

### KANSAS **Soil Health** ALLIANCE

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



### Farmer & Rancher Led, Focused, and Driven

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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























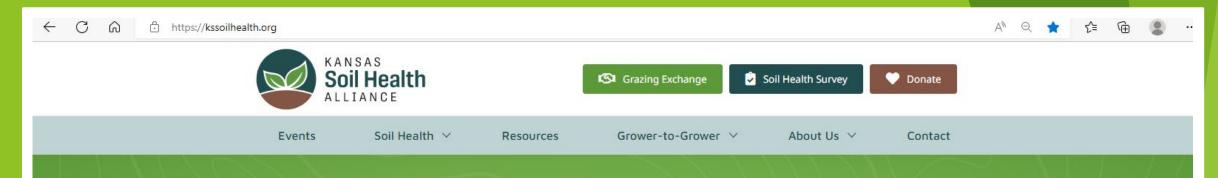
#### Purpose

Inform	Connect	ldentify	Facilitate	Advocate
Locate, share, and develop farmer- proven soil health resources	Bring together agencies, NGOs, food companies, and others to work together to educate and promote adoption of soil health practices	Identify gaps in knowledge, resources, adoption and find ways to fill them	Facilitate connections and conversations between famers and ranchers	Advocate for small steps towards soil health for those who are new to soil health



# Impact





#### 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  $\rightarrow$ 

#### **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

#### Booths

- Kansas Farm Bureau Young Farmer & Rancher - Manhattan
- Bottom Line Conference Lakin
- PrairieFood Forum & Soil Health Workshop - Pratt
- Kansas Association of Conservation Districts Annual Convention - Wichita
- No-Till on the Plains Winter Conference
  Wichita
- Kansas Natural Resources Convention -Manhattan
- Mid-America Farm Expo Salina
- Soil Health U Salina
- Kansas Ag Bankers Convention -Manhattan
- Grass & Grain Farm Show Manhattan
- Kansas Rural Center Conference Salina





### 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

