SAVE the DATE for the next Twin Cities Metro Growers Network get together …

Program Updates from Your Minnesota Department of Agriculture!

-- December 9th, 4:00 to 5:30 --

Join us for a roundup of Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) programs that support metro growers, and a new opportunity in the Farm-to-School market!

-- Join in Online -- ZOOM Link HERE --
https://umn.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIqcu6rpzIrHtLWY4yOgEhvN8hct9XilX13
ZOOM instructions: https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-Meeting

Cost-Share Opportunities!
... with Minnesota Grown (Karen Lanthier, Program Manager), E-commerce / New Markets (Brian Erickson, Program Manager), and Organic / GAP (Cassie Dahl, Organic Specialist).

Grant Opportunities!
... with Farm to School First Bite Mini and Full Tray (Helen Schnoes, Regional Marketing Specialist) and Urban Ag, Safe at the Winter Farmers Market (Emily Mehr, Grants Specialist).

Food Safety Programs!
... with the Produce Safety Program (Alex Cortes and Lillian Otieno, Outreach).

PLUS!
... Minneapolis Farm to School Deep Dive with Kate Seybold, Farm to School Coordinator Minneapolis Public Schools Culinary & Wellness Services. Minneapolis is gearing up to launch the 2021-22 Farm to School Request for Proposals – learn more about this opportunity.

There are many programs through the MDA that metro growers can take advantage of. MDA staff will host this session to explain what is available and to answer your questions about eligibility. Learn about Farm-to-School, funding opportunities, produce safety and much more.

Do you have experiences with MDA programs? Farm-to-School?
Join the conversation!

Questions? Contact Network coordinator Karl Hakanson, Ag. & Natural Resources Educator, U of MN Extension-Hennepin County / khakanso@umn.edu

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