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**AGRICULTURE PROJECTS FUNDED IN LOUISIANA**  
**by USDA's**  
**Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) Program**  
**1988-2008**

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Summary: Louisiana has received \$612,719 to support 18 projects, including six research and/or education projects, three extension projects and three producer-led projects. Louisiana also has received additional SARE support through multi-state projects.

State sustainable agriculture extension coordinator(s):      Owusu Bandele, Southern University  
    Carl Motsenbocker, Louisiana State University

<b>Project #</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>SARE support</b>	<b>Project Leader</b>	<b>Organization</b>
LS05-179	Defining the feasibility and environmental impact of applying poultry litter to forests of the Western Gulf region	\$14,520.00	Michael A. Blazier	LSU AgCenter
LS05-180	Expanding the Marketing Opportunities for Minority and Limited Resource Farmers in Louisiana and Mississippi	\$13,750.40	Anna M. Kleiner	Southeastern Louisiana University Southeastern Louisiana University
LS00-115	Establishing Sustainable Production and Information Exchange Systems for Limited Resource Farmers in Louisiana	\$167,526.00	Andrew Smiley	BREADA
LS99-103	Pastured Poultry and Vegetable Production: An Integrated Approach	\$89,800.00	James I. McNitt	Southern University
AS94-017	Transitioning to Sustainable Methods in Sugarcane Farming	\$15,000.00	Jackie Judice	Northside Planting Co.
LS89-016	Development of a Low-Input Multiple Cropping System for Small-Scale Farms	\$100,000.00	Owusu Bandele	Southern University, Louisiana

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

LST96-010	Sustainable Small-Scale Agricultural Development Training Project	\$25,701.00	Adell Brown	Southern University
LST96-009	Management Intensive Grazing: Foundation of Sustainable Agriculture in the South	\$33,762.00	H. Alan DeRamus	University of Southwest Louisiana
LST94-003	Management Intensive Grazing: Foundation of Sustainable Agriculture in the South (LST96-009)	\$63,461.00	H. Alan DeRamus	University of Southwest Louisiana

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<b>GRANTS TO FARMERS</b>				
FS08-222	Use of Crawfish and Crab Waste as an Organic Fertilizer and Protein Feed	\$10,000.00	Shane Carmichael	
FS00-107	Use of Winter Cover Crops and Summer Soil Solarization in Sustainable Vegetable Production Systems	\$9,981.00	Owusu Bandele	Food for Thought Farm
FS00-110	Impact of Louisiana Native Coastal Prairie Habitat on Beneficial Insect Populations	\$9,288.00	Terry Bordelon	
<b>Community Innovation</b>				
CS05-036	The Farmer as Entrepreneur	\$9,950.00	Mike Tarantino	Iberia Parish Industrial Development Foundation
CS04-022	Linking Small-Farm Agriculture to Community Development Efforts in Northern Louisiana	\$9,980.00	Elizabeth Higgins	LA Tech Univ Center for Rural Development
<b>Graduate Student Grants</b>				
GS08-071	Effect of sericea lespedeza leaf meal pellet supplementation on Haemonchus contortus infection in grazing ewes	\$10,000.00	Dana Pollard	Louisiana State University Department of Pathobiological Sciences
GS07-059	Effect of a grazing sericea lespedeza as a treatment padock for controlling natural nematode infection in lambs	\$10,000.00	James Miller	Louisiana State University Dept of Pathobiological Sciences
GS05-047	Effect of a condensed tannin containing forage (sericea lespedeza), fed as pellets, on natural and experimental challenge nematode infection in lambs	\$10,000.00	James Miller	Louisiana State University Department of Pathobiological Science
GS02-015	Evaluation and Characterization of Reaction Products from Ozonated Aflatoxin Contaminated Corn	\$10,000.00	Joan M. King	Louisiana State Univ. - Dept. of Food Science

## **Total funding from USDA SARE program to Louisiana = \$612,719**

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