



USDA Center for Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships
LGBTQI+ Mental Health in Agricultural Communities

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

2:00 – 3:30pm Eastern

[Registration](#)

2:00 – 2:15 pm

Welcome and Leadership Remarks

Secretary Thomas Vilsack [pre- recorded remarks]

Samantha Joseph, Director, USDA Center for Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships

Matt Russell, Iowa - State Executive Director, USDA Farm Service Agency

2:15 – 3:00 pm

Panel: LGBTQI+ Mental Health in Agricultural Communities

Dr. Jac Wypler, Farmer Mental Health Director, National Young Farmers Coalition (moderator)

Anita Adalja, Founder, Not Our Farm

Bilal Sarwari, Group Facilitator, and Farmer

Josh Allen, State Outreach Coordinator - VT, LGBTQ+ Special Emphasis Program Manager, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Dr. Courtney Cuthbertson, Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

3:00 – 3:25 pm

Questions and Discussion

3:25 – 3:30 pm

Closing

Samantha Joseph, Director, USDA Center for Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships