## Resources - March 2023 Food Safety Plan Virtual Workshop



Developing a Food Safety Plan - Stop Running the Risk!

This two-part online event provided farmers and agriculture professionals a glimpse into the what, why, and how of Food Safety Planning when growing fresh produce for market. Bryan Brady, of <a href="The Food Connection at UK">The Food Connection at UK</a>, provided examples, resources and templates for on-farm food safety planning - and reminded Kentucky growers that he is available to make on-farm visits for help with food safety planning and improvements. Morgan Waldner and Tyler Goodlett, from <a href="Kentucky Department of Agriculture's Produce Safety Team">Kentucky Department of Agriculture's Produce Safety Team</a>, offered insight and clarification into the regulatory expectations and resources available from KDA. Maggie Dungan, of <a href="Salad Days Farm">Salad Days Farm</a>, and Ford Waterstrat, <a href="Sustainable Harvest Farm">Sustainable Harvest Farm</a>, shared their insights into how the food safety planning process benefitted and applied on their farms. Kristi Durbin shared the <a href="UK Organic Farming Unit's CSA">UK Organic Farming Unit's CSA</a> practices for developing and implementing Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) to provide all farm employees with consistent, clear, and food-safety-conscious steps for frequent tasks.

Here is a quick list of resources and reminders from this event:

- View a recording of our first session on March 21, 2023, visit <u>OAK's YouTube page</u>.
- Find all the resources in one location visit <u>this document</u> and <u>this folder of</u> resources
- Register for an upcoming PSA-FSMA Grower Training Course in Kentucky Reach out to <u>tyler.goodlett@ky.gov</u> or <u>paul.v@uky.edu</u> for future opportunities
- Contact Bryan Brady about free on-farm assistance with Food Safety planning and/or preparing for GAP Audits: <a href="mailto:bryan.brady@uky.edu">bryan.brady@uky.edu</a>
- Test your water for free with KYSU's Regional Water Testing Labs contact kevin.gurtowski@kysu.edu or john.thomas1@kysu.edu for more information
- Bonus: Explore Potential KY Funding Resources for Upgrading Harvest/Post-Harvest Equipment:
  - SOAR Farm Loans southern and eastern KY
  - KYSU Small Scale Farm Grant
  - o County Ag Investment Program (CAIP) Grant
    - Ask your County Extension Agent These grants are county-specific!
    - Check out the Food Safety And Efficiency Incentives Program