

2020 NCR-SARE Partnership Grant Proposals Recommended for Funding

Project #	Project Title	PI Name	Primary Grantee	State	\$\$ Amt Funded	Cumulative	Practices	Commodities	Brief Description
ONC20-067	Building Resilient Organic Farms through Communities of Practice	Chuck Anderas	Midwest Organic and Sustainable Education Service	WI	\$ 39,934	\$ 39,934	Education & Training	This project is not commodity specific or doesn't apply to commodities	MOSES will organize farmer-led grower groups and form a Community of Practice to support farmer-leaders.
ONC20-068	Stories that Sell: A Robust Communications Toolkit for Sustainable Ag Farmers and Ranchers	Ahna Kruzic	Women, Food & Agriculture Network	IN	\$ 39,806	\$ 79,740	Farm Business Management	This project is not commodity specific or doesn't apply to commodities	Our project will support and better understand the needs of under-served farmers through the development of storytelling curriculum and training events.
ONC20-069	On-Farm Stewardship Research Group: Farmer-Led Research to Promote Working Lands Conservation for Soil Health, Water Quality and Biodiversity.	Shelly Gradwell-Brenneman	Valley Stewardship Network	WI	\$ 40,000	\$ 119,740	Production Systems	Animals	SW Wisconsin farmer-leaders will initiate grass and forage based on-farm stewardship research and education for profitable farms and resilient watersheds.
ONC20-070	Full Trucks for Higher Profits: Transportation Collaboration among Farmers and Food Hubs in the Midwest	Jason Grimm	Iowa Valley RC&D	IA	\$ 39,930	\$ 159,670	Sustainable Communities	This project is not commodity specific or doesn't apply to commodities	Our goal is to encourage and increase farmer participation in shared transportation to reduce transportation-related costs and increase farmer profits.
ONC20-071	Seed Rematriation Using a Participatory Conservation Model	Philip Kauth	Seed Savers Exchange	IA	\$ 40,000	\$ 199,670	Sustainable Communities	This project is not commodity specific or doesn't apply to commodities	Seed Savers Exchange will partner with three Native farmers to grow out Indigenous varieties, increase seed supply, and restore seeds to their communities.
ONC20-072	Soil Sisters: Increasing women farmer-led education and opportunities through local network building and learning circles	Jan Joannides	Renewing the Countryside	WI	\$ 39,976	\$ 239,646	Education & Training	This project is not commodity specific or doesn't apply to commodities	Develop resources for women farmer-led networks and learning circles, including eight new Farm Partner-led networks and a Toolkit of best practices.
ONC20-073	Grower-Buyer Network Development through Culinary Collaboration	Natalie Keane	Sprout MN	MN	\$ 25,838	\$ 265,484	Sustainable Communities	This project is not commodity specific or doesn't apply to commodities	Assessing the effectiveness of marketing and engagement campaigns that personalize local producers featured in culinary events.
ONC20-074	Partnering in plant health: Improving our understanding of fruit tree diseases in Kansas	Megan Kennelly	Kansas State University	KS	\$ 39,583	\$ 305,067	Pest Management	Fruits	This project will enhance knowledge of fruit production constraints and fruit pest/disease issues in Kansas and build collaborative relationships.
ONC20-075	Low Spray Rosé: Alternative Fruits for Rosé Cider Production	Andrew Kirk	Ohio State University-Ashtabula ARS	OH	\$ 39,922	\$ 344,989	Production Systems	Fruits	Ohio State University and industry partners will establish and disseminate best practice guidance on the production of Rosé cider from sustainable berry crops.
ONC20-076	Balancing harvest efficiency and economics of grazing fall forage cover crops.	Erin Laborie	Nebraska Extension	NE	\$ 40,000	\$ 384,989	Animal Production--including aquaculture and apiary	Animals	Effects of stocking density on grazing efficiency and body condition score of cattle grazing fall forage cover crops in a continuous vs. stip-grazing system.
ONC20-077	Insecticide use in cover crops: Understanding impacts at a field scale	Justin McMechan	University of Nebraska Eastern Nebraska Research and Extension Center	NE	\$ 39,906	\$ 424,895	Pest Management	Agronomic	This project will evaluate the impact of insecticides on pest and beneficial insects when applied at different times during cover crop termination.
ONC20-078	Research and Demonstration of Precision Planting of Cover Crop Mixtures for Improving Farm Profit and Soil Health	Amir Sadeghpour	Southern Illinois University Carbondale	IL	\$ 39,995	\$ 464,890	Production Systems	Agronomic	Improving cover crop adoption by research and demonstration of precision planting of cover crop mixtures to increase farm profit and improve soil health.

ONC20-079	Expanding Appalachia Ohio's Artisanal Meat Production	Leslie Schaller	ACEnet	OH	\$ 39,407	\$ 504,297	Education & Training	Animals	ACEnet will provide training and processing assistance to livestock farmers to expand product lines and increase sales for locally sourced, artisanal meats.
ONC20-080	Hoosier Harvest 365 Hospital Delivery Program Expansion	Amy Surburg	Hoosier Harvest Market	IN	\$ 38,000	\$ 542,297	Farm Business Management	This project is not commodity specific or doesn't apply to commodities	The program aims to give farmers an opportunity to expand into a wholesale market with minimal risk while also giving a yearly predictable steady produce order.
ONC20-081	The Agroforestry Apprenticeship Program: On-farm and online training for the next generation of agroforestry farmers	Kevin Wolz	Savanna Institute	IL	\$ 40,000	\$ 582,297	Education & Training	This project is not commodity specific or doesn't apply to commodities	We are training the next generation of agroforestry farmers in perennial farm management through on-farm apprenticeships, online coursework, and field days.