Resource Directory

Disclaimer:
Please note that the following lists are offered to assist farmers in searching for experienced providers of these services. Inclusion on this list is not an endorsement of any one or more of these service providers. We welcome suggested additions to this list.

*We recommend reviewing the New England-wide regional service provider and resource listings first, as they are not duplicated below for each state.*

**NEW ENGLAND-WIDE REGIONAL SERVICE PROVIDERS**

**Online Service Provider Listings:**
- Farm Transfer Network of New England: [https://farmtransfernewengland.org/providers/](https://farmtransfernewengland.org/providers/)
- Mass Woods: [http://masswoods.org/professionals](http://masswoods.org/professionals)
- Wildlands & Woodlands: Farm Service Providers Map:
  - [https://www.wildlandsandwoodlands.org/Farm-Service-Providers-Map](https://www.wildlandsandwoodlands.org/Farm-Service-Providers-Map)
  - Some local attorneys listed in the above links

**New England-wide Land Access & Transfer Services**
- Equity Trust: [http://www.equitytrust.org/](http://www.equitytrust.org/)
- Agrarian Trust: [https://agrariantrust.org/](https://agrariantrust.org/)
- Northeast Farmers of Color Land Trust: [https://nefoclandtrust.org/nefoc-network](https://nefoclandtrust.org/nefoc-network)
- American Farmland Trust: [https://www.farmland.org/initiatives/farmland-for-the-next-generation](https://www.farmland.org/initiatives/farmland-for-the-next-generation)
- American Farmland Trust Farm Information Center: [https://farmlandinfo.org](https://farmlandinfo.org)
- New England Farmland Finder: [https://newenglandfarmlandfinder.org/resources](https://newenglandfarmlandfinder.org/resources)
- National Young Farmers Coalition: [https://www.youngfarmers.org/land-access/](https://www.youngfarmers.org/land-access/)
- USDA New Farmers: [https://newfarmers.usda.gov/](https://newfarmers.usda.gov/)
- USDA New Farmers DISCOVERY TOOL: [https://newfarmers.usda.gov/discovery](https://newfarmers.usda.gov/discovery)

**New England-wide Financial Management, Business Planning & Advising Services**
- Farm Credit East: [http://www.farmcrediteast.com/](http://www.farmcrediteast.com/)
- Yankee Farm Credit (VT-only): [https://www.yankeefarmcredit.com/](https://www.yankeefarmcredit.com/)
- Dirt Capital Partners: [https://www.dirtpartners.com/](https://www.dirtpartners.com/)
- USDA Farm Service Agency: [https://www.fsa.usda.gov/state-offices/index](https://www.fsa.usda.gov/state-offices/index)
• American Farmland Trust: https://www.farmlandinfo.org/access-capital

New England-wide Land Management & Conservation Services:
• NRCS Financial & Technical Assistance Programs:
• Regenerative Design Group: https://www.regenerativedesigngroup.com/

New England-wide Legal Support
• Legal Food Hub: https://www.legalfoodhub.org/
• The Food Law Firm: http://www.foodlawfirm.com/

Other Grants/Funding Opportunities:
• Northeast Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education (Grants): https://www.nesare.org/
• USDA Microloans: https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/farm-loan-programs/microloans/index
• New England Grassroots Environment Fund: https://grassrootsfund.org/
• Farm Bureau Innovation Challenge: https://www.fb.org/land/ag-innovation-challenge-2020
• UNFI Foundation: https://www.unfifoundation.org/
• http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/socially-disadvantaged-groups-grant
CONNECTICUT

Land Access
- UConn Solid Ground Beginner Farmer Training Program: https://newfarms.uconn.edu/solidground/
- Connecticut Farmlink: http://www.ctfarmlink.org/
- New CT Farmer Alliance: http://newctfarmers.com/
- Green Village Initiative: https://www.gogvi.org/urban-agriculture-master-plan

Financial Management, Business Planning & Advising
- University of Connecticut Cooperative Extension: http://www.extension.uconn.edu/

Lenders:
- CT Department of Agriculture Business Development & Assistance: https://portal.ct.gov/DOAG/ADaRC/ADaRC/Agricultural-Business-Development--Assistance

Land Management & Conservation Services:
- Connecticut Association of Conservation Districts: http://www.conservect.org/
- Connecticut Department of Agriculture: https://www.ct.gov/doag/site/default.asp
- Connecticut Farmland Trust: http://www.ctfarmland.org/
- Weantinoge Heritage Land Trust: https://weantinoge.org/

Relevant Grants:

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Land Access

Financial Management, Business Planning & Advising
- University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension: Food and Agriculture Program: https://extension.unh.edu/

Lenders:

Land Management & Conservation Services:
- New Hampshire Association of Conservation Districts: http://www.nhacd.net/
• New Hampshire Department of Agricultural Markets & Food: https://www.agriculture.nh.gov/
• Monadnock Conservancy: https://www.monadnockconservancy.org/
• Southeast Land Trust: https://seltnh.org/

Relevant Grants:
• NH Farm Future Fund: http://www.cheshireconservation.org/nhfarmfuturefund

MAINE

Land Access
• Maine FarmLink: https://mainefarmlink.org/

Financial Management, Business Planning & Advising
• Coastal Enterprises, Inc.: http://www.ceimaine.org/
• University of Maine Cooperative Extension Program: https://extension.umaine.edu/

Lenders:
• Financing Resources: https://mainefarmlink.org/financing-grants-and-loans/
• Maine Farm Business Loan Fund: http://thecarrotproject.org/loan_programs/maine
• https://extension.umaine.edu/beginning-farmer-resource-network/find-resources-and-assistance/funding-your-farm-business/

Land Management & Conservation Services:
• Maine Association of Conservation Districts: https://maineconservationdistricts.com/
• Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry: Division of Agricultural Resources Development: https://www.maine.gov/dacf/
• Maine Farmland Trust: http://www.mainefarmlandtrust.org/

Relevant Grants:
• Chobani Dairy Grants: https://farmland.org/dairy-forward/
• Maine Department of Agriculture Conservation and Forestry grants: https://www.maine.gov/dacf/about/grants/index.shtml

MASSACHUSETTS

Land Access
• New Entry Sustainable Farming Project: https://www.nesfp.org/

Financial Management, Business Planning & Advising
• UMass Cooperative Extension Program:
- Community Involved in Sustaining Agriculture: https://www.buylocalfood.org/
- Beginner Farmer Network of MA: https://bfnmass.org/

**Lenders:**
- PV Grows Investment Fund: http://www.pvgrows.net/investment-fund/
- Massachusetts Farm and Food Loan Fund: http://thecarrotproject.org/loan_programs/massachusetts

**Land Management & Conservation Services:**
- Massachusetts Conservation Districts: https://www.mass.gov/service-details/conservation-district-contact-information
- MA Department of Agricultural Resources: https://www.mass.gov/orgs/massachusetts-department-of-agricultural-resources
- MA Division of Conservation Services: https://www.mass.gov/orgs/division-of-conservation-services

**Relevant Grants:**
- MA Department of Agricultural Resources: https://www.mass.gov/agricultural-grants-and-funding-programs

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**RHODE ISLAND**

**Land Access**

**Legal Support & Estate Planning**

**Financial Management, Business Planning & Advising**
- URI Cooperative Extension: https://web.uri.edu/coopext/

**Lenders:**

**Land Management & Conservation Services:**
- Northern Rhode Island Conservation District: http://www.nricd.org/
- RI Department of Environmental Management: http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/agriculture/index.php

**Relevant Grants:**

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**VERMONT**
Land Access
- Vermont Land Link: https://vermontlandlink.org/

Financial Management, Business Planning & Advising
- UVM Extension: https://www.uvm.edu/extension
- Vermont New Farmer Project: http://www.uvm.edu/newfarmer/
- Center for an Agricultural Economy: https://hardwickagriculture.org/
- Intervale: https://www.intervale.org/
- Vermont Farm to Plate: https://www.vtfarmtoplate.com/resources
- Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund: https://www.vsjf.org/

Lenders:
- Vermont Community Loan Fund: https://www.investinvermont.org/
- Vermont Economic Development Authority: https://www.veda.org/

Land Management & Conservation Services:
- Vermont Association of Conservation Districts: https://www.vacd.org/
- VT Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets: https://agriculture.vermont.gov/
- VT Conservation & Housing Board: https://vhcb.org/
- Vermont Land Trust: https://www.vlt.org/
- Vermont Pasture Network: https://www.uvm.edu/extension/sustainableagriculture/vermont-pasture-network

Relevant Grants:
- University of Vermont compilation: https://www.uvm.edu/wagn/?Page=funding_opportunities.html