

FLORIDA ORGANIC GROWERS

Established in 1987 / Founded & Rooted in FL

QUALITY CERTIFICATION SERVICES (QCS)

- In 1989, FOG's certification program, QCS, was launched.
- QCS is accredited by the USDA's
 National Organic Program and by the
 American National Standards Institute
 as a certifying agent.
- 1211 clients in 19 countries and 39 states, including 203 in FL.
- QCS certifies crops, livestock, aquaculture, animal feed manufacturing, packing, handling, processing & wild harvest operations.

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OUR MISSION

Florida Certified Organic Growers and Consumers, Inc. supports and promotes organic and sustainable agriculture, wherein; we educate consumers, farmers, future farmers (children & youth), businesses, policy makers and the general public.

KEY STATISTICS

- Annual organic sales in the U.S.: \$43.3 billion.
- USDA organic-certified operations in FL: 456.
- Food insecure people in FL: 3.1 million.
- Florida child food insecurity rate: 28%.
- Florida's overall health ranking: 36.
- FAB markets in FL as of May 2017: 35.

EDUCATION & OUTREACH

- The Fresh Access Bucks (FAB)
 program is working to increase access
 to healthy produce and support FL
 farmers.
- We ensure the voices of FL farmers are heard in developing sustainable food and agricultural policy.
- Providing education, resources, programming, and opportunities through organic farming workshops for FL farmers.
- Developing community learning gardens and strengthening local food systems.

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2017 ORGANIC FOOD & FARMING SUMMIT

In celebration of FOG's 30th Anniversary, we are holding our inaugural state-wide Organic Food & Farming Summit. This three day summit is an opportunity for farmers to interact with innovators and leaders in organic agriculture and to gain knowledge & training through farm tours, workshops, a trade show, and day-long training

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opportunities.