

# APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST

## NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

# 1890s Extension

*Greater funding needed for historically black universities providing educational services and extension to farmers, families, and communities.*

**T**he 1890 land-grant universities and Tuskegee University (the 1890 Institutions) have an integrated mission to conduct research, educate undergraduate and graduate students, and provide public outreach (Extension). The 1890s Extension program, is comprised of a broad range of science-based educational efforts which have been proven to:

- Strengthen the agricultural industry (especially small farmers) by developing agricultural production systems that are efficient, sustainable, and highly competitive in the global economy.
- Enhance the health of families through diet/nutrition and food safety education and their economic well-being through practical financial education.
- Foster strong, stable communities through leadership development efforts and encouraging entrepreneurship.

Although these Extension programs serve a diverse clientele, emphasis is placed on those with limited social and economic resources.

The primary funding source for 1890s Extension is the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), USDA's extramural science funding agency. NIFA funds are matched with state monies and some institutions also receive limited support from county governments.

**Congress recognized the enormous national value of the 1890s Extension program by providing modest increases in recent appropriations bills. A·P·L·U supports an FY 2012 funding level for this program that continues the modest growth trend from the last few years.**



### A·P·L·U PRIORITY REQUEST FOR F Y 2012

1890 Institutions and Tuskegee (Extension).....\$44.290 M

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- Agricultural diversification and marketing strategies to reverse the decline of small minority-owned farms.
- Risk management education that provides farmers and ranchers with tools to address risk related issues.
- Increasing viability and competitiveness of farms through sustainable practices.
- Improving nutrition, diet, and health of limited resource families with emphasis on reducing obesity.
- After school enrichment programs to enhance youth skills in science, technology, and math.
- Improving economic viability of rural communities.
- Protecting the environment/natural resource management.

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<b>Appropriations Bill</b>	Agriculture				
<b>Agency</b>	National Institute of Food and Agriculture				
<b>Account</b>	Extension Activities				
<b>Program Name</b>	1890 Institutions and Tuskegee (Extension)				
<b>Requested Amount</b>	<b>\$44,290,000</b>				
<b>Authorization</b>	7 U.S.C. 3221, (Sec. 1444, Research Act of 1977)				
<b>Description</b>	This NIFA program provides funding to support extension activities at the 1890 Institutions in order to provide useful, research-based educational opportunities that respond to the changing needs of limited-resource, minorities, and economically disadvantaged clients.				
<b>Benefits/Impacts</b>	<p>The 1890s Extension program benefits America by supporting outreach at the 1890 Institutions focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Agricultural diversification and marketing strategies to reverse the decline of small minority-owned farms.</li> <li>■ Risk management education that provides farmers and ranchers with tools to address risk related issues.</li> <li>■ Increasing viability and competitiveness of farms through sustainable practices.</li> <li>■ Improving nutrition, diet, and health of limited resource families with emphasis on reducing obesity.</li> <li>■ After school enrichment programs to enhance youth skills in science, technology, and math.</li> <li>■ Improving the economic viability of rural communities.</li> <li>■ Protecting the environment and natural resource management.</li> </ul>				
<b>Funding History</b>					
<b>FY 2011 President's Budget</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2009</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>	<b>FY 2007</b>
\$42,677,000	\$42,592,000	\$42,677,000	\$40,150,000	\$ 35,850,000	\$ 35,205,000
<b>Misc. Information</b>					
<b>Matching Funds</b>	By statute, eligible institutions are required to provide a match.				
<b>Final Recipients</b>	1890 Land-Grant Universities and Tuskegee University (the 1890 Institutions).				
<b>Note for Senate Offices</b>	Funding is not being requested for this program through another appropriations bill.				
<b>Additional Information</b>	<a href="http://www.land-grant.org">www.land-grant.org</a>				

