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THE HOUSE ORGANIC CAUCUS

The House Organic Caucus is a bipartisan group of Representatives that supports organic farmers, ranchers, and consumers by informing Members of Congress about organic agriculture policy and opportunities to advance the sector. By joining the Caucus, you can play a pivotal role in rural development while voicing your community's desires to advance organic agriculture in your district and across the country.

WHY JOIN THE CAUCUS?

- Organic, a \$43 billion per year industry, is the fastest growing sector in U.S. agriculture.
- Growing consumer demand for organic offers a lucrative market for small, medium, and large scale farms.
- Organic agriculture creates jobs in rural America.
- Currently, there are over 14,500 organic farms in the United States.
- Organic agriculture provides healthy food options for consumers.

WHAT DOES THE CAUCUS DO?

- Keeps Members informed about opportunities to support organic.
- Serves to educate Members and their staff on—
 - Organic farming methods
 - What the term "organic" really means
 - Organic programs at the U.S. Department of Agriculture
 - Issues facing the growing organic industry

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