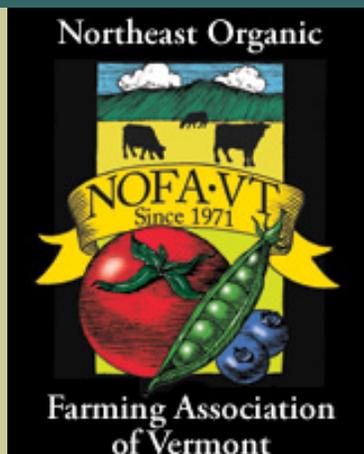


VERMONT WORKING LANDS ENTERPRISE INITIATIVE

Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont

Richmond, VT



The Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont is a nonprofit association of farmers, gardeners, and consumers working to promote an economically viable and ecologically sound Vermont food system for the benefit of current and future generations.

NOFA Vermont was founded in Putney in 1971, making it one of the oldest organic farming associations in the United States. Today, we are proud to have over 1300 members throughout the state and to certify over 580 farms and processors to the USDA National Organic Program Standards. We are passionate about increasing the acreage of certified organic land in Vermont while also increasing the access of local organic food to all Vermonters. All our programs strive to meet these goals, whether it involves working with schools to bring local foods into the cafeteria or providing business planning services to farmers to ensure their businesses stay viable.



Working Lands funds will be used for collaboration that will grow new farmers in Vermont by expanding two agricultural workforce development programs.

Total Working Lands Grant: \$38,361

Total Matching Funds: \$19,800