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Ohio State Welcome Pavilion at the 2024 Urban Food Systems Symposium

During the 2024 Urban Food Systems Symposium, Ohio State engages as one university with other urban food system scholars and community leaders. The pavilion features faculty, staff, and students from various colleges and centers, who engage with communities through education, research, and Extension. As a model 21st-century public, land grant, research, urban, community-engaged institution, Ohio State is uniquely positioned to make powerful and lasting contributions with urban food systems. A few examples from pavilion sponsors demonstrate the university's commitment to urban food systems and a spirit of collaboration.

The Ohio State College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) serves as the cornerstone college of the university and the primary host for the symposium. CFAES engages with people across the lifespan, with 11 academic units, 88 county Extension offices, 11 research stations, \$59 million in research expenditures, 33,000 volunteers, diverse partners, and more than 10,000 acres across the Columbus, Wooster, and statewide campus. With urban food systems, Ohio State professionals collaborate to address production, management, policy, water, waste, and other critical dimensions.

Ohio State's College of Public Health is ranked first in Ohio, 16th nationwide among public institutions, and 29th overall by U.S. News and World Report. The College consists of five Divisions: Biostatistics, Environmental Health Sciences, Epidemiology, Health Behavior/Health Promotion, and Health Services Management and Policy. The College is a research-intensive unit and offers the BSPH, MPH, MS, and PhD academic degrees across multiple specializations. The College is fully accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health.

Office of Outreach and Engagement (O&E) Engagement involves solving societal challenges through meaningful partnerships between faculty, staff, students, and the people and institutions of Ohio, the nation, and the world. The University Libraries' Knowledge Bank catalogs years of engaged scholarship related to urban food systems.

Ohio State Urban Food System Scholarship The pavilion highlights stories of Ohio's urban food community, 360-degree videos of Ohio's urban producers, and other Ohio State urban food system integrated teaching, research, and Extension.



Jill Clark, from the John Glenn College of Public Affairs, provides local, state, national, and international food policy leadership.



Kareem Usher, from City and Regional Planning at the Knowlton School of Architecture, focuses on urban food systems through community-engaged scholarship at the intersection of food access, social justice, regional governance, and community.



Chieri Kubota, from CFAES, serves as Director of Ohio Controlled Environment Agriculture Center – a 48,989 sq. ft. facility that provides a platform for interdisciplinary research at the nexus of horticulture, engineering, entomology, pathology, food science, computer science, and human nutrition/health.