

# AFRICAN GROWERS AND PRODUCERS ALLIANCE



## OUR PURSUIT

AGAPA is committed to sustainable farming, tapping into traditional and cultural knowledge and wisdom, and seeking modern technology and research.

Our initiatives go beyond farmer training and advocacy work.



## OUR PARTNERS

- Big River Farms
- Philadelphia Community farms - osceola
- Midwest Farmer Color Collective
- Emerging farmers office - MDA



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## ABOUT US

African Growers and Producers Alliance (AGAPA) is a black-led non-profit organization based in Minnesota. AGAPA is a coalition of seasoned and emerging farmers of African descent and their families who call Minnesota their home away from home.

We work to strengthen Farmers' collective power. We are committed to sustainable farming by tapping into our traditional cultural knowledge and wisdom, and modern research to grow to produce to feed our families and communities while preserving the environment.

## STATISTICS

Race	Percent of Minnesota Population	Percent of Minnesota Farmers
Hispanic/Latino	5.50%	0.58%
American Indian/Alaska Native	1.40%	0.16%
Asian	5.10%	0.36%
African-American/Black	6.80%	0.03%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.10%	0.02%
White	84.10%	99.16%
Multiracial	2.50%	0.26%

Source: Emerging Farmers' Working Group 2021 Legislative Report

According to Emerging Farmers' Working Group 2021 Legislative Report, African American/Black population only accounts for 0.03% of Minnesota farmers.

AGAPA is working to increase the participation of African population in farming and food production.

## OUR MISSION

To build an African-led network of farmers in food systems, that stewards cultural food systems and education, and creates space for healing and joy.

## OUR VISION

Creating food sovereignty, expanding farming spaces built on cooperation and interconnectedness with the environment and the community, and passing our knowledge and creativity to future generations.



We advocate for emerging farmers to access resources that help them produce healthy food and livelihood that builds a farming community that continues to future generations.