

An Overview of CSREES



CSREES

Cooperative
State
Research
Education and
Extension
Service



Our Mission

To advance knowledge for agriculture, the environment, human health and well-being, and communities.



CSREES Portfolio of Funding Mechanisms

- **Competitive Programs**
- **Formula Funding**
- **Congressional Line Items**



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Strategic Goals

1. Enhance international competitiveness of American agriculture
2. Enhance the competitiveness and sustainability of rural and farm economies
3. Support increased economic opportunities and improved quality of life in rural America



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Strategic Goals

4. Enhance protection and safety of the nation's agriculture and food supply
5. Improve the nation's nutrition and health
6. Protect and enhance the nation's natural resource base and environment



Research

Research:

Scientific investigation or inquiry which results in the generation of knowledge



Research

Examples of “Research” Programs:

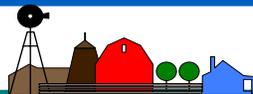
- National Research Initiative
- Small Business Innovation Research
- Biotechnology Risk Assessment
- Tribal College Research Grants Program



Education

Education:

- Formal classroom, laboratory instruction
- Practical experience in food and agricultural sciences
- Curriculum development, instructional materials and equipment
- Innovative teaching methodologies



Education

Examples of “Education” Programs:

- 1890 Institution Teaching and Research Capacity Building Grants Programs
- Hispanic Serving Institutions Education Grants
- Higher Education Challenge Grants Program
- National Needs Graduate and Postgraduate Fellowships Grants Program
- Higher Education Multicultural Scholars Program
- Higher Education International Programs



Extension

Extension:

An act or process that delivers science-based knowledge and informal educational programs to people, enabling them to make more-informed decisions



Extension

Examples of “Extension” Programs:

- Children, Youth, and Families at Risk Program
New Communities Projects
- National AgrAbility Project
- Youth Farm Safety Education and Certification
- Agriculture Risk Management Education
- Community Food Projects
- Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers



Integrated Research, Education, & Extension

Integrated:

To bring 2 or 3 components of the agricultural knowledge system (research, education, and extension) around a problem area or activity



Integrated Research, Education, & Extension

Some “Integrated” Programs:

- National Research Initiative
- National Integrated Food Safety Initiative
- Integrated Pest Management Program
- National Integrated Water Quality Program
- Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education
- Children, Youth and Families Education and Research Network (CYFERnet)



Which Program?

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Capacity Building

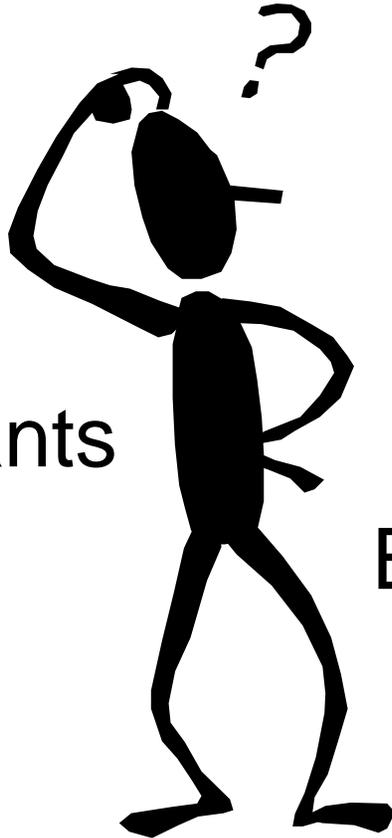
CYFERnet

Challenge Grants

Biotechnology

Risk Assessment

Multicultural
Scholars



Keys to Success!

- Check website: www.csrees.usda.gov
 - link to “funding opportunities”
- Identify appropriate program
 - relevance and eligibility
- Obtain and read RFA or other program materials
- Contact National Program Leader about fit to program priorities
- Offer to serve on peer review panels

