

## **OPEDA**

Organization of Professional Employees of the U.S. Department of Agriculture

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**OPEDA** invites you to join our organization and help us: (1) to cooperate with other professional groups in government to gain a more effective voice on behalf of professionals; (2) to secure credit towards retirement for all prior Federal-State service of USDA employees; and (3) to assure fair treatment of all USDA employees

Membership is open to all USDA employees and retirees regardless of age, sex, race, religion, nationality, or political affiliation.

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