

Thriving Farms and Ranches

Stronger Communities Through Agriculture

Thriving farms and ranches are the backbone of thriving communities. When farms and ranches are profitable, resilient, and supported—when they offer fulfilling lives to the families who run them—their success ripples outward. From the fresh produce and milk on our tables to the barley in our beer, behind every product is a producer. When that producer is thriving, so too is the local economy,

the environment, and the broader community. Strong farms provide jobs, sustain local businesses, and help maintain open space, clean water, and a healthy ecosystem. To support this vital connection, we need to invest directly in farmers and ranchers, strengthen their markets, make conservation a priority, and shape policies that help agriculture not just survive—but truly thrive.

AFT's Role in Thriving Farms and Ranches

AFT helps farmers and ranchers protect their land; adopt sound agricultural practices; gain support from peers; and plan for the future.



THRIVING FARMS AND RANCHES are profitable; have a secure land base; are resilient and able to sustain a farm family long into the future.



THRIVING COMMUNITIES are resilient; provide jobs and opportunities; protect working landscapes; and have a clean environment and healthy local food.

AFT's Role in Strengthening Communities

AFT helps communities advance policies to support agriculture; retain farmland, ranchland, and agricultural infrastructure; and expand agricultural markets.