

Why Your Farm Should Support the Green New Deal

PROBLEM

America's farmers & ranchers don't get a fair shake

Lobbyists for corporate agribusiness wield undue power over America's food and farming policies. This concentration of power is responsible for policies that are bad for small and mid-sized farmers and ranchers, bad for the environment, bad for rural economies, and bad for the climate.

Family farmers are essential to producing healthy food, revitalizing rural communities, and combating global warming!

SOLUTION

A Green New Deal that includes good food & farming policies can level the playing field for small and mid-size farmers and ranchers.

A national coalition of farmers and ranchers for a Green New Deal will:

Collaborate on policy initiatives that support family farmers, not multinational corporations

Work to educate consumers about the difference between good food and cheap food

Educate members of Congress on the potential of regenerative ag to restore clean water, revitalize rural communities, and draw down and sequester carbon

Promote a regenerative farmer or rancher for the next U.S. Secretary of Agriculture



BENEFITS

Food & farming policies that support organic and regenerative farmers and ranchers lead to healthier people, more prosperous communities, and thriving ecosystems.

By helping to advance a Green New Deal with a strong focus on agriculture, you'll be part of the movement to:

Make family farming economically viable again through fair farm prices, economic incentives for soil conservation, and supply management

Make farming businesses less vulnerable to climate-related disasters

Restore soil health using practices like cover cropping, rotational grazing, agroforestry, and silvopasture

Rebuild local food systems and revitalize rural economies

Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and draw down and sequester carbon

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When America's family farms fail, rural economies
and communities **fail with them.**

America's Family Farms Are in Trouble

Midwest farmers are filing for chapter 12 **bankruptcy** protection at levels not seen for at least a decade.

The USDA projects negative median farm income of **\$1,316** in 2019, the lowest level (adjusted for inflation) since 2002.

The USDA reports that **2,731** dairy farms went out of business in 2018. Failure to enforce USDA organic regulations makes it nearly impossible for certified organic dairy farmers to compete against huge "factory farm" dairies that use their clout to gain organic certification despite failing to adhere to organic regulation.

Suicide rates in agriculture are **five times higher** than the national average—double the rate for military veterans, and 50% higher than during the 1980s farm crisis.

The decline we are experiencing in our rural farming communities is the direct result of deliberate policy decisions made by both political parties who favor multinational corporations at the expense of rural communities.

It doesn't have to be this way.

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