

SOUTHERN RURAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Rural Communities Thriving Together

ANNUAL REPORT
2019



Letter from the Director

The team here at the Southern Rural Development Center (SRDC) is pleased to present this 2019 annual report and 2020 calendar and to share with you some of the accomplishments of the Center and our 30 Land-Grant University (LGU) partners across 13 southern states and territories. Two new members of the SRDC staff are Emily Green and Laura Narmour. Emily is our Grants and Contracts Specialist and is a recent graduate of Mississippi State University in International Business. Laura joins us as an Office Associate with over 15 years experience in the health care sector. These two, along with Rachel Welborn, Katherine Spiering, Grace Langford, and Russ Garner constitute one of the best staffs I have been associated with in my 33 years in academia. This energetic and enthusiastic group of individuals are a personification of the SRDC's mission and vision.

On these pages you'll find information about several major projects that were initiated or continued in 2019. For instance, the interest surrounding heirs' property is spreading and is increasingly being recognized as an impediment to community development. The SRDC is working with Extension and research partners in the South to explore regional responses to this growing issue. Also, the 2020 Census will be released on April 1, 2020, and an accurate count is important to every community and person in the nation. Together with our Extension partners, the SRDC is exploring ways to increase the response rate in hard to count areas which include much of the rural South. Another major effort in 2019 was a cooperative arrangement with the Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement at the United State Department of Agriculture (USDA) to encourage the formation and support of local prosperity councils to address pressing economic and community issues. And Rachel Welborn continues to coordinate "Coming Together for Racial Understanding," a national program that addresses a sensitive and enduring topic. Other projects include work on digital literacy with the National Digital Education Extension Team (NDEET), retail workforce development (CREATE BRIDGES), and local foods (SERA 47).

As you can see, the SRDC is engaged in an array of efforts as directed by our Board of Directors and Technical Operation and Advisory Committee. With their direction and the support of USDA's National Institute for Food and Agriculture and multiple other partners, we continue to leverage resources with our LGUs to provide assistance to rural communities in America. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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MISSION

The Southern Rural Development Center seeks to strengthen the capacity of the region's 30 Land-Grant Institutions to address critical contemporary rural development issues impacting the well-being of people and communities in the rural South.

Priorities:

- Develop Pathways to Resilient Communities
- Build Strategic Partnerships
- Mobilize Resources around Emerging Issues and Opportunities

To view all the Land-Grant Institutions that we serve, please visit:
srdc.msstate.edu/about/landgrant/

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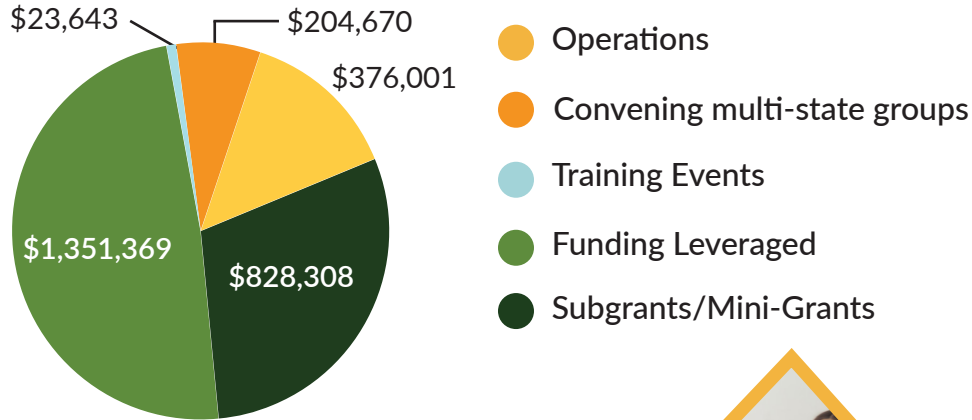
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SRDC DIRECT IMPACTS

SPENDING PATTERNS



- Operations
- Convening multi-state groups
- Training Events
- Funding Leveraged
- Subgrants/Mini-Grants

ADVANCING SCHOLARSHIP

Curricula

- 4H Tech Changemakers
- CREATE BRIDGES
- Coming Together for Racial Understanding
- Community Prosperity Summit Series

Briefs, Infographics, Reports

- Annual Report
- SRDC Brochure
- CRD Indicators

Presentations by Staff

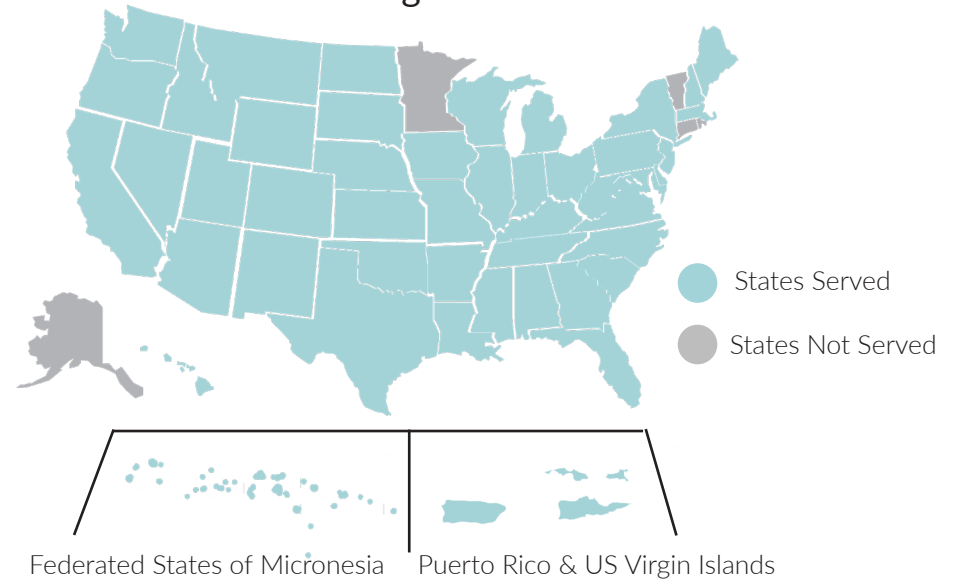
The SRDC staff has presented 22 times at multiple events on a multitude of topics, such as:

- Racial Understanding
- Leadership Development
- 2020 Census
- Heirs' Property



MULTI-STATE INITIATIVES


Serving 45 states





Universities Served: 63

Total Participants: 949

REACH

 13 webinars, 267 participants

 401 followers, 352 likes

 358 followers

 896 newsletter subscribers



JANUARY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
			New Year's Day			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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	Martin Luther King Jr. Day					
26	27	28	29	30	31	

2019 SOUTHERN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR SERIES

In 2019, the Community Resource Development (CRD) specialists in the Southern Region continued their successful webinar series aimed at showcasing some of the best community development programs the region has to offer. In 2020, these will transition to periodic high-priority topic sessions.

JANUARY



Exploring Ways to Engage Limited Resource Communities in Disaster Education
Michelle Eley, North Carolina A&T State University

FEBRUARY



Empowering Minority Students with an Entrepreneurial Mindset
Dave Shideler, Ron Cox, & Elber Arroyo-Rivera
Oklahoma State University

MARCH



Equipping Georgia's New Farmers for Success
Andrea Scarrow & Rob Martin
University of Georgia

APRIL



Building a Regional Coalition for Natural Resource Conservation
Dan Kahl, University of Kentucky
Sreedhar Upendram, University of Tennessee

MAY



Community Food Systems: A Space for Ecology, Justice, and Markets
Eric Bendfeldt, Virginia Cooperative Extension

JUNE



Telling the Whole Story: Economic Contribution and Cotton Cooperatives
Rebekka Dudensing & John Park
Texas A&M University

JULY



Creating Bridges for the Rural Retail Workforce
Alison Davis, University of Kentucky
Stacey McCullough, University of Arkansas
Dave Shideler, Oklahoma State University



To view other webinars, visit: <http://srdc.msstate.edu/trainings/crdwebinars.html>

FEBRUARY 2020

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			Joint Council of Extension Professionals Leadership Conference: San Antonio, TX		Valentine's Day	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Presidents' Day					
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

MARCH 2020

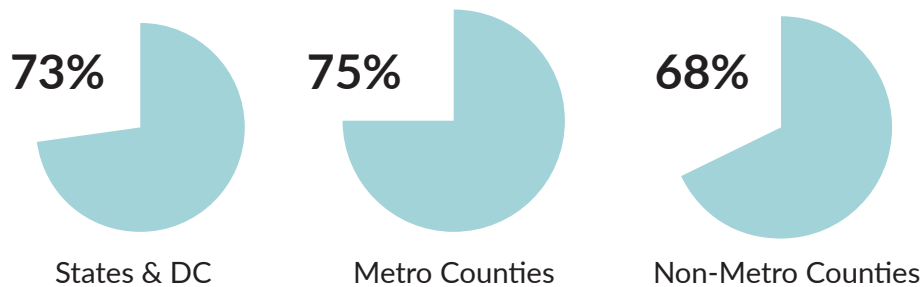
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Daylight Savings Begins						
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Saint Patrick's Day				
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

CENSUS 2020

**CENSUS DAY: APRIL 1, 2020
OFFERED ONLINE FOR THE 1ST TIME!**

The Decennial Census, conducted since 1970, is required in the U.S. Constitution. This short form questionnaire is now being offered online, by phone, mail, and in-person. Census data is used for political apportionment, allocating government funds, defining rural-urban status, and to help inform decision making.

AVERAGE MAIL RESPONSE TO 2010 CENSUS



PARTICIPATION TOOLS

- Census Explorer - 2010 Participation Rates
<https://www.census.gov/censusexplorer/2010ratemap.html>
- Response Outreach Area Mapper
<https://www.census.gov/roam>

To learn more, visit: <http://srdc.msstate.edu/2020census/index.html>

PROGRAMS IMPACTED BY CENSUS DATA

Medicare	USDA
Medicaid	School Lunch Program
SNAP	Cooperative Extension Service
WIC	Land-Grant Universities

HOW COMMUNITIES CAN GET INVOLVED

-  **1. EDUCATE**
-  **2. MOTIVATE**
-  **3. REMIND**



APRIL 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
			Census Day			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Public Issues Leadership Development Conference: Arlington, VA					Good Friday	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Easter Sunday						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

SOUTHERN REGION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION IMPACTS



Universities Reporting

76.24

Full Time Equivalents



\$9,126,981

Value of in-kind resources contributed by organizations or communities

\$301,891,887

Grants acquired by organizations or communities because of Extension efforts

LEVERAGING EXTENSION INVESTMENTS

771

Number of plans adopted and implemented in communities, agencies, local governments, or businesses

25,232

Number of participants who report new leadership roles & opportunities undertaken

92,589

Number of jobs created/retained

141

Number of new alliances or networks formed through some type of formal agreement or MOU

5,105

Number of businesses created, retained, or expanded



To read the full report, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/crd-indicators-2019>

MAY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Mother's Day	National Health Outreach Conference: Kansas City, MO					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	Memorial Day					

SOUTHERN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IMPACT STORIES



ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Mississippi State University helps businesses with online marketing tool and has helped increase sales through the Bricks-To-Clicks™ Extension Program.

Kentucky State University helped to support small businesses through free workshop for minority, underserved, and underrepresented business owners.

University of Georgia & Fort Valley State University delivered the USDA Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Workshop to raise awareness about the grant and its application process.



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

North Carolina A&T University's Community Voices program helps to develop leadership skills in areas such as housing, health, and economic development, with participants securing funding for their work.

Prairie View A&M University's Nonprofit Consortium helps nonprofits, collaborate, improve best practices, and build their capacity to grow through writing grants.

University of Arkansas Extension provides statewide ballot education to increase awareness of ballot initiatives through printed and online voter guides.



QUALITY OF LIFE

Oklahoma State University partners with local entities to hold community meetings in towns affected by the opioid crisis.

Virginia Cooperative Extension is fighting the opioid crisis by delivering prevention programming through the PROSPER program.

University of Puerto Rico was able to aid those affected by Hurricanes Irma and Marie through their Emergency Plan courses.

University of Kentucky compiled the results of statewide community assessments to find local priorities which included economic development and substance abuse.

Texas A&M University is building a local food center that will serve rural areas through education and entrepreneur development.



BUILDING CAPACITY IN AGRICULTURE

Tuskegee University supports farmers by strengthening technical/managerial knowledge and raising awareness about financial wellbeing, marketing, comparative cluster farming, and more.

University of Tennessee focuses on projects improving community viability and rural competitiveness including rural broadband, risk mitigation strategies, an Affordability Index, and market feasibility of hard cider production and sales.

North Carolina State University's Farmerworker Health and Safety Program engages farmworkers, farm operators, and farm labor contractors with interactive training.



To read the full stories, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/crd-indicators-2019>

JUNE 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals Conference: Portsmouth, NH						
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Father's Day						
28	29	30				

COMMUNITY PROSPERITY SUMMITS

Throughout the summer of 2019, in partnership with USDA's Office of Partnership and Public Engagement (OPPE), the four Regional Rural Development Centers hosted four Community Prosperity Summits around the country. These summits brought together community partners from across the nation to build capacity to address the USDA Agriculture and Rural Prosperity Priorities.

AGRICULTURE & RURAL PROSPERITY PRIORITIES

Fostering
E-Connectivity
for Rural
America

Improving
Quality
of
Life

Supporting
a Rural
Workforce

Harnessing
Technological
Innovation

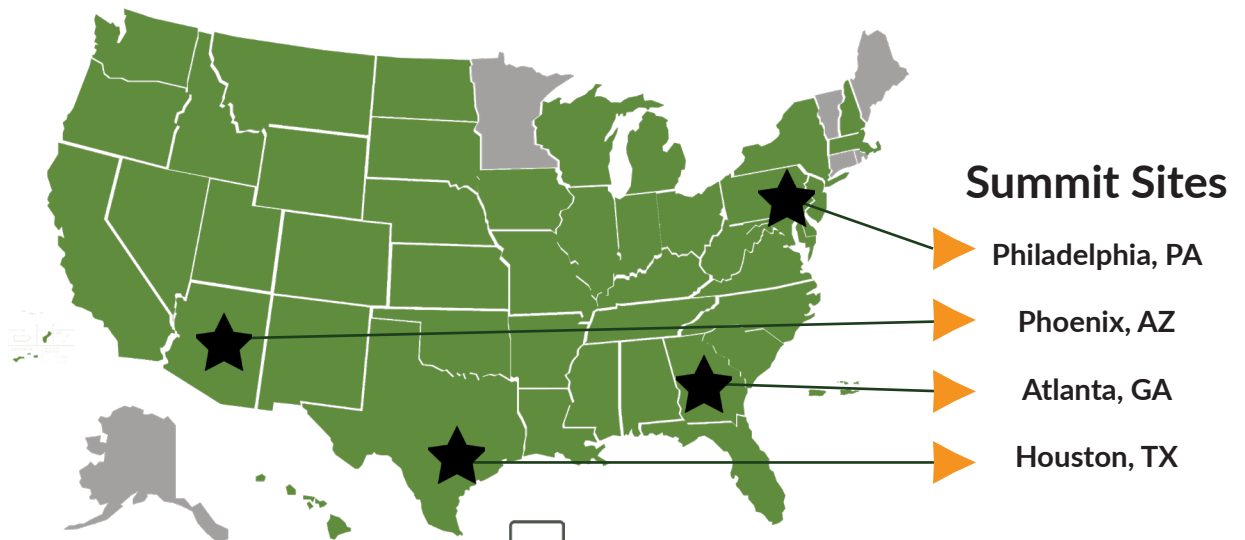
Advancing
Economic
Development



SUMMIT OBJECTIVES

- Fostering progress toward the Agriculture & Rural Prosperity Priorities
- Connecting USDA & other federal programs of value to agriculture & rural communities
- Demonstrating how to identify & approach relevant partners
- Modeling a planning process for helping participants work within local communities
- Developing & implementing Local Prosperity Councils

PARTICIPATING STATES



To learn more, visit: <http://srdc.msstate.edu/community-prosperity/>

JULY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
						Independence Day
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
50th Annual Meeting of the Community Development Society: Columbia, MO						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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NATIONAL SUSTAINABILITY SUMMIT + NATIONAL EXTENSION ENERGY SUMMIT

SOUTHERN REGION PROGRAM LEADERSHIP NETWORK

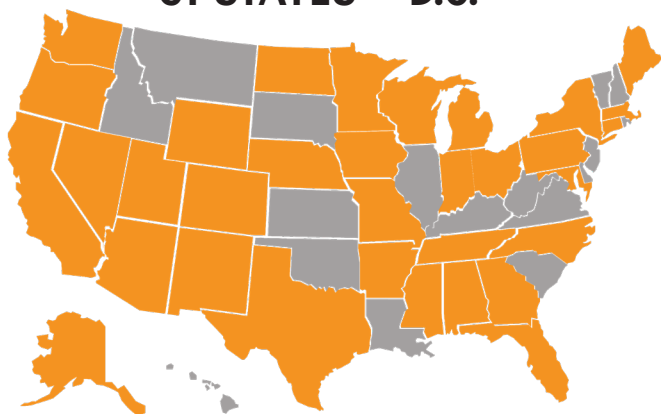


SRDC served on the planning team for the National Sustainability and National Extension Energy Joint Summit. Educators, researchers, students, community partners, and pollinators of change from across the country came together at this joint national conference in Tampa, Florida in April 2019. Participants learned about the latest sustainability and energy research, exchanged innovative programming strategies, updated their educational toolbox, and cultivated new communities of practice that expanded and strengthened collective impacts.

The mission of this group is to foster and strengthen Extension education programming throughout the southern region by promoting multi-state cooperation, anticipating emerging program issues and needs, and implementing action processes to address them in a timely manner.

In August 2019, 248 participants representing state program leaders from eight committees, the Association of Extension Administrators (AEA), and the Association of Southern Region Extension Directors (ASRED) convened for joint regional planning and collaboration. The number of participants in each group are depicted below.

185 PARTICIPANTS FROM 31 STATES + D.C.



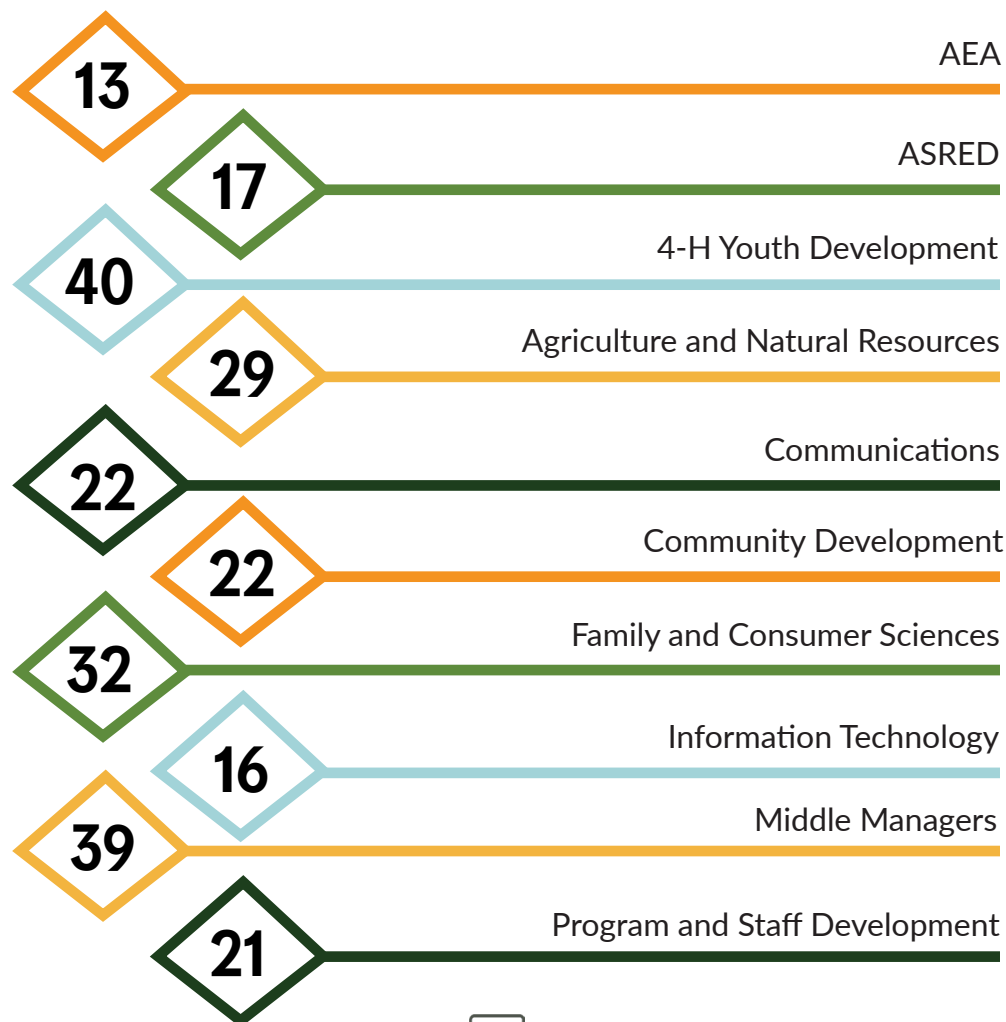
Conference Chairs


Conference Chair
Jennison Kipp Searcy
University of Florida

Conference Co-Chairs (National Sustainability Summit)
Ramona Madhosingh-Hector Linda Seals
University of Florida University of Florida

Conference Co-Chairs (National Extension Energy Summit)
Craig Miller Dave Ripplinger
University of Florida North Dakota State University

 To learn more, visit: <https://nationalextensionsummits.com/>



 To learn more, visit: <http://srpln.msstate.edu/>

AUGUST 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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				Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting: Westminster, CO		
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Southern Region Program Leadership Network, Association of Extension Administrators & Association of Southern Region Extension Directors Joint Meeting: Fort Worth, TX					
30	31					



CREATE BRIDGES:

Celebrating **R**etail, **A**ccommodations, **T**ourism and **E**ntertainment by **B**uilding **R**ural **I**nnovations and **D**eveloping **G**rowth **E**conomies

Through funding from Walmart, CREATE BRIDGES is an initiative to strengthen retail, accommodations, tourism, and entertainment industries which often make up a large portion of the jobs & businesses that drive rural economies. CREATE BRIDGES was designed to raise awareness of the important role these businesses play in the local economy, determine challenges and assets impacting those businesses, and develop and implement strategies to strengthen these sectors.

The Business Retention & Expansion process was used to engage CREATE sector businesses to assess their strengths/challenges and inform strategies to address issues that impact business and workforce well-being.

SURVEYS COMPLETED

ARKANSAS | 117

KENTUCKY | 46

OKLAHOMA | 80

CREATE BRIDGES PROCESS

- ▶ Form Regional Steering Committees
- ▶ Conduct Asset Mapping
- ▶ Host Civic Forum
- ▶ Participate in Retail Academy
- ▶ Conduct Businesses Retention & Expansion Process
- ▶ Gain Employee Perspectives
- ▶ Implement New Goals & Strategies to Create Change



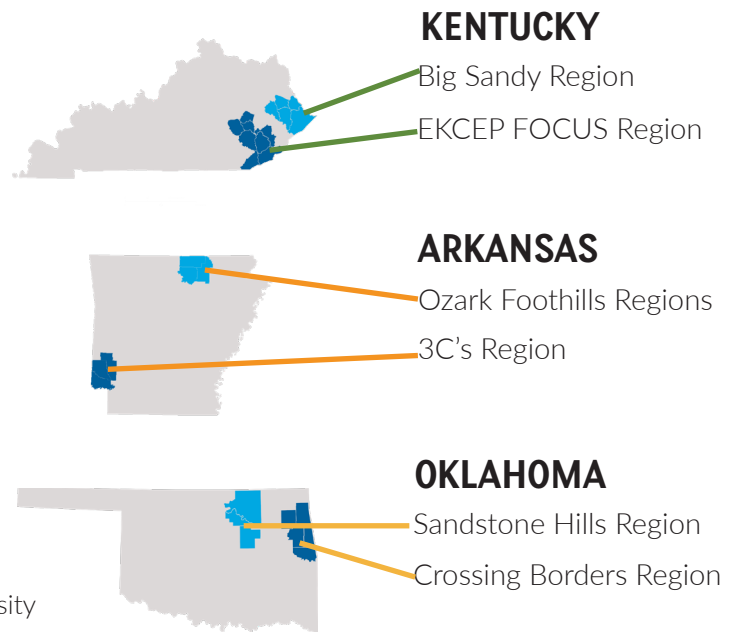
Alison Davis
University of Kentucky



Stacey McCullough
University of Arkansas



Dave Shideler
Oklahoma State University



To learn more, visit: <http://srdc.msstate.edu/createbridges/index.html>

Funding for CREATE BRIDGES provided by: **Walmart**

SEPTEMBER 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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	Labor Day					
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27	28	29	30			

4-H TECH CHANGEMAKERS INITIATIVE

According to the Federal Communications Commission's 2018 Broadband Deployment report, over 24 million people in the U.S. do not have access to broadband Internet (25 Mbps download/3 Mbps upload). The National Digital Extension Education Team (NDEET) in partnership with the National 4-H Council, Microsoft, and Georgia 4-H trained youth and adult leaders to address the digital divide across the U.S. through the 4-H Tech Changemakers program. This includes working with 4-H youth and educators, broadband service providers, community members, civic leaders, and Microsoft to help people thrive in a digital economy and benefit from high-speed connectivity.

PROGRAM GOALS

1. Empower community members to adopt and use technology to improve their opportunities and outcomes through the use of broadband Internet. Community members will gain technology awareness and skills related to what broadband Internet can provide.
2. Raise the visibility of the partnership and mission as 4-H Tech Changemakers. Engage with lawmakers, media, and other stakeholders. Teen leaders will be trained as spokespeople to lift up and expand youth voice in this critical conversation.
3. Infuse positive youth development approaches in relation to citizenship and technology skills development throughout the life cycle of the project. Teen leaders will successfully engage their local community to address their digital literacy issues.

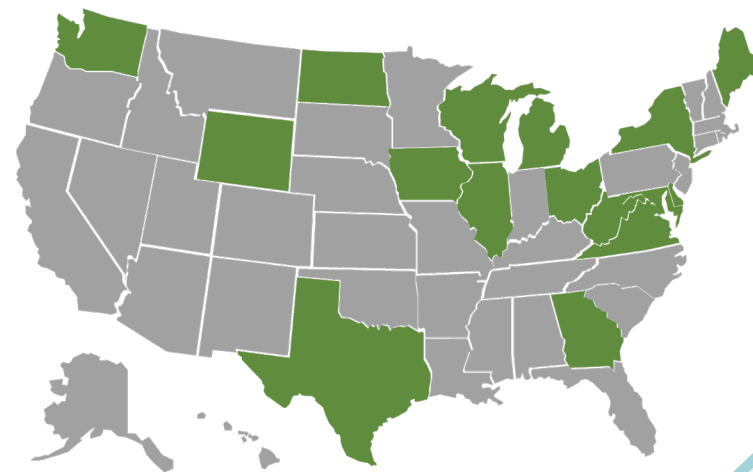
NDEET & SRDC'S ROLE

- ▶ Writing and adapting curriculum
- ▶ Conducting regional trainings
- ▶ Coaching and supporting state teams



To learn more about this project, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/techchangemakers>
To learn more about NDEET, visit: <http://srdc.msstate.edu/ecommerce/>

16 States | 91 Communities



1,000 Youth Digital Ambassadors

750 Local Events to Date



Partners

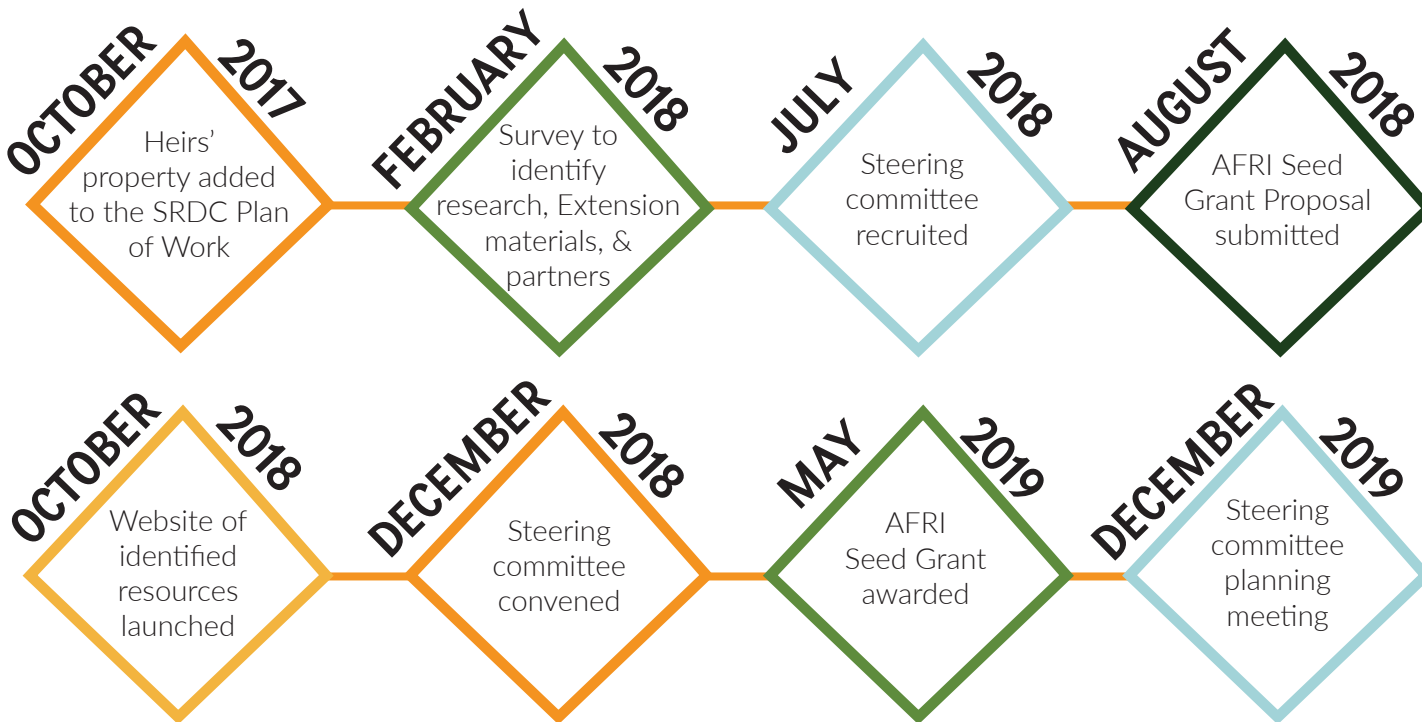


OCTOBER 2020

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		Sustainable Tourism & Outdoor Recreation Conference: Astoria, OR				
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Columbus Day					
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
						Halloween

HEIRS' PROPERTY

The USDA defines heirs' property as land that has been passed down informally from generation to generation, in most cases, without a will. African American communities in the southern Black Belt have been particularly affected, although similar situations exist in the Mississippi Delta, in white communities in Appalachia, with Native Americans living on tribal lands, and in the Hispanic Colonias in South Texas. SRDC is partnering with CES, researchers, and non-profits in the South to explore opportunities for a regional capacity building response. The steps taken to better understand these important issues so far are illustrated below along with 2020 events planned.



Partners



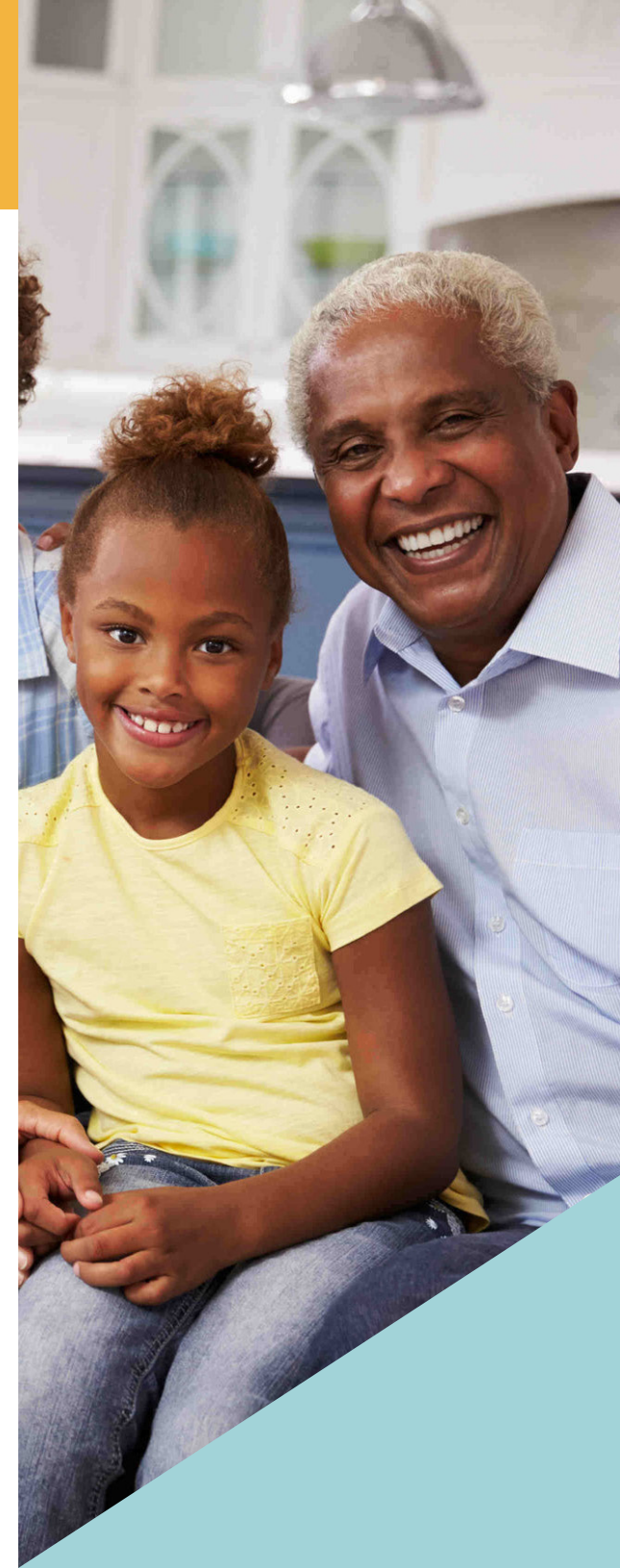
**SOUTHERN
EXTENSION
RISK MANAGEMENT
EDUCATION**

North Central
Extension and
Research Activity
NCERA2172

2020 Events

FEBRUARY 24-25

Southern Region Planning Meeting
Atlanta, GA



To learn more, visit: http://srdc.msstate.edu/heir_property.html

NOVEMBER 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Daylight Savings Ends						
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			Veterans Day			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
				Thanksgiving Day		
29	30					

BONNIE TEATER EARLY CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Bonnie Teater is a special individual to friends of the Southern Rural Development Center. For 30 years, she provided valuable support and day-to-day assistance to the Center as a member of its staff. She served as an inspiration to all because of the dedication she brought to her work and her passion for the rural development research and Extension outreach mission of the region's Land-Grant Universities. She currently is enjoying retirement in Kentucky.

The Early Career Achievement Award is awarded on odd number years and honors the work of "rising star" who has already achieved great things in his/her early career in community development. Below is this year's recipient.



Ramona Madhosingh-Hector

Ramona is a Regional Specialized Urban Sustainability Agent at the University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) in Pinellas County, Florida.

In Ramona's nine years of serving in this role, she has received more than 30 state and national awards and has also presented at nearly 100 conferences. Her determination to raise the status of Community Resource Development (CRD) work across Florida Extension and the state of Florida led her to launch a National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals state chapter.

She has been a dominant player in developing and launching a new UF/IFAS Extension Program: CIVIC, Community Voices, Informed Choices. This provides a platform for deliberative dialogue and feedback through a two-way exchange versus a one-way program delivery style. Last year, she traveled to Maynooth, Ireland with her team to the 2018 World Development Conference. There, they shared program successes and learned from community development colleagues from around the world.

Another one of Ramona's achievements includes a program called Sustainability Connections which is a community film series. Also, in the field of sustainability, Ramona was an integral part of the planning team for the 2019 National Sustainability and National Extension Energy Joint Summit in Tampa, Florida.



To learn more, visit: <http://srdc.msstate.edu/funding/bonnieteater/>

SERA 47: LOCAL FOODS



Chair
Karen Vines
Virginia Tech



Vice-Chair
Virginie Zoumenou
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Eastern Shore



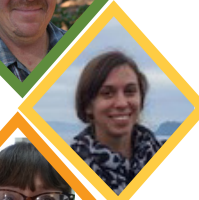
Secretary
Marcus Coleman
Louisiana State
University

VISIONING GROUP

A visioning group was established at the Annual Meeting in December 2019. They are tasked with drafting a proposal for the next 5-year plan of work for the SERA which is due in 2021. See the visioning group members to the right.



Dave Lamie
Clemson University



Hannah Dankbar
NC State University



Vivian Carro-Figueroa
University of Puerto Rico

WORKING GROUPS

- Impact Evaluation
- Resource Bank/ Digital Repository
- Successful Models
- Learning Communities

TOP 10 ISSUES IDENTIFIED

This group, chaired by Quisto Settle of Oklahoma State University, completed their work of finding the top 10 issues facing local foods using a Delphi Study. Their work is currently being reviewed for publication.



To learn more, visit: <http://srdc.msstate.edu/foods/index.html>

DECEMBER 2020

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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	Christmas Day	
				New Year's Eve		

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Non Land-Grant

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Rural Coalition | Non Land-Grant

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Northeast Regional Center for Rural Development
Office of Partnership and Public Engagement, USDA
Purdue Center for Regional Development

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Rural Development, USDA
Socially Disadvantaged Farmers & Ranchers Policy
Research Center
Southern Association of Agricultural Experiment
Station Directors
Southern Extension Risk Management Education
Southern Sustainable Agriculture Research &
Education Program
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