,500  | Edna Rodriguez<br>Rural Advancement Foundation<br>International - USA  |
| <u>LS04-158</u> | N2-fixation and weed competition: breaking the connection between crops and weeds  | \$248,000 | Michael Burton<br>NCSU Crop Science Department   |
| <u>LS03-146</u> | Appalachian Grown: Toward Regional Community-based Food Systems  | \$154,030 | Charlie Jackson<br>Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture<br>Project  |
| <u>LS03-154</u> | Examining pasture-based dairy systems to optimize profitability environmental impact, animal health and milk quality   | \$226,903 | Dr.Steven Washburn<br>North Carolina State University  |
| <u>LS02-132</u> | Cover Cropping and Residue<br>Management for Weed Suppression,<br>Soil Fertility and Organic Crop<br>Production  | \$99,117  | Keith Baldwin<br>NC A&T State University   |
| <u>LS02-134</u> | The Importance of Genetics: Biological fitness and productivity in range-based systems comparing standard turkey varieties and industrial stocks                                       | \$182,386 | Marjorie Bender<br>American Livestock Breeds Conservacy  |
| <u>LS01-122</u> | The Importance of Genetics: Assessing the Imunological Health of Standard Turkey Varieties vs. Industrial Turkey Stocks and Its Implications for Sustainable Turkey Production Systems | \$18,052  | Donald Bixby<br>American Livestock Breeds<br>Conservancy   |
| LS01-126        | Sustaining Ecological and Economic<br>Diversity Among Limited Resource<br>Landholders by Expanding<br>Opportunities for Management of<br>Productive Woodlands                          | \$180,431 | Sarah Warren<br>North Carolina State University  |
| LS01-128        | Influence of microbial species and functional diversity in soils on pathogen dispersal and ecosystem processes in organic and conventional agroecosystems                              | \$167,842 | Jean Ristaino<br>North Carolina State University   |
| LS01-120        | Long-Term, Large-Scale Systems<br>Research Directed Toward Agricultural<br>Sustainability  | \$230,000 | Dr.James Mueller<br>North Carolina State University  |
| <u>LS00-109</u> | Increasing Growers' Quality of life<br>through Direct Marketing: The Role of<br>Farmers' Markets and Consumer<br>Supported Agriculture   | \$45,000  | Susan Andreatta University of North Carolina at Greensboro William Wicklife, II North Carolina State Cooperative Extension |
| <u>LS00-110</u> | The Impact of Agricultural Systems on Soil Quality and Sustainability  | \$191,263 | Mary Barbercheck<br>North Carolina State University  |
| <u>LS99-106</u> | Integrated Crop and Sylvan Systems with Swine: A State and National Initiative   | \$156,262 | Charles Talbott<br>NCA&T University  |
| <u>LS98-091</u> | Development of Decision Support  | \$26,204  | Fredrick Cubbage   |

|                 | Systems for Improvement of Silvicultural<br>Practices on Farm-Based Non-Industrial<br>Private Forests   |           | Forestry Department, North Carolina<br>State University                                |
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| <u>LS98-094</u> | A Model for Long-Term, Large-Scale<br>Systems Research Directed Toward<br>Agricultural Sustainability   | \$256,604 | Dr.James Mueller<br>North Carolina State University                                    |
| <u>LS97-085</u> | Impacts on Agricultural Sustainability from Structural Change in Peanut, Poultry, Swine and Tobacco Production Systems                                      | \$174,858 | Hal Hamilton<br>Center for Sustainable Systems   |
| <u>LS97-086</u> | Equal Access to Agriculture Programs and Opportunities  | \$151,290 | David Harris<br>Land Loss Prevention Project   |
| LS96-077        | Development of Sustainable Cropping<br>Systems for Seedless Watermelon and<br>Fall Lettuce in Rotation with Green<br>Manures                                | \$182,751 | M. R. Reddy<br>NCA & T State University, Natural<br>Resources and Environmental Design |
| LS95-060.1      | Animal Waste, Winter Cover Crops, and<br>Biological Antagonists for Sustained<br>Management of Columbia Lance and<br>Other Associated Nematodes on Cotton   | \$96,691  | Kenneth R. Barker<br>North Carolina State University                                   |
| <u>LS95-065</u> | Wildlife Enhancement and Education as<br>a Catalyst in the Widespread<br>Implementation of Sustainable<br>Agriculture Practices (Also listed as<br>AS95-18) | \$98,205  | Pete Bromley<br>North Carolina State University  |
| <u>LS94-059</u> | Assessing the Impact of Beneficial Insect Populations on Organic Farms (AS94-013)   | \$17,735  | George Kennedy<br>North Carolina State University                                      |
| <u>LS94-060</u> | Animal Waste, Winter Cover Crops, and<br>Biological Antagonists for Sustained<br>Management of Nematodes on Cotton  | \$46,721  | Kenneth R. Barker<br>North Carolina State University                                   |
| <u>LS94-063</u> | Regional Center for Sustainable Dairy Farming   | \$180,497 | Dr.Steven Washburn<br>North Carolina State University                                  |
| LS92-045        | Organic Nitrogen Sources for<br>Sweetpotatoes: Production Potential<br>and Economic Feasibility   | \$105,000 | Wanda W. Collins<br>North Carolina State University,<br>Horticultural Science          |
| <u>LS91-032</u> | Economically Viable Production of Vegetables in The Southern Region Using Low-input and Sustainable Techniques: A Data Base                                 | \$37,000  | Mary Peet<br>North Carolina State University   |
| <u>LS91-035</u> | Improved Nitrogen Use-Efficiency in Cover Crop Based Production Systems   | \$179,992 | Michael G. Wagger<br>North Carolina State University                                   |
| LS90-026        | Swine Waste — Low-cost Alternative to Commercial Fertilizer for Production of Forage for Grazing Cattle   | \$50,000  | Dr.James Mueller<br>North Carolina State University                                    |
| <u>LS89-018</u> | Composting Poultry Litter — Economics and Market Potential of a Renewable Resource  | \$15,000  | L. M. Safley<br>North Carolina State University  |
| LS89-014        | On-Farm Demonstrations and Research of Low-input Sustainable Farming  | \$100,000 | William W. Dow<br>Carolina Farm Stewardship Association                                |

| LS88-005        | Planning Funds for a Proposal on<br>Extending the Issue of Sustainable<br>Agriculture to Small Farms in North<br>Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia | \$15,000  | M. Ray McKinnie<br>North Carolina A & T State University |
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| <u>LS88-006</u> | Planning Grant: On-farm Demonstration of Low-input Farming  | \$15,000  | William W. Dow<br>Carolina Farm Stewardship Association  |
| <u>LS88-009</u> | A Comparison of Cropping Systems<br>Managed Conventionally or with<br>Reduced Chemical Input  | \$255,000 | Larry King<br>North Carolina State University            |

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM GRANTS

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| Project #       | Project Title   | SARE support | Project Leaders   |  |  |
| ES19-146        | Effectively Using Permanent and<br>Temporary Electric Fence Technology:<br>Adviser training to support producers<br>implementing adaptive grazing<br>management   | \$79,954     | Dr.Matt Poore<br>North Carolina State University                |  |  |
| ES18-140        | Training Innovative and Impactful Trainers to Provide Beginning Farmer Support in the Southern Appalachians   | \$43,450     | Cameron Farlow<br>Organic Growers School                        |  |  |
| ES17-134        | Moving Regional Food Systems Toward<br>Sustainability: An adaptive and<br>interactive online course in local food<br>system development for NC, SC, and<br>VA Extension agents and other service<br>providers | \$79,985     | J. Dara Bloom<br>NC State University                            |  |  |
| <u>SC14-001</u> | Institutionalizing Cover Crop Research and Education in the Southeast   | \$129,712    | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University    |  |  |
| ES14-124        | Strengthening University Local Food<br>Systems: Train the Trainer Approach<br>through Extension, Student, and Food<br>Service Collaboration   | \$78,547     | Kathleen Liang<br>North Carolina A&T State University           |  |  |
| ES13-115        | Building Local Food Systems: Training<br>the Trainers, Peer Collaboration, and<br>Materials Development   | \$64,113     | S. Gary Bullen<br>N.C. State University                         |  |  |
| ES13-119        | Moving the NC Local Food System<br>Toward Sustainablility: A<br>Comprehensive Graduate course in<br>Local Food Systems for Cooperative<br>Extension Agents, Specialists, and other<br>Educators               | \$79,063     | Joanna Massey Lelekacs<br>NC State Extension / CEFS             |  |  |
| ES10-104        | Back to Basics: Training the Trainers at<br>the Eastern Apicultural Society<br>Conference   | \$22,313     | Dr.David Tarpy<br>North Carolina State University               |  |  |
| ES10-105        | Multiple Livestock Species Integrated<br>Parasite Management Train-the-Trainer<br>Programs with On-Farm, Computer-<br>based and Traditional Training Sessions   | \$86,105     | Dr.Niki Whitley<br>NC A&T SU Cooperative Extension<br>Program   |  |  |
| ES10-103        | Building Capacity: Farm to School   | \$78,303     | Emily Jackson<br>Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture<br>Project |  |  |

| ES09-095 | Training the Trainers in Community-<br>based Food Systems: a project-oriented<br>case study team approach    | \$99,266  | Dr.Nancy Creamer<br>North Carolina State University   |
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| ES08-090 | An agent Training Program in Safe Food<br>Handling & Legal Liability   | \$77,344  | Diane Ducharme<br>NCSU  |
| ES08-092 | Energy Training for Agricultural<br>Professionals in the Southern SARE<br>Region                             | \$97,684  | Mike Morris National Center for Appropriate Technology Steve Moore Center for Environmental Farming Systems |
| ES08-093 | Agritourism Training for Agriculture Professionals   | \$82,986  | Kent Wolfe<br>CAED  |
| ES06-083 | Pasture Pork 101: Comprehensive<br>Agent Training in Pasture-based Hog<br>production                         | \$62,500  | Todd See<br>North Carolina State University   |
| ES05-078 | Sustainable Production Systems for<br>Range-Reared Standard Turkeys  | \$109,444 | Marjorie Bender<br>American Livestock Breeds Conservacy   |
| ES05-079 | Direct Market Training for Agricultural Professionals  | \$96,757  | S. Gary Bullen<br>N.C. State University   |
| ES03-065 | Building Sustainable Soil Systems  | \$119,848 | Wilfred Cromartie<br>SARE   |
| ES03-066 | Producer Managed Efforts in Marketing of Livestock & Livestock Products                                      | \$89,400  | John O'Sullivan<br>Cooperative Extension Program  |
| ES01-058 | Sustaining Agriculture through Community Partnerships  | \$49,884  | Robin Kohanowich<br>Central Carolina Community College  |
| ES00-047 | Training in Alternative Research<br>Strategies for Sustainable Farming<br>Systems                            | \$101,800 | Noah Ranells NCSU (former staff) Phil Rzewnicki NCSU Keith Baldwin NC A&T State University                  |
| ES99-043 | Multimedia Training Resources on<br>Sustainable Greenhouse Vegetable<br>Production                           | \$39,887  | Mary Peet<br>North Carolina State University  |
| ES98-040 | Grazing Management Training to<br>Enhance the Sustainability of Pasture-<br>Based Beef Production Systems    | \$31,745  | Jim Green<br>North Carolina State University, Crop<br>Science Dept.   |
| ES98-042 | Training in Agriculture Program (TAP)  | \$17,890  | Dorothy Barker<br>Operation Spring Plant, Inc.  |
| ES98-039 | Multi Disciplinary Training on Pasture-<br>Based Dairy Systems – A Sustainable<br>Alternative for the Region | \$53,429  | Dr.Steven Washburn<br>North Carolina State University   |

| ES97-014        | Southern Region Sustainable Ag<br>Training Consortium   | \$116,723 | Roger G. Crickenberger<br>North Carolina State University |
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| <u>ES97-025</u> | Building Capacity in Sustainable<br>Agriculture: A Comprehensive Training<br>Program in Organic Farming Systems | \$97,500  | Dr.Nancy Creamer<br>North Carolina State University       |
| LST94-001       | Southern Region Sustainable<br>Agriculture Training Consortium (LST96-<br>8)                                    | \$199,620 | Roger G. Crickenberger<br>North Carolina State University |

#### **FARMER/RANCHER GRANTS**

|           | FARMER/RANCHER GRANTS   |              |  |  |  |
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| Project # | Project Title   | SARE support | Project Leaders  |  |  |
| FS19-313  | Bee Pollen Identification for Increased Sustainability  | \$9,938      | Ryan Higgs<br>Blue Ridge Apiaries                      |  |  |
| FS18-307  | Weed Control Among Brambles:<br>Biodegradable paper barrier or plastic<br>barrier?                              | \$3,050      | Danielle Crocker                                       |  |  |
| FS18-305  | Growing Upland Rice for the Local Food Market   | \$9,773      | Gregory Chatham  |  |  |
| FS13-274  | Comparing Season Extension<br>Mechanisms on Winter Green<br>Production in the Southern Appalachian<br>Mountains | \$3,737      | Paul Littman<br>Ivy Creek Family Farm                  |  |  |
| FS13-264  | Pastured Rabbit Integrated Farming<br>Project   | \$2,000      | Michelle Bernard<br>Spellcast Farm                     |  |  |
| FS13-265  | Sustainable Forages as an Alternative to Supplemental Feeding   | \$9,798      | Ryan Higgs<br>Blue Ridge Apiaries                      |  |  |
| FS13-268  | Closed Loop Mushroom Production on 100% Waste Substrate   | \$7,623      | joseph allawos<br>Asheville Fungi                      |  |  |
| FS12-260  | Encouraging Expanded Organic Sweet<br>Potato Production in North Carolina                                       | \$15,000     | John Kimber<br>NC SweetPotato Commission<br>Foundation |  |  |
| FS11-252  | Impact of Supplemental Feed Type on<br>Winter Survival of Honey Bee Colonies                                    | \$9,957      | Barry Harris, Jr.<br>Silver Spoon Apiaries, Inc        |  |  |
| FS10-244  | Sustainable Honeybee Strains for Western North Carolina   | \$9,959      | Ryan Higgs<br>Blue Ridge Apiaries                      |  |  |
| FS09-239  | Wasabi Production   | \$8,649      | Deidra Smith<br>Amy Sue Blum<br>SARE Southern Region   |  |  |
| FS09-240  | Early growing season strategy   | \$3,482      | Hollis Wild<br>Appalachian Trees                       |  |  |
| FS09-232  | Natural Controls for Honey Bee Pests  | \$10,000     | Scott Barlow   |  |  |

| FS09-237 | Growing Organic Hops for the Local<br>Market  | \$8,268  | Rita Pelczar<br>Blue Ridge Hops                              |
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| FS08-230 | Building Capacity for Pastured Poultry<br>Production in Western North Carolina                      | \$7,755  | Casey McKissick  |
| FS07-216 | Season Extension for Winter CSA and Restaurant Sales  | \$5,829  | Annie Louise Perkinson                                       |
| FS07-220 | Meeting the Needs of Microbreweries with Fresh Hops Production                                      | \$9,762  | Linda Sakiewicz  |
| FS06-199 | Capillary Irrigation for Container<br>Nurseries: a practical alternative to<br>overhead irrigation? | \$9,867  | Ellen J. Colodney<br>Coastal Plain Conservation Nursery, Inc |
| FS06-206 | A Diversifying and Marketing Strategy for Sustaining Small Farm Agriculture                         | \$9,976  | Nancy C. Moretz  |
| FS06-211 | Value from byproducts of the Southern<br>Wine Grape Industry  | \$9,925  | Ben Webb<br>Sandy Cross Vineyard                             |
| FS06-197 | Increasing Economic Viability and Promoting Sustainable Agriculture through Agritourism             | \$7,485  | Amy Ager<br>Hickory Nut Gap Farm – Spring House<br>Meats     |
| FS04-185 | Farmstead Cheese (Queso Blanco) for the Latino Food Market  | \$4,361  | Tom Shore  |
| FS03-163 | Managing Beneficial Insects and Using<br>Pest Trap Crops in Organic Broccoli                        | \$9,950  | Charles A. Church<br>Watauga River Farms                     |
| FS03-164 | Test Growing & Marketing Specialty Woody Cutflowers   | \$8,555  | Susan Wright Cochran<br>Shady Grove Gardens & Nursery        |
| FS03-167 | Mountain Tailgate Market Association<br>Marketing Initiative  | \$14,280 | Charlie Jackson<br>Mountain Tailgate Market Association      |
| FS03-170 | Short- and Long-term Crop<br>Replacement Project  | \$9,787  | Phillis Kenlaw<br>104 Best Drive                             |
| FS03-171 | Dairy Goat Woodland Grazing Project   | \$9,900  | Brit Pfann<br>144 Celebrity Dairy Way                        |
| FS03-175 | Greenhouse Grown Fraser Fir Tree<br>Seedlings   | \$7,401  | Justin Wells<br>Sugar Grove Botanical Farm,Inc.              |
| FS02-146 | Farmscaping Organic Broccoli to<br>Increase Beneficial Insect Numbers                               | \$9,855  | Charles A. Church<br>Watauga River Farms                     |

| FS02-152 | Biodiverse-Organic Christmas Tree<br>Production  | \$9,333 | Mark Lackey                        |
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| FS01-132 | Ginsing Production Utilizing Natural Fungicides  | \$9,986 | Robert Eidus<br>Eagle Feather Farm |
| FS00-114 | Creating a Tailgate Farmers Market   | \$4,380 | Annie Louise Perkinson             |
| FS00-128 | Direct Marketing Opportunities to<br>Improve Economic Outlook                                      | \$9,050 | Andy Youngblood                    |
| FS99-091 | Ratite Marketing Education Program   | \$7,250 | Tina Hurdt                         |
| FS99-096 | Use of Low Value Hardwoods for<br>Shiitake Mushroom Production                                     | \$1,929 | Walker H. Rayburn, Jr.             |
| FS99-097 | Oriental Persimmons and Pawpaws:<br>Two Sustainable Crops for the South                            | \$6,534 | Lesley Sanderson                   |
| FS99-105 | Low Cost Compost Screening   | \$2,975 | Carl Weston                        |
| FS99-085 | Effects of Cover Crops on Weed and<br>Insect Management in Blackberries                            | \$9,935 | Sam Bellamy<br>Indigo Farm         |
| FS98-068 | Late Blight Suppression in Tomatoes<br>Using Competing Fungi on Leaf<br>Surfaces                   | \$5,800 | Tom Elmore<br>Thatchmore Farm      |
| FS98-071 | Workshop on Parasite Control Through<br>On-Farm Fecal Studies                                      | \$6,545 | Susan Gladin                       |
| FS98-076 | Development of Low Input Sustainable<br>Practices for Rose Production                              | \$2,690 | Jacqueline Jones                   |
| FS98-078 | High-Fructose Corn Syrup as a<br>Replacement for Mepiquat to Reduce<br>Vegetative Growth in Cotton | \$2,224 | Hubert Morris                      |
| FS98-083 | Organic Specialty Lettuce Production in Tobacco Greenhouses  | \$7,455 | John Vollmer                       |
| FS97-051 | Effect of Different Application Rates of<br>Swine Lagoon Effluent on Corn and<br>Wheat             | \$2,317 | John Hart                          |
| FS97-054 | Forest Site Preparation with Swine   | \$5,088 | Thomas Livingston                  |

| FS97-048 | Evaluation of Mycorrhizal Inoculation on<br>Growth and Quality of Three Eastern<br>North Carolina Christmas Tree Species    | \$650   | Daniel Dorsey                               |
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| FS96-037 | Identification of Cover Crops to Enhance<br>the Habitat of Specific Beneficial Insects<br>in Sustainable Production Systems | \$8,452 | Kenny Haines<br>Misty Morning Farm          |
| FS96-038 | Multiple On-Farm Use of Aquatic Plants and Animals  | \$9,575 | Harvey Harman<br>Sustenance Farm            |
| FS96-035 | Aquaculture Conversion Model<br>Emphasizing Poultry and Hog Facilities<br>Re-Use and Recycled On-Farm<br>Resources          | \$6,000 | Benny Bunting                               |
| FS96-044 | Alternatives to Chemicals in the Peanut<br>Cotton Rotation  | \$9,366 | Hubert Morris                               |
| FS95-027 | Demonstration of High Value, Small<br>Scale Sustainable Vegetable and Fruit<br>Production Methods                           | \$9,612 | Larry and Judy McPherson                    |
| FS95-034 | Hydroponic Vegetable Production in Conjunction with a Trout Farming Operation   | \$9,975 | Carl Zietlow<br>Best Trout and Organic Farm |
| FS94-007 | Perennial Warm Season Grasses as<br>Summer Pasture  | \$733   | Norman and Karen Jordan                     |
| FS94-008 | Meat Goats for Weed Control and<br>Alternative Income on Cattle Operations  | \$2,020 | Tony Kern<br>KC Ranch                       |
| FS94-013 | Plant Shelters to Extend the Growing Season for Herbs   | \$3,550 | Richard Morgan<br>Harmony Herb Farm         |

#### **GRADUATE STUDENT GRANTS**

| Project #       | Project Title   | SARE support | Project Leaders  |
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| <u>GS19-205</u> | Optimizing Electrical and Mechanical<br>Palmer Amaranth Control and Reducing<br>Seed Production and Viability   | \$16,498     | Katherine Jennings<br>NCSU<br>Levi Moore<br>North Carolina State University                    |
| GS19-215        | Quantifying the Disease Ecology and<br>Network Connectedness Across<br>Pollinator Communities as a Result of<br>Planted Pollinator Plots  | \$16,500     | Dr.David Tarpy North Carolina State University Hannah Levenson North Carolina State University |
| GS19-212        | Rye With or Without Purple Top Turnips<br>for Stocker Calf Grazing Over the Winter<br>Following Corn Harvest as Part of a<br>Southeastern U.S. Integrated Crop-<br>Livestock System | \$11,757     | Carrie Pickworth<br>Jordan Cox-O'Neill   |
| <u>GS18-185</u> | Evaluation of Reduced and Strip-tillage<br>Cover Crop Sweet Potato Production<br>Systems on Soil Health, Sweet Potato<br>Growth, and Weed Management<br>Programs                    | \$16,499     | Katherine Jennings<br>NCSU<br>Stephen Smith<br>NCSU  |
| <u>GS16-156</u> | Integrating Pest & Pollinator   | \$10,921     | Dr.Hannah Burrack  |

|                 | Management in Southern Berry<br>Production   |          | North Carolina State University Jeremy Slone  |
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| <u>GS15-140</u> | Farm-to-Childcare in North Carolina; A<br>Holistic Case Study  | \$10,636 | J. Dara Bloom<br>NC State University<br>Jacob Rutz  |
| <u>GS15-142</u> | Food Waste: Quantifying on-farm vegetable losses   | \$10,206 | Dr.Nancy Creamer<br>North Carolina State University<br>Lisa Johnson<br>North Carolina State University  |
| <u>GS14-132</u> | Production of a conditional sterile-male strain for the control of spotted-wing drosophila   | \$10,890 | Fu-Chyun Chu<br>North Carolina state university   |
| <u>GS14-135</u> | Identifying regionally adapted winter pea<br>and faba bean genotypes that maximize<br>grain and cover cropping potential   | \$10,957 | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University<br>Rachel Atwell<br>North Carolina State University                                  |
| GS13-121        | Identifying barriers to sustainable food production by low resource producers and purchase by low income consumers in Washington and Beaufort Counties, North Carolina | \$7,614  | Dr.Chantal Reid Duke University, Dept of Biology Kimberly Hill Duke University  |
| <u>GS12-112</u> | Contributions of legume cover crop root systems to soil carbon pools in organic systems using different termination strategies   | \$10,997 | Julie Grossman<br>NCSU<br>Arun Jani<br>North Carolina State University  |
| <u>GS12-115</u> | Breeding Wheat for Increased Weed-<br>Suppressive Ability against Italian<br>Ryegrass  | \$10,952 | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University<br>Margaret Worthington<br>NCSU  |
| <u>GS11-099</u> | Plant mediated effects on parasitoid efficacy in a banker plant system   | \$9,930  | Dr.Steven Frank<br>North Carolina State University<br>Travis McClure<br>Sara Prado  |
| <u>GS11-102</u> | Verticillium Wilt Management:<br>Elucidating Mechanisms of Resistance<br>and Integration of Sustainable<br>Alternatives in Tomato Production<br>Systems                | \$9,970  | Dr.Frank Louws North Carolina State University Meagan lott North Carolina State University  |
| <u>GS11-104</u> | Potential for Conservation Biological<br>Control of Stink bugs in North Carolina   | \$9,735  | David Orr<br>North Carolina State University<br>Dr.Sriyanka Lahiri<br>University of Florida   |
| <u>GS10-089</u> | The Black Pearl Pepper Banker Plant<br>for Biological Control of Thrips in<br>Commercial Greenhouses   | \$9,959  | Dr.Steven Frank North Carolina State University Sarah Wong North Carolina State University  |
| <u>GS10-091</u> | Managing field borders for weed seed predators   | \$9,856  | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University<br>Aaron Fox<br>North Carolina State University                                      |
| <u>GS10-094</u> | Evaluation of Herbal Remedies as<br>Alternatives to Antibiotic Therapy in<br>Dairy Cattle  | \$9,990  | Dr.Steven Washburn North Carolina State University Dr.Kevin Anderson North Carolina State University Keena Mullen North Carolina State University |

| <u>GS10-088</u> | Predictors of short-term nitrogen availability in organic farming systems that utilize warm season cover crops             | \$10,000 | Dr.Nancy Creamer North Carolina State University Suzanne O'Connell North Carolina State University   |
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| <u>GS09-078</u> | Evaluating vermicompost mediated host plant resistance as a sustainable alternative to manage agricultural insect pests    | \$9,810  | Yasmin Cardoza<br>North Carolina State University<br>Amos Little<br>North Carolina State University  |
| <u>GS08-067</u> | Southeastern North Carolina Food<br>Systems Project  | \$10,000 | Leslie Hossfeld<br>University of North Carolina Wilmington<br>Raven Bruno<br>UNCW  |
| <u>GS08-068</u> | Elucidating the role of cellulases involved in biological control of Phytophthora root rot                                 | \$9,931  | George Place North Carolina State University Kelly Ivors North Carolina State University Brantlee Spakes Richter North Carolina State University   |
| <u>GS08-073</u> | Traits of Interest for Improving Weed<br>Suppressive Ability in Soybeen During<br>the Critical Period for Weed Competition | \$9,972  | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton North Carolina State University Kelly Ivors North Carolina State University George Place North Carolina State University |
| <u>GS08-076</u> | Chemistry and Biodegradability of<br>Dissolved Soil Organic Matter in Diverse<br>Farming Systems                           | \$9,850  | Dr.Wei Shi<br>North Carolina State University<br>Lei Tian  |
| <u>GS07-060</u> | Potential of grafting to improve nutrient management of heirloom tomatoes on organic farms                                 | \$10,000 | Mary Peet North Carolina State University Dr.Frank Louws North Carolina State University Suzanne O'Connell North Carolina State University         |
| <u>GS07-062</u> | Omega-3 Purlsane Eggs  | \$10,000 | Thomas Rufty NCSU Crop Science Department Laura Vance NCSU Crop Science Department   |
| <u>GS07-058</u> | Cover crop mulches for no-till organic onion production  | \$10,000 | Dr.Nancy Creamer North Carolina State University Emily Vollmer North Carolina State University Dept. Hort. Sci.                                    |
| GS06-051        | Effects of management practices and plant growth regulators on the allelopathic potential of rye (Secale cereale)          | \$9,780  | James Burton North Carolina State University David Danehower North Carolina State University Christine Sickler North Carolina State University     |
| <u>GS06-052</u> | Testing Technologies for Affordable<br>Bioshelters   | \$9,914  | Mary Hoepfl<br>Appalachian State University<br>Yonatan Strauch<br>Appalachian State University   |
| <u>GS06-055</u> | Why do farmers adopt conservation practices? Do green payments help? A case study of the Lower Roanoke, North Carolina     | \$9,999  | Lynn Maguire Duke University Nicholas School of the Environment Lucy Henry Duke University Nicholas School of the Environment                      |

| <u>GS05-046</u>                     | Inducing Disease Resistance and Increased Production in Organic Heirloom Tomato Production Through Grafting  | \$10,000                                     | Dr.Frank Louws North Carolina State University Cary Rivard North Carolina State University   |
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| GS04-032                            | Optimizing substrates, composts, and fertilizer additions for organic transplant production  | \$10,000                                     | Mary Peet<br>North Carolina State University<br>Elizabeth Larrea<br>North Carolina State University  |
| GS04-035                            | Effects of Tillage, Rotation, and Organic Inputs on Soil Ecological Properties in Vegetable Crop Production Systems  | \$9,998                                      | Greg Hoyt Dept. of Soil Science, NCSU Laura Overstreet   |
| <u>GS03-028</u>                     | Evaluation of Beneficial Insect Habitat for Organic Farms  | \$10,000                                     | David Orr<br>North Carolina State University<br>Lisa Forehand<br>North Carolina State University   |
| GS03-027                            | Natural Vegetation and its Influence on Weed Populations in Neighboring Fields   | \$9,932                                      | Dr.James Mueller<br>North Carolina State University<br>Susan T. Jelinek<br>North Carolina State University   |
| GS01-008                            | Breeding a better cover crop: a screen of rye germplasm for weed suppression   | \$9,986                                      | Dr.Nancy Creamer North Carolina State University Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton North Carolina State University   |
| <u>GS00-004</u>                     | Interactions between predators and insect-parasitic nematodes in soil  | \$10,000                                     | Mary Barbercheck North Carolina State University C. Marie Greenwood North Carolina State University  |
| GS00-006                            | Evaluation of Cover Crops and  | \$9,927                                      | Dr.Nancy Creamer North Carolina State University   |
|                                     | Conservation Tillage for Conventional and Organic Sweetpotato (Ipomoea batatas) Production in North Carolina   |  | Danielle Treadwell  North Carolina State University  |
|                                     | and Organic Sweetpotato (Ipomoea batatas) Production in North Carolina  ON FARM RESEARC  | CH/PARTNERSHIP                               | Danielle Treadwell  North Carolina State University  |
| Project #                           | and Organic Sweetpotato (Ipomoea batatas) Production in North Carolina  ON FARM RESEARC  | CH/PARTNERSHIP<br>SARE support               | Danielle Treadwell  North Carolina State University  |
| Project #<br><u>OS19-129</u>        | and Organic Sweetpotato (Ipomoea batatas) Production in North Carolina  ON FARM RESEARC  |  | Danielle Treadwell North Carolina State University  P GRANTS   |
|                                     | and Organic Sweetpotato (Ipomoea batatas) Production in North Carolina  ON FARM RESEARC  Project Title  Evaluating Scale-appropriate Technology for Organic No-till Vegetable  | SARE support                                 | Danielle Treadwell North Carolina State University  P GRANTS  Project Leaders  Karen McSwain   |
| OS19-129                            | and Organic Sweetpotato (Ipomoea batatas) Production in North Carolina  ON FARM RESEARC  Project Title  Evaluating Scale-appropriate Technology for Organic No-till Vegetable Production  Regenerative Grazing to Mitigate   | SARE support<br>\$14,904                     | Danielle Treadwell North Carolina State University  GRANTS  Project Leaders  Karen McSwain Carolina Farm Stewardship Association  Saskia Cornes  |
| OS19-129<br>OS19-125                | and Organic Sweetpotato (Ipomoea batatas) Production in North Carolina  ON FARM RESEARC  Project Title  Evaluating Scale-appropriate Technology for Organic No-till Vegetable Production  Regenerative Grazing to Mitigate Climate Change  Demonstration of Root Zone Heating Supported by the Developed Biomass   | \$14,904<br>\$14,787                         | Danielle Treadwell North Carolina State University  PGRANTS  Project Leaders  Karen McSwain Carolina Farm Stewardship Association  Saskia Cornes Duke University  Dr.Ok-Youn Yu  |
| OS19-125 OS18-123                   | and Organic Sweetpotato (Ipomoea batatas) Production in North Carolina  ON FARM RESEARC  Project Title  Evaluating Scale-appropriate Technology for Organic No-till Vegetable Production  Regenerative Grazing to Mitigate Climate Change  Demonstration of Root Zone Heating Supported by the Developed Biomass Greenhouse Heating System  Evaluating On-Farm Use of Multi-   | \$14,904<br>\$14,787<br>\$14,883             | Danielle Treadwell North Carolina State University  GRANTS  Project Leaders  Karen McSwain Carolina Farm Stewardship Association  Saskia Cornes Duke University  Dr.Ok-Youn Yu Applachian State University  Michelle Lovejoy NC Foundation for Soil and Water                            |
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|                 | Resistant Rootstock in Western North Carolina   |          | NC Cooperative Extension                                     |
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| <u>OS09-050</u> | Development and Implementation of<br>On-Farm Biological Soil Disinfestation to<br>Manage Soilborne Diseases In Organic<br>Strawberry Production Systems | \$15,000 | Dr.Frank Louws<br>North Carolina State University            |
| <u>OS08-042</u> | New Tools to Make Organic No-till<br>Soybeans and Corn a Reality  | \$14,917 | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University |
| <u>OS07-038</u> | On-Farm Biofuel Production from Sweet<br>Sorghum Juice  | \$14,898 | Matthew Veal<br>North Carolina State University              |
| OS06-032        | Opportunities for pasture-raised Jersey beef in the Southeast   | \$14,952 | Dr.Steven Washburn<br>North Carolina State University        |
| <u>OS05-025</u> | Salmonella Contamination and Antibiotic<br>Resistance on Pastured Poultry and<br>Conventional Poultry Farms   | \$9,542  | Cedarose Siemon<br>Independent Research Scientist            |

## SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY INNOVATION GRANTS

| Project #       | Project Title  | SARE support | Project Leaders   |
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| CS15-092        | How Local Food System Development<br>Affects the Sustainability of Agriculture:<br>The Impact of Farmer-Consumer<br>Interactions on Production Practices | \$34,830     | Charlie Jackson<br>Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture<br>Project   |
| <u>CS12-088</u> | Community Farm & Food Project Phase II – Initiation  | \$9,996      | Allison Kiehl<br>Southern Appalachian Highlands<br>Conservancy  |
| <u>CS11-086</u> | Community Farm and Food Project<br>Phase I – Assessing Needs and<br>Building Partnerships  | \$10,000     | Allison Kiehl<br>Southern Appalachian Highlands<br>Conservancy  |
| CS10-082        | Farming and Agricultural<br>Recommendations for Mount Pleasant<br>(F.A.R.M.)   | \$10,000     | Stacy Piehl<br>Town of Mount Pleasant<br>Michael Robertson<br>Town of Mount Pleasant  |
| <u>CS10-079</u> | PolkFresh TradePost Project: A Strategy<br>to Implement Polk County's 20/20 Vision<br>plan for Sustainable Community<br>Development                      | \$10,000     | Carol Lynn Jackson<br>PolkFresh TradePost Project   |
| <u>CS09-070</u> | Stecoah Kitchen Entrepreneurship & Agri-tourism Project  | \$10,000     | Beth Fields<br>Stecoah Valley Arts, Crafts &<br>Educational Center, Inc.  |
| <u>CS08-063</u> | SNAP! A Sustainable Network at Polk From Farm to Fork and back to Farm again   | \$10,000     | Mary Lyth   |
| <u>CS07-055</u> | Stecoah Kitchen Entrepreneurship & Agri-Tourism Project  | \$10,000     | Beth Fields Stecoah Valley Arts, Crafts and Educational Center Beth Fields Stecoah Valley Arts, Crafts & Educational Center, Inc. |
| <u>CS06-045</u> | Establishing community and business partnerships to build a market identity  | \$9,950      | Jennifer Ulz<br>Carteret Community College  |

|                          | for local seafood   |               |  |  |  |
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| <u>CS06-050</u>          | Getting your small farm products to<br>market / a three county program to solve<br>product logistics: marketing/sales,<br>product development, packages and<br>labeling, transportation | \$40,000      | David Kendall<br>North Carolina Cooperative Extension  |  |  |
| CS05-033                 | Women Farmers Building a Healthy<br>Community and Economy in the High<br>Country  | \$9,900       | Chelly Richards<br>Blue Ridge Women in Agriculture<br>(BRWIA)  |  |  |
| <u>CS04-030</u>          | Healthy Livestock Agriculture & Healthy<br>People: Connecting Local Pasture-<br>Raised Food and Consumers in Central<br>North Carolina  | \$10,000      | Sally Norton Program on Integrative Medicine   |  |  |
| CS04-021                 | A Strategy for Sustaining Henderson<br>County Agricultural Communities  | \$8,500       | Lori Sand<br>Henderson County Planning Department  |  |  |
| CS04-027                 | Agricultural Community Support Across<br>Boundaries   | \$10,000      | Tom Elmore<br>Land-of-Sky Regional Council   |  |  |
| <u>CS03-009</u>          | Strengthening Rural Communities<br>Through Direct Marketing   | \$9,941       | Gerry Alfano Park and Recreation-Greensboro Farmers Curb Market Susan Andreatta University of North Carolina at Greensboro |  |  |
| CS03-018                 | New River Sustainable Agriculture<br>Marketing Plan   | \$10,000      | Hollis Wild<br>Appalachian Trees   |  |  |
| CS02-005                 | SE North Carolina Agri-Tourism Corridor<br>Development  | \$7,000       | Mikki Sager<br>The Conservation Fund   |  |  |
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| MS09-002                 | Taking it Statewide: Growing<br>Sustainable Good Systems Capacity<br>and Outcomes across North Carolina   | \$14,950      | Dr.Nancy Creamer<br>North Carolina State University  |  |  |
| PDP STATE PROGRAM GRANTS |   |               |  |  |  |
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| SNC18-001                | SNC18-001   | \$55,555      | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University   |  |  |
| <u>SNC19-001</u>         | 2019 Model State Program  | \$22,222      | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University<br>Dr.Sanjun Gu<br>North Carolina A&T State University        |  |  |
| <u>SNC17-001</u>         | SNC17-001   | \$55,555      | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University<br>Dr.Sanjun Gu<br>North Carolina A&T State University        |  |  |
| <u>SNC16-001</u>         | 2016-2017 Model State Program North<br>Carolina State University  | \$22,222      | Dr.S. Chris Reberg-Horton<br>North Carolina State University   |  |  |

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