

2020 NCR-SARE Professional Development Projects Recommended for Funding

Project #	Title	First Name	Last Name	Organization	State	\$\$ Requested	Cumulative	Brief Description
ENC20-187	Intensivo Biodinamico: Piloting Spanish Language Training in Biodynamics	Thea	Carlson	Biodynamic Association	IL	\$ 19,288	\$ 19,288	Intensivo Biodinamico is a three-day, in-person Spanish language training in biodynamics — a holistic, ecological, and ethical approach to farming — which will educate and empower Latinx farmers and farm workers and strengthen relationships to collaboratively build farm and community vitality.
ENC20-188	Teaching Seasonally-Based and Culturally-Centered Sustainable Agriculture Curriculum to Tribal Educators	Richard	Monette	University of Wisconsin	WI	\$ 90,000	\$ 109,288	This project will fill an important void in current curriculum and instruction by developing and implementing a seasonally-focused agricultural curriculum relevant to Tribal communities while expanding and strengthening the network of Tribal agricultural educators
ENC20-189	Soil Health Nexus: Strengthening Soil Health Programs for Educators and Farmers/Ranchers in the North Central Region	Christina	Curell	Michigan State University	MI	\$ 90,100	\$ 199,388	The North Central Region Soil Health Nexus is proposing to increase agricultural educators' ability to teach soil health and soil health practices to farmers and ranchers across the North Central Region through train the trainer field days and development of interactive decision making tools.
ENC20-190	Growing the Growers: Leadership Training and the Development of Key Personnel for Engaged Production in the Mansfield Microfarm Project	Kent (Kip)	Curtis	The Ohio State University	OH	\$ 89,976	\$ 289,364	Supporting the development of a comprehensive training program to assist low-opportunity growers entering an urban agricultural cooperative by providing business, agricultural, and marketing education designed to enhance environmentally sustainable production and increase successful outcomes.
ENC20-191	Online Agroforestry Course for Professionals	Keefe	Keeley	Savanna Institute	IL	\$ 79,620	\$ 279,008	Program develops and pilots an online course on agroforestry for professionals with related case-study videos, online resource library, and community of practice. The program will expand knowledge of agroforestry in the Midwest to meet the increasing interest among farmers and landowners.

ENC20-192	Innovating Education of Agricultural Professionals on Organic Field Crop Production with a Flipped Classroom Approach	Mallory	Krieger	Organic Trade Association	IL	\$ 89,731	\$ 89,731	OATS will improve farmer access to one-on-one science-based organic agronomy support by training agricultural professionals using an innovative hybrid distance-learning/in-person program that utilizes a flipped classroom model of training.
ENC20-193	Enhancing Cover Crop Training in the North Central Region	Eileen	Kladviko	Purdue University	IN	\$ 90,000	\$ 179,731	The Midwest Cover Crops Council is facilitating growth into broader target audiences through in-person and virtual cover crop trainings and providing important revisions to current cover crop resources.
ENC20-194	Improved sustainable agriculture outreach through behavior-change focused outreach toolkit	Adam	Reimer	National Wildlife Federation	MI	\$ 86,391	\$ 266,122	This project will develop and pilot test a behavior change outreach toolkit to support conservation efforts. This toolkit will include multimedia tutorials, video testimonials from successful outreach efforts, planning guidance, and evaluation support for innovative outreach to new audiences.
ENC20-195	Enhancing the Sustainability of Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship Through Educator and Farmer Mentor Professional Development	Angela	Sullivan	Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship	WI	\$ 84,750	\$ 350,872	The goal of this project is to better equip a targeted group of educators and farmers associated with Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship to train the next generation of dairy farmers.
ENC20-196	Training for Effective Delivery of Science-Based Soil Health Information – It's about More than Just Content, It's About Messaging Skills	Abbey	Wick	North Dakota State University	ND	\$ 89,817	\$ 440,689	Educator training on communication skills addresses the “delivery bottleneck” by providing training related to independent, effective content delivery and program development to increase adoption of soil health practices on-farm.
ENC20-197	Building a sustainable agriculture Extension network in Minnesota	Betsy	Wieland	University of Minnesota	MN	\$ 90,000	\$ 530,689	This project will create a network of Extension educators in Minnesota to help farmers with sustainability. New educators will participate in three on-farm labs and one meeting to reflect and plan future programming. For each session, a webinar will prepare participants before in-person meetings.