



Connecting small-scale producers to low-income consumers through an online food hub

A Linkage and Leverage grant research project led by Associate Professor of Social Work Michelle Kaiser looks at how consumers and producers would be served by a food hub that connects small-scale area farms with underserved communities. Kaiser, along with collaborators at the Methodist Theological School in Ohio and Franklinton Farms, will publish their findings this spring in the *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development*.

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Ohio Microfarm Project receives \$170,000 investment from Schmidt Futures

InFACT strengthens its investment in the Ohio Microfarm Project (OMP) and opens up additional opportunities for Ohio farmers to access wholesale markets with a \$170,000 contribution from Schmidt Futures. These funds will be used to bolster and geographically expand the OMP's aims in accordance with the Alliance for the American Dream's commitment to increasing the net income of middle-class American families in credible and measurable ways.

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Join us for our Winter Affiliates Gathering -
Friday, February 7, from 3-5pm

In partnership with the Center for Urban and Regional Analysis (CURA), InFACT would like to invite you to join us for our winter's affiliates gathering on Friday, February 7, from 3-5pm, an afternoon reception following the Food Security and Healthy Community Speaker Series talk by guest lecturer Dr. Samina Raja (University at Buffalo).

Please feel free to attend the affiliates gathering, even if you are not able to attend Dr. Raja's talk. Food and beverages will be served.

[RSVP here](#)

For more information and to register for the Food Security and Healthy Community Speaker Series talk by Dr. Samina Raja (February 7, 12-1pm), [go here](#).

InFACT Linkage and Leverage grant applications due February 14

InFACT invites you to submit proposals for our Linkage and Leverage seed grant program. Linkage and Leverage grants aim to enhance interdisciplinary collaborations on issues of food availability, access and utilization. Teams of faculty, staff, students and external partners may apply. There will be three deadlines for proposal submission. Proposals for the second cycle of funding are due Friday, February 14.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

[OEFFA Conference](#) - Dayton, OH
February 13-15

[Kentucky Local Food Systems Summit](#) - Lexington, KY
February 26

[National Good Food Network Conference](#) - New Orleans, LA
March 10-13

[East Ohio Women in Agriculture Conference](#) - Massillon, OH
March 19

[Universities Fighting World Hunger Summit](#) - Lexington, KY
March 19-20

[National Farm to Cafeteria Conference](#) - Albuquerque, NM
April 21-23

[Urban Food Systems Symposium](#) - Kansas City, MO
June 4-6

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

[Organic Agriculture Research and Extension Initiative RFA](#)
Deadline: January 30

[Organic Transitions RFA](#)
Deadline: February 27

[AFRI Foundational and Applied Science Competitive Grants Program](#)
Deadline: multiple dates

[InFACT Linkage and Leverage Grants](#)

Deadline: multiple, Next Deadline: February 14

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