**Organic Farmers Association**

**2021 ANNUAL POLICY DEVELOPMENT SURVEY**

Each year, the Organic Farming Association asks all U.S. certified organic farmers and organic farm organizations to tell us your top policy priorities and positions. The OFA Policy Committee reviews the results, identifies the top priorities, and drafts policy statements from this broad-based solicitation to submit to all of our members for comment. These comments refine the draft policies, but only certified organic OFA farm members vote on the final policies. If you have not yet become an OFA farm member, please join today!

\* Please select the option that best describes you:

 I am a **certified organic farmer**

 I work for or serve in a leadership role with an **organic farm organization**

 Other (please specify)

### Are you currently a member of Organic Farmers Association?

 Yes  No

\* Please select the REGION in which your farm/organization resides.

* CALIFORNIA
* WEST (AK, HI, WA, OR, NV, AZ, ID, UT, NM, MT, WY, CO, KS)
* NORTH CENTRAL (ND, SD, NE, MN, IA, WI)
* MIDWEST (MO, IL, IN, MI, OH, PA)
* SOUTH (TX, OK, AR, LA, MS, AL, GA, FL, SC, NC, TN, KY, VA, WV, MD, Territories)
* NORTHEAST (NY, VT, NH, ME, MA, RI, CT, NJ, DE)

**YOUR POLICY PRIORITIES**

Please **SELECT THE TOP THREE** policy positions you think should be the HIGHEST PRIORITIES for Organic Farmers Association.

* Access to Affordable Land
* Animal Welfare Rule: Reintroducing the Organic Livestock and Poultry Practices Rule (OLPP)
* Beginning Farmer Support
* Climate Change
* Crop Insurance Improvements for Organic Producers
* Dismantling Corporate Consolidation within the Organic Market
* Expanded Organic Research
* Food Safety (FSMA implementation)
* Increasing Organic Farmer Diversity (supporting more BIPOC farmers (Black, Indigenous, People of Color))
* Labor & Immigration
* National Organic Standards Board (NOSB) issues and agenda
* NOP Enforcement to Ensure Organic Integrity
* NRCS: EQIP, CSP, CRP Programs for Extended Organic Support
* Organic Certification Cost Share
* Organic Dairy Standards & Enforcement (i.e., Origin of Livestock & Pasture Rule)
* Organic Import Fraud
* Organic Liaison at USDA
* Organic Production Market and Data Initiatives (ODI)
* Pesticide & GMO Contamination
* Prohibiting Containers in Organic Production (with the exceptions of transplants and plants sold in their containers).
* Prohibiting Hydroponics in Organic Production
* Prohibiting Sodium Nitrate in Organic Production
* Public Seeds & Breeds Research
* Water: Clean Water, Access, Etc.
* Other (please specify)

SUBMIT YOUR POLICY POSITIONS FOR THE POLICY COMMITTEE TO REVIEW

**If you have identified a policy priority or change to an existing OFA policy you would like the OFA Policy Committee to consider, please submit your policy concern(s) below. Please be specific.**

OFA Policy Proposal #1

Policy Topic/Title:

Recommended OFA Policy Position: Example: "OFA SUPPORTS...[description]."

More information about why this policy is important:

Could we have permission to contact you for more information about this policy?

### OFA Policy Proposal #2

Policy Topic/Title:

Recommended OFA Policy Position: Example: "OFA SUPPORTS..[description]."

More information about why this policy is important:

Could we have permission to contact you for more information about this policy?

## NAME & CONTACT INFORMATION

*(Your policy positions and priorities will be kept confidential & only shared as a group. If you have expert knowledge of and passion for a policy position, OFA staff may reach out to you for more information.)*

#### Name

**Farm Name/ Organization**

**Address**

**Town State ZIP**

**Email**

**Phone (Mobile preferred)**

* ***Please check this box if we can text you action alerts.***

**RETURN COMPLETED SURVEYS TO:**

Organic Farmers Association

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Spirit Lake, IA 51360

**ONLINE OPTION**

To complete this survey online, go to

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