
AGRICULTURE PROJECTS FUNDED IN PUERTO RICO
by USDA's
Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) Program
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Summary: Puerto Rico has received \$543,239 to support 15 projects, including four research and/or education projects, two extension projects and six producer-led projects. Puerto Rico also has received additional SARE support through multi-state projects.

State sustainable agriculture extension coordinator(s): Luis Mejia-Maymi, Univ. of Puerto Rico - Extension Services

Project #	Project Title	SARE support	Project Leader	Organization
LS08-212	Integrating tropical legumes with condensed tannins into ruminant grass-based diets for sustainable production	\$100,000.00	Elide Valencia	University of Puerto Rico-Mayaguez
LS04-162	Developing legume shade trees for Sustainable coffee production in Puerto Rico	\$195,298.00	Eduardo Schroder	Agronomy & Soils Dept
LS00-111	Structures of Sustainability: A Regenerative Model for Community Agricultural Development	\$19,678.00	Vivian Carro-Figueroa	Univ of Puerto Rico, Ag Experimental Station
LS95-072	Agronomic & Economic Benefits of Intercropping Bean with Banana	\$99,845.00	Lii-chyuan Liu	University of Puerto Rico, College of Agricultural Sciences

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

ES97-033	Alternative Sustainable Practices for Selected Crops in Puerto Rico	\$10,000.00	Miguel Monroig-Ingles	Agricultural Extension Service
ES97-035	Integrated Strategic Plan for Sustainable Agriculture	\$25,740.00	Hipolito O'Farrill-Nieves	University of Puerto Rico, Agricultural Extension Service

GRANTS TO FARMERS

FS07-213	Recycling Mushroom Spent Compost	\$8,027.00	Reed Hepperly	
FS05-193	Organic Farming in the Tropics with Legume Groundcover	\$8,107.00	Luis Miguel Rico	ReViBe

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FS03-172	Puerto Rico Shade Grown Coffee Project	\$9,956.00	Luis Miguel Rico	
FS99-098	Demonstrating the Benefits of Agroforestry Practices on Family Farms	\$6,704.00	Andre Sanfiorenzo	
FS99-095	Breaking the Herbicide Habit: Integrating Cover Crops with Herbicide Application	\$9,960.00	Rebecca Perez-Rosello	
FS95-028	Improving Tropical Soils by Utilizing Organic Wastes	\$10,000.00	Andre R. Sanfiorenzo	

Community Innovation

CS05-038	Puerto Rico PIG Project	\$10,000.00	Jose A. Torres Aviles	RC&D El Atlantico
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On-Farm Grants

OS07-033	Precious Indigenous Woods For Coffee Shade	\$14,967.00	Jose Aponte	El Caribe Resource Conservation & Development, Inc.
OS05-027	Coffee Seedlings in Forestry Tubes	\$14,957.00	Steven L. Welker	El Atlantico Resource Conservation & Development

Total funding from USDA SARE program to Puerto Rico = \$543,239

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