Beginning Farmer & Rancher Survey

The Kansas Rural Center has a rich history in supporting beginning farmers and ranchers and understands that as the times change so do the needs of this increasingly important, diverse group of hard working Kansans. KRC has recently received support to continue researching the needs of today's beginning farmers and ranchers, and deliver education and resources based on those needs. To kick off this work, we would like to distribute a short survey that collects some basic information about who today's Kansas beginning farmers and ranchers are and what some of their challenges may be to help us identify the areas of education, research, policy, or service resources we need to focus on.

Our targeted audience for this survey is beginning farmers and ranchers (as <u>defined by the USDA</u>) and those interested in farming or ranching but may not be doing so yet. We are looking for feedback from beginning farmers and ranchers of all circumstances practicing conventional and alternative methods.

Take this survey

Please assist us in capturing this valuable feedback by participating or forwarding this email to your network, family members, friends or those you feel would be interested in participating.

The deadline for survey completion is **July 10, 2013**.

Thank you for your valued time and feedback. Sincerely,

The Kansas Rural Center