Building a Resilient Food System from Farm to Fork

AMS is leading USDA's response to the President’s Executive Orders to strengthen America’s supply chains and ensure farmers have greater opportunities to access markets and receive a fair return for their products. Since 2021, we’ve implemented new programs to build resiliency in the food system moving forward.

Created More, New & Better Markets
- $400M for Dairy Donation Program
- $100M+ for Dairy Business Innovation initiatives
- $25M for technical assistance to meat & poultry processors (MPPTA)
- $60M for small meat processors to access federal inspections (MPIRG)
- $300M for transitioning to organic initiatives
- Up to $4M for funding access to shipping containers

Built Capacity & Equity
- $400M to launch USDA Regional Food Business Centers
- $130M additional LAMP funding to support farm-to-institution initiatives
- $2.6M for research with 1890s institutions to improve grant access for underserved entities
- 9 projects launched to strengthen organic oversight

Increased Competition
- Proposed Regulations to modernize the Packers & Stockyards Act
- Stronger organic enforcement
- A Farmer Fairness portal with DOJ

Delivered Pandemic Assistance
- $350M to assist dairy farmers
- $100M in grants to support food businesses
- $700M to non-profits, state & Tribal governments for farm & food workers
- $51M to state & tribal seafood processors

Expanded Access to Nutritious Food
- $900M for states & tribes to help local & underserved growers & communities (LEPG)
- $200M for states to buy Local Food for Schools
- 6+ million boxes of fresh produce (The Emergency Food Assistance Program)