Farm Foundation, NFP

Bringing Stakeholders Together for Meaningful Discussions

Description	Farm Foundation, NFP is a public charity that serves as a catalyst for sound public policy by providing objective information to foster deeper understanding of issues shaping the future for agriculture, food systems, and rural regions. It does not advocate or lobby. Through conferences, workshop and Farm Foundation® Forums, the Foundation brings stakeholders together to discuss evolving issues, options to address those issues and the potential consequences of those options. Through its small grants program, the Foundation works to develop, disseminate and/or publicly present educational materials or scientific research findings which contribute to informed discussions and foster debate, bringing together all stakeholders to foster deeper understanding of issues affecting agriculture, food systems and rural regions. The Foundation addresses issues significant across the face of agriculture and rural America—regardless of geographic, livestock or crop boundaries. Its work focuses in six major areas: Agriculture in the Environment; Energy and Agriculture; Food, Agricultural and Trade Policy; Agricultural and Food System Productivity, Research and Technology; Food Quality, Safety and Consumer Perceptions; and Viability of Rural Regions.
Purpose	To serve as a catalyst for sound public policy by providing objective information to foster a deeper understanding of issues shaping the future for agriculture, food systems and rural regions.
Scope	National - United States
Primary Funders	About half of the operating budget of Farm Foundation, NFP is funded by earnings from the endowment of the trust, Farm Foundation, a separate supporting organization. The remainder of the budget is generated from contributions for specific projects, funding from unrestricted gifts made by individuals and corporations, and cooperative agreements with government agencies.
Participants & Key Collaborators	The Foundation's activities involve diverse participants and stakeholders including representatives of production agriculture, agribusiness, consumers, food retailing, academics, other foundations, NGOs, government agencies, rural communities and professional organizations.
Definition of One Health	None
Monitoring & Evaluation Strategy	Projects are evaluated on an individual basis.
Sources of Information	Farm Foundation Web site: http://www.farmfoundation.org/
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