



Extension FactSheet

Agriculture and Natural Resources, 2120 Fyffe Rd., Columbus, OH 43210-1084

Sustainable Agriculture Resources

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The following list is a collection of references that all have a connection to sustainable agriculture. These references may include non-profit farmer-based organizations, university or Extension departments, federal government agencies, organic-based companies, and specialty magazines. This is not a complete listing nor an endorsement of any company or product, but rather a guide to help those interested in seeking information on alternative agricultural enterprises, adding value to their farming operation, organic production, natural grazing systems, and improving soil quality. If you do not have access to the internet, the addresses and telephone numbers of these resources are included for you to contact them.

Acres U.S.A.

Acres U.S.A. is North America's oldest and largest magazine covering commercial-scale organic and sustainable farming. Acres U.S.A. is the only national magazine that offers a comprehensive guide to sustainable agriculture.

Website: www.acresusa.com/magazines/magazine.htm

Address: P. O. Box 91299, Austin, TX 78709

Phone: (800) 355-5313

Agroecosystems Management Program

Overall program objectives of the Agroecosystems Management Program:

1. Provide opportunities for those involved in research, teaching, and outreach from different disciplines and different institutions to interact, discuss, and develop whole systems approaches to the challenges affecting the food system.
2. Foster an ecological approach to agriculture.
3. Link together social, biological, and engineering sciences to provide a foundation for innovative processes and projects.

Website: www.oardc.ohio-state.edu/amp

Address: OARDC, 1680 Madison Ave.,
Wooster, OH 44691

Phone: (330) 263-3700

All Organic Link

Website: <http://www.allorganiclinks.com>

Address: 753 S. Walnut St. Boise, ID 83712

Phone: (208) 345-6656

Fax: (208) 384-9226

Alternative Farming Systems Information Center

Website: <http://www.nal.usda.gov/afsic/afspub.htm>

Address: Alternative Farming Systems Information
Center, National Agricultural Library, Rm 132,
10301 Baltimore Ave.,
Beltsville, MD 20705-2351

Phone: (301) 504-6559

Fax: (301) 504-6927

American Forage and Grassland Council

Website: <http://www.afgc.org>

Address: Box 94, Georgetown, TX 78627

Phone: (800) 944-2342

American Small Farm

American SMALL FARM is the largest national magazine that specializes exclusively in the interest and

needs of the American Small Farmer. We use USDA's definition for a small farm. Our readers earn income from agriculture and usually have at least one full-time off-farm income. Our articles are written to help you improve your farm business and lifestyle.

Website: www.smallfarm.com

Address: Publishing Office, 267 Broad Street,
Westerville, OH 43081

Phone: 614-895-3755

Center for Environmental Farming Systems

Website: <http://www.cefs.ncsu.edu>

Address: North Carolina State University, 224 Kilgore
Hall, Box 7609, Raleigh, NC 27695-7609

Phone: (919) 515-9447

Clarkson Grain Co., Inc.

Clarkson Grain supplies superior grains, oilseeds, and ingredients to people making foods and feeds.

Website: <http://www.clarksongrain.com/2002CGweb.htm>

Address: P. O. Box 80, Cerro Gordo, IL 61818

Phone: (800) 252-1638

The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences

Managing and Using Production Resources

Food and fiber generation depend on the efficient use of soil, solar energy, water, and air.

Developing Food and Other Agricultural Products

College programs teach Ohio's citizens how technology is used to increase the market value of raw materials, be they food or fiber products.

Enhancing Environmental Quality

The college seeks to improve management and the conservation of regional and global air, water, and land systems—including agriculture—that affect human welfare, through education, research, and service activities.

Assessing Social and Economic Change

College programs consider the effects of present and future agricultural and natural resources research, education, and public policy on Ohio citizens and their communities.

Developing Human Resources

The college is a public resource whose ultimate goal is to improve the quality of life—including socioeconomic status, self-esteem, health, and leadership abilities—for Ohio citizens.

Website: cfaes.osu.edu/index.php

Address: College of Food, Agricultural, and
Environmental Sciences, 100 Agricultural
Administration Building, 2120 Fyffe Road,
Columbus, OH 43210

Phone: (614) 292-6891

E.A.T. Food for Life

Community Supported Agriculture

Over 500 small family farms are going out of business every week in America, which is why more than 1,500 Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) programs are a part of a growing grassroots effort that recognizes that the local, small-scale diversified farm must have the support of its local community in order to survive. It is a way in which anyone can help support and gain understanding of organic growing methods that protect soil resources and water quality while receiving the freshest, most flavorful and nutritious produce possible.

Website: www.eatfoodforlife.com/csabrochure.htm

Address: 14360 Mangen Rd., Yorkshire, OH 45388

Phone: (419) 336-5433

Farm to Markets

This website is a product of Ohio State University Extension and Ohio Direct Agriculture Marketing Association.

Website: <http://farmtomarkets.com>

Address: Nathan Watermeier, OSU Extension,
Agriculture and Natural Resources,
26 Agricultural Administration Bldg.,
2120 Fyffe Rd., Columbus, OH 43210

Phone: (614) 688-3442

United States Department of Agriculture Farmer Direct Marketing

Website: www.ams.usda.gov/directmarketing/index.htm

Address: Errol Bragg, Associate Deputy Administrator,
Marketing Services Branch—USDA, 1400
Independence Ave., S.W. Room 2646—S, Stop
0269, Washington, DC 20250-0269

Phone: (202) 720-8317

Growing New Farmers

Website: <http://gnf.bigmindcatalyst.com/cgi/bmc.pl?page=pubpg1.html&node=1009>

Address: Box 608, Belchertown, MA 01007

Phone: (413) 323-4531

Fax: (413) 323-9594

Innovative Farmers of Ohio

Our Mission: Innovative Farmers of Ohio is dedicated to promoting, through research, education, and community-building activities, an agriculture that preserves and strengthens the economic, social, and environmental well-being of Ohio's farms, farm families, and rural communities and protects and improves the health and productivity of Ohio's land and waterways.

Website: www.ifoh.org

Address: 3083 Liberty Road, Delaware, OH 43015

Phone: (740) 368-8552

The Kerr Center for Sustainable Agriculture

For thirty-five years the name Kerr has been associated with progressive ideas in agriculture. In line with this purpose, the Agricultural Division of the Kerr Foundation was established to provide farmers and ranchers in the area with free technical assistance and information on how to improve their operations.

Website: www.kerrcenter.com

Address: P. O. Box 588, Poteau, OK 74953

Phone: (918) 647-9123

Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture

Website: <http://www.leopold.iastate.edu>

Address: 209 Curtiss Hall, Iowa State University,
Ames, IA 50011

Phone: (515) 294-3711

Michael Fields Agricultural Institute

Providing a framework for positive change—in food and farming systems, food policy, and food production.

Website: www.michaelfieldsaginst.org

Address: W2493 County Road ES,
East Troy, WI 53120

Phone: (262) 642-3303

Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture

The Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture (MISA) is a unique partnership between the College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences at the University of Minnesota and the Sustainers' Coalition, a group of individuals and non-profit organizations. The purpose of MISA is to bring together the diverse interests of the agricultural community with interests from across the University community in a cooperative effort to develop and promote sustainable agriculture in Minnesota and beyond.

Website: www.misa.umn.edu

Address: Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture (MISA), University of Minnesota,
411 Borlaug Hall, 1991 Buford Circle,
St. Paul, MN 55108-1013

Phone: (612) 625-8235 or 1-800-909-MISA (6472)

The Midwest Organic and Sustainable Education Service

“Our mission is to help agriculture make the transition to a sustainable organic system of farming that is ecologically sound, economically viable and socially just, through information, education, research and integrating the broader community into this effort.”

Website: www.mosesorganic.org

Address: P. O. Box 339, Spring Valley, WI 54767

Phone: (715) 772-3153

United States Department of Agriculture National Organic Program

Website: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop/indexIE.htm>

Address: Richard Mathews, Program Manager, USDA-AMS-TMP-NOP, Room 4008-South Building,
1400 Independence Avenue, SW,
Washington, DC 20250-0020

Phone: (202) 720-3252

National Sustainable Agriculture Information Service, ATTRA

ATTRA (Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas), funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is a national sustainable agriculture information service managed by the National Center for Appropriate Technology. It provides information and other technical

assistance to farmers, ranchers, Extension agents, educators, and others involved in sustainable agriculture in the United States.

Website: www.attra.org

Address: P. O. Box 3657, Fayetteville, AR 72702

Phone: (800) 346-9140

Michigan State University Extension, The New Agriculture Network

Website: <http://www.ipm.msu.edu/new-ag.htm>

Address: Michigan State University Extension,
Agriculture Hall, Room 108, Michigan State
University, East Lansing, MI 48824-1039

Phone: (517) 355-2308

The New England Small Farm Institute

Website: <http://www.smallfarm.org>

Address: 275 Jackson St., Belchertown, MA 01007

Phone: (413) 323-4531

The Rodale Institute®, The New Farm®

The Rodale Institute®, a global leader in regenerative agriculture, is devoted to innovative agriculture research, outreach, and training through The New Farm® programs. The Institute works with people worldwide to achieve a regenerative food system that renews and improves environmental and human health, working with the philosophy that “Healthy Soil = Healthy Food = Healthy People®.”

Website: www.newfarm.org

Address: Rodale Institute, 611 Siegfriedale Rd.,
Kutztown, PA 19530-9320

Phone: (610) 683-1400

Growing Small Farms

Website: www.ces.ncsu.edu/chatham/ag/SustAg/index.html

Address: P. O. Box 279, Pittsboro, NC 27312

Phone: (919) 542-8202

NorthEast Organic Network

Website: <http://www.neon.cornell.edu>

Address: Department of Horticulture, 121 Plant Science
Building, Cornell University,
Ithaca, NY 14853

Phone: (607) 255-1780

Organic Food & Farming Education & Research (OFFER), Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center

Website: <http://www.oardc.ohio-state.edu/offer>

Address: Ohio State University, Ohio Agricultural
Research and Development Center, 1680
Madison Ave., Wooster, OH 44691

Phone: (330) 202-3528

Ohio Ecological Food & Farm Association (OEFFA)

The Ohio Ecological Food & Farm Association (OEFFA) was formed in 1979 and is a membership-based, grassroots organization, dedicated to promoting and supporting sustainable, ecological, and healthful food systems.

Website: www.oeffa.org

Address: Gwen Uetrecht, Office Manager, Box 82234,
Columbus, OH 43202

Phone: (614) 421-2022

Ohioline

Ohioline is a valuable information resource that is both online and offline. Principally produced by Ohio State University Extension, Ohioline is your Link to Information, News and Educational resources of not only Extension but of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, and the Agricultural Technical Institute. Research and Extension programs are also supported by the colleges of Human Ecology, Veterinary Medicine, and Biological Sciences.

Website: <http://ohioline.osu.edu>

Address: College of Food, Agricultural, and
Environmental Sciences, 100 Agricultural
Administration Building, 2120 Fyffe Road,
Columbus, OH 43210

Phone: (614) 292-6891

Address: OSU Extension, 3 Agricultural Administration Building, 2120 Fyffe Road, Columbus, OH 43210

Phone: (614) 292-6181

OrganicAgInfo

Visit the Organic Agriculture Information website for current, accurate, scientifically-based or practically validated information about organic agriculture. The site contains information on production, economic data, research results, farmer anecdotes, certification information, transition strategies, as well as many other subjects related to organic agriculture.

Website: www.organicaginfo.org

Contact: Kathy Bielek, Organic Agriculture Consortium
oac@osu.edu

Organic Crop Improvement Association

As a world leader in the certified organic industry, OCIA International, a member-owned, nonprofit organization, provides research, education, and certification services to thousands of organic growers, processors, and handlers in North America, Central America, South America, Africa, Europe, and Pacific Rim.

Website: www.ocia.org/members/index.asp

Address: OCIA International, 6400 Cornhusker, Suite 125, Lincoln, NE 68507

Phone: (402) 477-2323

Organic Farming Research Foundation

Our Mission: To sponsor research related to organic farming practices, to disseminate research results to organic farmers and to growers interested in adopting organic production systems, to educate the public and decision-makers about organic farming issues.

Website: www.ofrf.org

Address: P. O. Box 440, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Phone: None

The Ohio State University, Plant Facts

Website: <http://plantfacts.osu.edu>

Address: The Ohio State University, Department of Horticulture and Crop Science, 202 Kottman Hall, 2021 Coffey Rd., Columbus, OH 43210

Phone: (614) 292-2001

The Savory Center

Website: <http://www.holisticmanagement.org/index.cfm>

Address: 1010 Tijeras NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102

Phone: (505) 842-5252

Fax: (505) 843-7900

Small Farm Today

Website: <http://www.smallfarmtoday.com>

Address: 3903 W Ridge Trail Rd., Clark, MO 65243-9525

Phone: (573) 687-3525

Small Farm New Farm Internet Resources

Quick Links to Agriculture & Natural Resource Pages

Website: <http://newfarm.osu.edu>

Address: The Ohio State University

Phone: None

The Ohio State University, South Centers Program Website

Website: southcenters.osu.edu/ffs.htm

Address: Jackson Location, 017 Standpipe Road, Jackson, OH 45640

Phone: (740) 286-2177

Piketon Location, 1864 Shyville Road, Piketon, OH 45661

Phone: (740) 289-2071

The Speakers Bureau

The Speakers Bureau provides funds to organizations bringing speakers to meetings, conferences, and workshops.

Website: www.sare.org/ncrsare/speakers.htm

Address: NCR-SARE, UNL, 13A Activities Bldg., P. O. Box 830840, Lincoln, NE 68583-0840

Phone: None

Sustainable Agriculture, The Ohio State University

The goal of the Sustainable Agriculture Team is to coordinate and enhance research, teaching, and education outreach efforts on behalf of the University in

the area of sustainable agriculture. This multidisciplinary team consists of more than 40 researchers, educators, and students from various departments/units across the University, Agricultural Technical Institute, and county Extension offices in Ohio.

Website: sustainableag.osu.edu

Address: Wood County Extension Office, 440 E. Poe Rd., Ste. 101, Bowling Green, OH 43402

Phone: (419) 354-9050

Sustainable Agriculture Network (SAN)

SAN is the communications and outreach arm of the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) program. SARE is a U.S. Department of Agriculture-funded initiative that sponsors competitive grants for sustainable agriculture research and education in a regional process nationwide. SAN is dedicated to the exchange of scientific and practical information on sustainable agriculture systems using a variety of printed and electronic communications tools.

Website: www.sare.org

Address: Andy Clark, 10300 Baltimore Ave., Bldg. 046 BARC-WEST, Beltsville, MD 20705-2350

Phone: (301) 504-6425

Sustainable Farming Connection

Website: <http://www.ibiblio.org/farming-connection/index.html>

Address: Craig Cramer, Communications Specialist, Department of Horticulture, 167 Plant Science, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853

Phone: (607) 255-5428

Virginia Association for Biological Farming

Website: <http://www.vabf.org>

Address: P. O. Box 1003, Lexington, VA 24450

Phone: (540) 463-6363

Michigan State University, W. K. Kellogg Biological Station

KBS is Michigan State University's largest off-campus education complex and one of North America's premier inland field stations. The Station is administered through the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the College of Natural Science. World-renowned for its contributions to ecological science and evolutionary biology, the Station is home to one of the National Science Foundation's Long-Term Ecological Research sites, and is committed to science and ecology education, conservation of natural resources, and sustainable agriculture research and demonstration. KBS's mission is to develop programs in research, education, and extension directed toward a comprehensive understanding of natural and managed ecosystems and the conservation of natural resources.

Website: www.kbs.msu.edu

Address: W. K. Kellogg Biological Station, Michigan State University, 3700 East Gull Lake Drive, Hickory Corners, MI 49060

Phone: (269) 671-2400

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<http://ohioline.osu.edu>

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