

## **Funding and Resources for farmers and growers in the Kansas City area**

Location: Kansas City Community Gardens office building  
Address: 6917 Kensington, on the southwest side of Swope Park.  
Date: Thursday, October 25, 2007

### **Meeting Schedule:**

5:30 pm

Nadia Navarrete-Tindall, MU Rural Sociology  
Crystal Weber - MU Extension, Jackson County.  
Welcome  
Introductions  
Purpose of this meeting

5:45 pm

Dan Switzner -NRCS representative will talk about cost-share and other conservation programs

6:00 pm

Ron Highley –USDA Jackson Co. will talk about funding opportunities

6:15 pm

Stan Cook-MDA-Missouri Agricultural and Small Business Development Authority  
He will discuss ‘Value-added programs and loan programs for farmers’

6:45 pm Debi Kelly-MU Missouri Alternative Center

SARE Farmer Rancher grant and other related funding opportunities  
She will describe this grant, requirements and some tips for writing a proposal

7:00 pm Dinner

Open discussion-networking. Visit exhibits.

7:30 pm Representatives of Lincoln University, University of Missouri Extension, Alianzas, and other agencies will describe their services.

8:00 pm Open Forum

Attendees will be encouraged to express concerns and needs to improve their farming or growing operations.

8:30 pm Adjourn