

2017 NCR-SARE Youth Educator Grant Program Projects Recommended for Funding

Project #	Project Title	First Name	Last Name	Primary Grantee	State	\$\$ Requested	Cumulative	Description
YENC17-108	Farm Towers: Urban Agriculture Goes Vertical	Ashton	Bohling		NE	\$1,999	\$1,999	In urban agriculture in the 21st century, we must learn how to grow more food with less land. One way of doing this is to grow up instead of out. Farm towers allow up to 50 plants to grow in 4 square feet. This is the future of agriculture.
YENC17-109	Prairie Farm Corps Youth Development Program	Shannon	McBride	Liberty Prairie Foundation	IL	\$2,000	\$3,999	Since 2009, the Prairie Farm Corps operates as a youth development program that offers paid job training on an organic farm for diverse teens. This year we will offer a paid internship to a Sustainable Agriculture student from Gateway Technical College to further their classroom education with practical farm experience.
YENC17-111	New City Farm Youth Gardening & Cooking Club Education Project	Alaina	Dobkowski	New City Neighbors	MI	\$2,000	\$5,999	High school student staff at New City Farm will share their knowledge of farming and farm to table cooking with middle and elementary school students through a gardening and cooking club.
YENC17-112	The Garbage to Garden Project: Providing Composting Services and Education	Kathy	Haste	Johnson County Soil and Water Conservation District (JCSWCD)	IN	\$1,320	\$7,319	The Garbage to Garden Project is a pilot program for Johnson County Soil and Water Conservation District to introduce a composting service in Franklin, Indiana, coupled with educational programs, which will improve soil health and tree care at Johnson County Park's fruit and nut tree grove.
YENC17-113	Edible Schoolyard Bedford	Jamie	Hooten		IN	\$1,998	\$9,317	Our project seeks to send three teachers from the North Lawrence Community School System in southern Indiana to an intensive five day training at the Edible Schoolyard Academy in Berkeley, California.
YENC17-114	Fun With Food Summer Camp for 9-12 year olds at Central College in Pella, Iowa	Thomas	Johnson	Central College	IA	\$2,000	\$11,317	Central College has a longstanding commitment to promoting sustainable agriculture in the following ways: promoting sustainable foods on our campus through academic courses, a college garden, dining facilities, partnerships with K-12 schools in Pella, as well as partnerships with assisted living facilities in Pella, the surrounding counties, and the Greater Des Moines area.
YENC17-115	Pioneer Pollinators	Jennifer	Johnston	Zane Trace FFA Organization	OH	\$969	\$12,286	Teaching youth about honey bees and pollinators
YENC17-116	Engaging Youth in Sustainable Farming and Benefits of Direct Marketing	Lauren	Kolojejchick-Kotch	Nebraska Cooperative Development Center, Buy Fresh Buy Local	NE	\$2,000	\$14,286	Provide first-hand experience with profitable, sustainable agriculture operations, value-added production and direct marketing at farmer's markets for students ages 15-22. Tours will give first-hand experiences with economic viability, ecologically sound practices and socially responsible sustainable farming and ranching practices in Nebraska.
YENC17-117	School-Farm Partnerships: Creating Natural Systems of Education for Food Production and Environmental Stewardship	Eric	Oglesbee	Good Shepherd Montessori School	IN	\$2,000	\$16,286	The proposed project increases Good Shepherd Montessori School's capacity to provide hands on training in sustainable urban agriculture and be a model program for other schools.
YENC17-118	Pondering Pollinators	Michael	Tosto	Allen Neighborhood Center	MI	\$2,000	\$18,286	Allen Neighborhood Center's Youth Service Corps, a program for 11-17 year olds, will conduct community service projects to increase access to sustainably-grown food in the Lansing area. Through beekeeping and their work in the garden they will study the relationship between pollinators and agriculture.
YENC17-119	Sustainable Agriculture Youth Workforce Development Program	Marnie	Record	Lincoln Land Community College	IL	\$2,000	\$20,286	Our project will establish a hands-on sustainable agriculture training program for low-income, disadvantaged community youth to introduce agricultural career exploration and self-sufficiency, life skills, and entrepreneurial training through management of a farm stand.