

OFARM Structure

Delegates to the annual meeting are elected by each member organization. One delegate will be allowed for each 10 members of an organization.

Representatives to the **Board of Directors** will be elected or appointed by each of the member organizations. The Board of Directors will elect a president, and vice president from the Board and appoint the secretary and treasurer. ***Producers elected to leadership and delegate positions must be certified organic producers who participate in the marketing programs of their organizations.***

The **Commodity Coordinating Committee** will serve as a first line of communications between producers and those responsible for marketing producers' organic products. The committee will be responsible for providing a reasonable procedure for producer input to establish pricing goals and policies.

**See our web site at
www.ofarm.org**

Contact Information

Midwest Organic Farmers Co-op (Illinois)
Kevin Brussell Telephone: 217/923-2702
E-mail: rainycrkbb@rr1.net
Website: www.midwestorganic.com

Organic Farmers of Michigan
Randy Hampshire Telephone: 989/683-3161
E-mail: hmpshrfm@avci.net

Organic Bean and Grain Marketing (Michigan)
Mark Vollmar Telephone: 989/673-6402
E-mail: mark@orbng.com
Website: www.orbng.com

Buckwheat Growers Association of Minnesota
Tom Bilek Telephone: 218/631-9212
E-mail: info@buckwheatgrowers.com
Website: www.buckwheatgrowers.com

Great Lakes Organic (Ontario, Canada)
Roger Rivest Telephone: 519/882-4526
E-mail: nlfarms@sprint.com
Beatrix Enter Telephone: 877/409-9917
E-mail: benter@greatlakesorganic.com
Website: www.greatlakesorganic.com

Kansas Organic Producers Association
Ed Reznicek Telephone: 785/939-2032
E-mail: amerugi@jbntelco.com

National Farmers Organization
LuAnn Robinson Telephone: 515/292-2000
E-mail: lrobinson@nfo.org
Website: www.nforganics.org

OFARM
Oren Holle, president
Telephone: 785/337-2442
979 Second Rd.
Bremen, KS 66412
oholle@kansas.net

John Bobbe, executive director
Telephone: 920/825-1369
9896 Co. Hwy D
Brussels, WI 54204
E-mail: jbobbe@itol.com



*The dawn of a new era in
collective pricing, marketing
and inventory by and for
North America's organic
farmers.*

Mission Statement

To coordinate the efforts of producer marketing groups to benefit and sustain organic producers.

Aims and Objectives

Strengthen the marketing programs of member organizations.

Inventory production and manage organic marketing in a responsible manner.

Exchange pricing and marketing information among member organizations.

Develop and support communications among organic producers.

Research, support, and enhance market development.

Assist producers and consumers in broadening their knowledge of organic marketing concepts.

Promote public policy, research and education in support of sustainable agriculture.

Member Benefits

Share reliable price information with other OFARM producer groups.

Develop reliable inventory information.

Remain current on markets and market trends.

Strengthen your position in the market by eliminating one-on-one negotiations with buyers.

Develop and monitor producer-friendly contracts.

Develop and monitor a list of sound, credit-worthy buyers for OFARM member groups.

Enhance opportunities to add new crops and agronomic practices to farm rotations.

Visit our web site
www.ofarm.org

How can I be part of OFARM?

Become a member of a marketing group already under the OFARM umbrella. This is an effective marketing network providing benefits for members. Check the contact list for these groups.

Get the communication started to get your group involved if your marketing group is not a part of OFARM.

Start a new marketing group. Producers in your area may need or want their own OFARM affiliated marketing group. OFARM can help you.

Only producers can be members.

The Capper-Volstead Act of 1922 gives qualifying farmers the right to organize to price their products. Qualifying farmers are "individuals engaged in the production of agricultural products who make the marketing decisions for that production."

By marketing together we are making a difference!