



**Virtual Farmer Town Hall
Friday September 24, 2021
1:00 - 5:00 pm ET**

Agenda

1:00 PM

Welcome

*Carolyn Mugar, Farm Aid Executive Director
Bryan Hurlburt, Connecticut Commissioner of Agriculture
Moderator: Scott Marlow*

2:00 PM

Keynote Plenary Discussion

*Senator Tina Smith (D-MN)
Senator Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)
USDA Secretary Thomas J. Vilsack
Moderator: Niaz Dorry, National Family Farm Coalition*

Remarks and facilitated discussion between farmers, Congressional members and USDA leadership exploring the topic of what is needed to re-envision a more equitable and resilient food and farm system.

3:00 PM

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*Zach Ducheneaux, Administrator, USDA Farm Service Agency
Dewayne Goldmon, USDA Senior Advisor, Racial Equity
Gloria Montaño Greene, USDA Deputy Under Secretary, Farm Production & Conservation
Janie Hipp, USDA General Counsel
Katie Naessens, Senate Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee
Adam Tarr, Senate Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee
Moderator: Qiana Mickie*

Facilitated discussion with a panel of USDA experts, policymakers, and farmers across a range of topics, including racial equity, debt relief, credit, beginning farmers, competition, and climate change.

4:30 PM

Closing Remarks

5:00 PM

Adjourn

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