



NATIONAL CENTER  
FOR APPROPRIATE  
TECHNOLOGY

# FISCAL YEAR 2023 Annual Report

The National Center for Appropriate Technology has been helping people build resilient communities through local and sustainable solutions that reduce poverty, strengthen self-reliance, and protect natural resources since 1976. NCAT is a trusted, practical connector for individuals and businesses who are working to leave our world better than we found it.

We do this work through a trusted knowledge base, providing individualized technical assistance, facilitating practical solutions, and connecting people with each other to support sustainable agriculture and clean energy systems.

Headquartered in Butte, Montana, NCAT has field offices in Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Montana, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Utah.

## — SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE —



### ARMED TO FARM

In 2023, NCAT hosted ten Armed to Farm training programs with **211** participants. Three were Armed to Farm 2.0 and two were Armed to Urban Farm. Over the last 11 years, **1,199** farmer-veterans from **47** states have become alumni of the program. In 2023, our staff reached more than **1,000** veterans through in-person and virtual workshops. **73%** of veteran trainees have started or are in the process of starting a farm.

**1,199** farmer-veterans



### WOMEN, LIVESTOCK, AND THE LAND

This project has empowered and equipped **233** women farmers operating grass-based livestock operations in the Southeast to expand knowledge and skills in topics from regenerative agriculture to business planning. The demand for these women-led, women focused programs has exceeded capacity thus far, and we anticipate that demand will continue to grow.

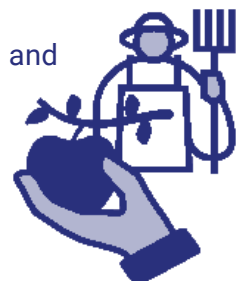
**233** women farmers

## SERVING HISPANIC AND LATINO FARMERS

*Cosecha Mensual*, our Spanish-language newsletter, was distributed to **3,045** subscribers a month. In 2023, more than **159** publications were available in Spanish – and nearly all of ATTRA’s practical publications can be listened to in a variety of languages.

Our Western regional office hosted the 8th

annual Latino Farmer Conference, delivered entirely in Spanish. It educated **275** participants about conservation practices and other topics pertinent to the Latino farming community. Over the last 8 years, **2,495** participants have attended this California conference and associated field days.



**2,495** participants



# ATTRA

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

1,061,410 trusted resources were accessed through our ATTRA Sustainable Agriculture website, which received nearly one million visits.

1,061,410 resources



Our videos sharing trusted and practical information about sustainable agriculture and energy were viewed **277,340** times.

277,340 views



Episodes from our podcast series *Voices from the Field* were listened to **44,045** times.

44,045 listens



Our team of specialists provided technical assistance to **35,927** farmers, ranchers, land managers, and educators.

35,927 clients

## — SUSTAINABLE ENERGY —



### LIHEAP

We manage the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Clearinghouse (LIHEAP), providing technical assistance to agencies and tribes serving those in need of help with energy bills. In FY23, the Clearinghouse website received **1.9 million** pageviews (731k total users).

1.9 million pageviews



### ENERGY SERVICES

Our Energy Services team helped Montana businesses, government agencies, and nonprofits save **180,709,632 kWh** of electricity, and more than **\$14.4 million** in energy costs over the life of the projects.

\$14.4 million in energy saved



### NEAR

Our National Energy Assistance Referral (NEAR) program helped over **235,000** households find local resources to pay their home energy bills.

235,000 households served



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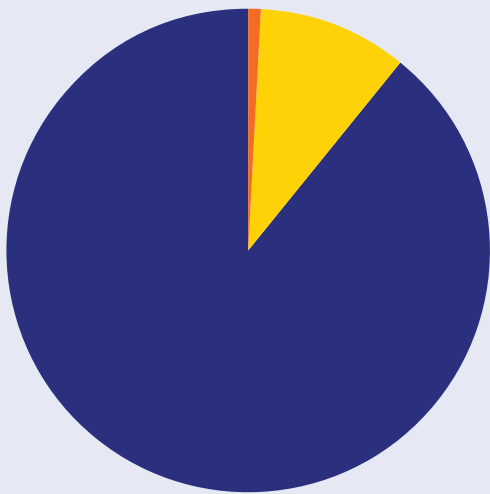
AgriSolar is the co-location of solar and agriculture. The AgriSolar Clearinghouse is an information-sharing communications hub that services an over **7,000**-member strong community of farmers, solar developers, researchers, and land managers. AgriSolar allows a space to harvest the sun twice, creates thriving solar ecosystems, helps keep farmers' lands in farmers' hands, and increases community resilience.

7,000+ members

# FINANCES

Total revenue from all sources:.....	\$8,867,100
Total expenses for all activities:.....	\$8,753,636
End-of-year net assets:.....	\$2,731,407
Program Expenses:.....	\$7,894,839
Sustainable Agriculture Programs:.....	\$6,426,905
Sustainable Energy Programs:.....	\$1,467,934
Administrative Expenses:.....	\$799,821
Fundraising Expenses:.....	\$58,976

Breakout by Program Expenses, Administrative Expenses, and Fundraising Expenses



■ Program Expenses.....	90.19%
■ General and Administrative Expenses.....	9.14%
■ Fundraising Expenses.....	0.67%

## CULTURE OF BELONGING

We are a multicultural organization that celebrates diversity as we partner with low income and historically underserved communities to reduce poverty, protect natural resources, and build resilient communities. We serve Black, Native, Latino and Hispanic, Asian-American and refugee communities and people of all races who are living in poverty. We are committed to serving vulnerable communities and partnering with them to develop sustainable food systems and energy solutions.



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