



Getting Connected

Resources for Hmong Farmers

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Washington State has strong Hmong farming communities, primarily in the Puget Sound and Spokane regions. Hmong farmers primarily grow vegetables and cut flowers and are known for their gorgeous flower displays at Washington farmers markets. This fact sheet is designed to help Hmong farm businesses find the information and resources to be successful. This fact sheet includes:

- Programs dedicated to Hmong farmers in Washington State;
- Washington State agencies for business, farm, and advocacy support; and
- National organizations with resources for immigrant farmers.

Programs Dedicated to Hmong Farmers in Washington State

WSU Small Farms Team Program and Resources for Hmong Farmers

www.smallfarms.wsu.edu/immigrant-farmers/hmong-resources.html

This program provides:

- Extension courses on business and farm management, followed by one-on-one counseling;
- Marketing workshops;
- “Farm walks” that promote hands-on learning and information exchange among producers and university specialists. Strategies covered include alternative pest management, soil and water management, and conservation; and
- A Hmong-language hotline; assistance accessing federal programs; sessions on completing loan applications; and support for farmer-led organizations.

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Washington State Agencies for Business, Farm and Advocacy Support

Office of Minority and Women’s Business Enterprises

www.omwbe.wa.gov

(360) 704-1187

Washington State Commission on Asian Affairs

www.capaa.wa.gov

(360) 725-5667

Washington State Department of Agriculture (WSDA)

www.agr.wa.gov

Please email smallfarms@agr.wa.gov

(360) 902-2057

Washington State Department of Labor and Industries (L&I)

www.lni.wa.gov

(800) 547-8367

Washington State Department of Licensing (DOL)

www.dol.wa.gov

(360) 664-1400

Washington State Department of Revenue (DOR)

www.dor.wa.gov

(800) 647-7706

Washington State Employment Security Department (ESD)

www.esd.wa.gov

National Organizations with Resources for Hmong Farmers

ATTRA – National Agriculture Information Center

Some publications have been translated into Hmong if you search for them.

www.attra.ncat.org

(800) 411-3222

Farmers’ Legal Action Group (FLAG)

www.flaginc.org

FLAG is a nonprofit law center dedicated to providing legal services and support to family farmers and their communities in order to help keep family farmers on the land. They have a specific section dedicated to resources for Hmong farmers: www.flaginc.org/publication/resources-for-hmong-farmers

National Hmong American Farmers (NHAF)

www.nhaf.org

Based in Fresno, CA and Washington DC, the NHAF is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving Hmong-American farm culture by promoting economic self-sufficiency for Hmong-American and other immigrant and ethnically underrepresented farmers.

National Immigrant Farming Initiative (NIFI)

www.immigrantfarming.org

Recommended Fact Sheets

1. Networks for Small Farms in Washington State
2. Resources for Spanish-speaking Farmers

For further information, to provide comments, or suggest a resource to add to this fact sheet, please email smallfarms@agr.wa.gov or call (360) 902-2888.