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**Farmer and rancher led 501c3 organization  
with the mission of improving and  
protecting Kansas soil through farmer and  
rancher led education and resources.**



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# Farmer & Rancher Led, Focused, and Driven

- ▶ Michael Thompson, Chair - Almena
- ▶ Brice Custer, Vice-Chair - WaKeeney
- ▶ Lucinda Stuenkel, Secretary - Palmer
- ▶ Mary Howell - Frankfort
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- ▶ Darin Williams - Waverly



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Kansas Soil Health Alliance sees soil health from the grower's perspective:  
The need to achieve profitability in an ecologically sound manner  
Regenerate and restore soil productivity for future generations







## Purpose

### Inform

Locate, share, and develop farmer-proven soil health resources

### Connect

Bring together agencies, NGOs, food companies, and others to work together to educate and promote adoption of soil health practices

### Identify

Identify gaps in knowledge, resources, adoption and find ways to fill them

### Facilitate

Facilitate connections and conversations between farmers and ranchers

### Advocate

Advocate for small steps towards soil health for those who are new to soil health




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# Impact




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 Grazing Exchange

 Soil Health Survey

 Donate

Events

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Resources

Grower-to-Grower ▾

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Contact

## The Kansas Grazing Exchange Website is now live!

If you manage land or livestock, you can create an online listing to pair up with another Kansas farmer in a grazing exchange.

Learn More →

# Healthy Crops Start with Healthy Soil

Improve and protect your soil with farmer-to-farmer connections and resources



# Field Days and Workshops



- ▶ WaKeeney
- ▶ Hoxie
- ▶ Concordia
- ▶ Kismet
- ▶ Bucyrus
- ▶ Central Kansas Bus Tour
- ▶ Grainfield
- ▶ El Dorado
- ▶ Resource for others







# Presentations & Demonstrations

- ▶ Kansas Farm Bureau - Summer Jubilee and Annual Meeting
- ▶ Kansas Association of Conservation Districts Annual Convention
- ▶ Women Managing the Farm Conference
- ▶ Soil Health U
- ▶ Kansas Soil Health Partnership Forum
- ▶ MidAmerica Farm Expo
- ▶ Rainfall simulator
- ▶ Board member presentations



# Soil Health Surveys



- ▶ Learn who we're interacting with
- ▶ Find geographic gaps in our reach and soil health knowledge
- ▶ Help connect event planners with speakers
- ▶ Help connect growers with questions to growers with experience
- ▶ Use contact information to share soil health opportunities with respondents
- ▶ >200 surveys completed
  - ▶ 1% non-operating landowner
  - ▶ 5% student
  - ▶ 7% educator/researcher
  - ▶ 8% other (ex: farm employee, truck driver, insurance agent)
  - ▶ 9% agribusiness employee
  - ▶ 10% agency employee
  - ▶ 60% farmer/rancher
  - ▶ 7% - 1-199 acres
  - ▶ 9% - 200-499 acres
  - ▶ 17% - 500-999 acres
  - ▶ 29% - >4000 acres
  - ▶ 38% - 1000-3999 acres
  - ▶ Total acres impacted >250,000



# Soil Health & Water Quality/Quantity



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