

FARMER VETERAN AND REGIONAL FARMING RESOURCES

Farmer Veteran Coalition <http://www.farmvetco.org> Their mission is to “cultivate a new generation of farmers and food leaders, and develop viable employment and meaningful careers through the collaboration of the farming and military communities. We believe that veterans possess the unique skills and character needed to strengthen rural communities and create sustainable food systems. We believe that agriculture offers purpose, opportunity, and physical and psychological benefits.” They offer resources that include internships/apprenticeships, incubator farms, training programs and information on operating a business and farming resources. Their farming resources include a list of farms for sale and land for sale throughout the US.

Beginning Farmers www.beginningfarmers.org California based organization but they provide abundant links to national resources for beginning farmers as well as some tools to assist you in deciding if farming is the right career choice for you. They also offer a resource page on Military Farmer Veteran Training.

Veterans Farm www.veteransfarm.org Their mission is to help veterans reintegrate back into society through the use of their Beginning Farmer fellowship program. Based in Jacksonville, FL.

Feast Down East www.feastdowneast.org Offers annual training conference and community resources for connecting farmers with local restaurants and businesses to sell their food.

NC FarmLink www.ncfarmlink.org Connects Farmers, Landowners & Service Providers in North Carolina. Online listings of farm land available for lease as well as a resource list for framers.

North Carolina Cooperative Extension Offices
<https://www.ces.ncsu.edu/local-county-center/> Provides resources and support related to farming and gardening online and through local workshops.

RAFI www.rafiusa.org Cultivates markets, policies and communities that support thriving, socially-just and environmentally-sound family farms.

NC Farm Bureau <http://www.ncfb.org> Membership includes eligibility for discounts on insurance, travel, health care, banking, automotive and equipment. They have programs that include leadership development for young farmers, women's program, scholarships for rising freshman in agriculture studies, 2-year adult leadership program.

USDA Farm Service Agency <http://www.fsa.usda.gov> They offer conservation programs, disaster assistance, farm loan programs, financial management information, information on laws & regulations, and outreach and education.

NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services <http://www.ncagr.gov> They offer marketing programs, guides and publications, and grower programs. They have online resources related to good agricultural practice, dealing with weeds and pests, information on soil testing, and resources related to livestock, horses, aquaculture and poultry.

NC AgrAbility <http://www.ncagrability.org> They provide direct services to farmers, ranchers, farmworkers and their family members living with disabilities. They can recommend assistive technology (equipment, tools, devices), modified work practices or other adaptive solutions to reduce disability-related limitations.

North Carolina Agromedicine Institute <http://www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/agromedicine/> They are a University of North Carolina inter-institutional institute whose partners are East Carolina University, North Carolina State University, and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. They work to identify and address health and safety risks of farmers, foresters, fishers and their families and communities in NC and surrounding states. They offer resources that include risk management education.