

Food Systems Resiliency Spotlight Series Webinar #8

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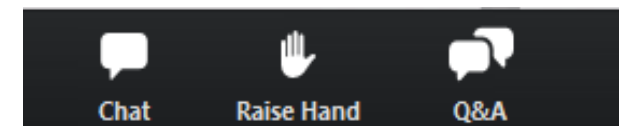
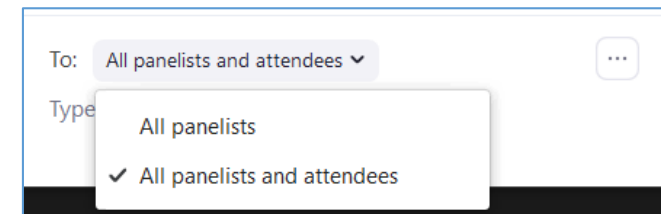
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UC ANR Strategic Initiatives
joint effort to **reimagine** our
food system



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Food Systems Resiliency

Series objectives:

Tour different parts of the Food System to:

- Improve knowledge and understanding
- Identify and share available existing electronic information (resource kits)
- Identify information gaps

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Resilience in Diversity: Adaptation Strategies in Local and Regional Food Systems

October 27
10 to 11am

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UC SAREP- MSU Collaboration

- COVID Rapid Response
- Collect, synthesize, and share successful adaptation strategies emerging in local food systems in CA and MI
- Partners: CAFF, Mandela Partners, San Diego Food Systems Alliance, UCCE, MSU's Center for Regional Farming Systems

Data Collection Tool

- Developed web form and database to collect and analyze adaptation strategies in local & regional food systems
- Major considerations:
 - Who is involved and what are their roles? (developing, implementing, funding, as intended beneficiaries)
 - Who is actually benefitting?
 - What are the determinants of success? (who does this work for? On what timeline?)
 - What are the equity implications? How are BIPOC farmers/communities involved / benefitting?
 - Is the adaptation scalable / replicable?

Next steps:

- Check in with partners, re-calibrate project
 - Continue without funding, scaled down OR seek additional funding
- Possibilities:
 - Hyper local focus – small scale and/or locally specific innovations and adaptations
 - Focus on long term impact of COVID, particularly on equity in food system
 - Integrate learnings into strategic planning / future projects

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Panel Discussion:

1. Of the adaptation strategies that you've seen or been engaged with, **what seems most successful so far?**
2. What are the **biggest gaps in support / unmet needs** you are seeing?
3. **What more could UCCE do** to be supportive of your efforts and the farmers you work with during this time?

Open Q & A

Polling question

Did the information provided improve your knowledge and understanding of how to potentially strengthen the food supply chain?

Yes definitely, somewhat, not much, does not apply

Polling question

Were the electronic resources new to you?

Yes definitely, somewhat, not much, does not apply

Polling question

Will you use information from today's webinar with your clientele?

Yes definitely, somewhat, not much, does not apply

Food Systems Resiliency Webinar Series #9

10 to 11 am

Farm labor during the pandemic: Critical links between essential work, farmworker health and food system resiliency

Registration at: <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=317805>



The Covid-19 pandemic has brought to light the importance of society's most essential workers in maintaining food system resiliency while also exacerbating many of the pre-existing structural challenges and inequities they face. Farmworkers, in particular, have experienced unique challenges in maintaining healthy, safe and sustainable livelihoods during the pandemic given dense living and working conditions, vulnerable legal status, and lack of equal protection under labor law. In this webinar, participants will learn about key findings from the Covid-19 Farmworker Survey as well as other innovative efforts to adapt farmworker research, outreach and policy work to the Covid-19 context.

Please join panel members Ildi Carlisle-Cummins, Executive Director, California Institute for Rural Studies; Nayamin Martinez, Executive Director, Central California Environmental Justice Network; Susana Matias, Assistant Cooperative Extension Specialist, UC Berkeley; and Erik Nicholson, Founding Partner, Pandion Strategy as they share resources on this key topic.