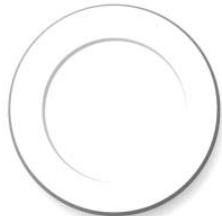


# Food Law and Policy Career Guide

For anyone interested in an internship or a career in food law and policy, this guide illustrates many of the diverse array of choices, whether you seek a traditional legal job or would like to get involved in research, advocacy, or policy-making within the food system.

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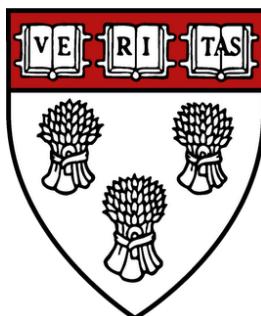
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# an introduction to food law and policy

Despite food's central role in our lives, it did not garner much attention from law and policy quarters until somewhat recently. From nutritional guidelines to food safety regulations to trade agreements, law and policy decisions play a role in determining how food is grown, processed, transported, and consumed. Attorneys who practice food law facilitate the operations of the food industry by advising clients about topics such as regulatory compliance, intellectual property, and trade. However, the growth of our food system has also produced new problems that can be dealt with at the legal and policy levels, creating many new and exciting roles for attorneys. With the growing obesity and type 2 diabetes epidemics and a widening gap in food access between those who can afford fresh food and those relegated to "food deserts," those with law and policy expertise are increasingly called upon to identify and pilot solutions to improve the food system.

This guide's goal is to present anyone interested in an internship or a career in food law and policy with a sampling of the diverse array of choices, from traditional legal jobs to research, advocacy, or policy-making positions within the food system. Whether one desires to work in a law firm, for government, for a nonprofit, or in academia, lawyers interested in improving the food system will find many opportunities to apply their legal and policy skills to topics as far-reaching as nutrition and global health, intellectual property, trade, environmental justice, and human rights. This career guide covers: universities that have developed specialty programs ranging from agricultural law to nutrition and food science; nonprofits that foster food policy change at the local, state, national, and international levels; government agencies established to protect the health and nutritional quality of our food supply; international organizations that advocate for farmers' rights worldwide; foundations that fund individuals taking a stand against hunger; and law firms that have mastered the business of food and agriculture and the intricacies of regulatory compliance.

Overall, this guide should serve as a resource to help you understand the range of opportunities available in the area of food law and policy. However, as this is a rapidly growing field, this guide is intended merely as a starting point. Since most of the organizations listed here are new to the field of food policy, some will not have permanent or ongoing employment opportunities. It is important to remember that because you are entering a new and dynamic field, you will need to employ a fair amount of creativity, flexibility, and innovation in order to find or shape the right position for you. This guide will help you to begin thinking about the right places to look, but make sure that you go beyond the guide to identify other organizations and agencies that currently work in food law and policy or that may have an interest in entering the field. Good luck in your search!

# guide to areas of specialization

To guide your search for the organization, job, or internship that suits your particular interests, we have created a list of “areas of specialization” and tagged each organization or entity. Though the list is not exhaustive and organizations may specialize in numerous other areas, we believe it will give you a good sense of which organizations focus on issues and programs that you may want to explore. Among the various entries and opportunities included in the guide, you should be able to use these terms as starting points to begin reaching out to the right organizations.

## Areas of Specialization

Agriculture/Agricultural Law	Food Systems
Animal Welfare	General Legal
Biotechnology and GMOs	Hunger/Food Security
Community Development	International
Disaster Relief	Labor
Economics	Land Use/Conservation
Education	Legal Advocacy/Litigation
Environment/Sustainability	Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease
Finance/Microfinance	Policy
Food Advertising	Public Health
Food Justice	Research
Food Labeling	Rural Issues
Food Marketing	School Food
Food Safety	Trade
Food Studies	Urban Issues

# **section one: universities**

Whether you are looking to work as a researcher or faculty member, or to pursue another degree, universities are at the forefront of research and activity around the food system and food policy. Working at a university department or program focused on food systems provides a wide range of opportunities in the field, ranging from food law and policy, to food science, sustainable agriculture, anthropology, and marketing. Because food policy is still a relatively new field, there may also be more job opportunities in universities that are starting to focus on food systems than there are in the other institutions covered in this guide. The cooperation between different university programs and departments makes academia an advantageous choice for staying at the forefront of emerging food law and policy issues, and the academic setting enables attorneys to engage in scholarly activity while undertaking projects and making a real-world impact.

University settings can also offer attorneys the opportunity to take an interdisciplinary approach to food systems issues, allowing them to combine their legal skills with other areas of academic and professional research, in areas as diverse as public health and nutrition, environmental impacts of agriculture, sustainability, governance, or regulatory change. Finally, working at a university department or program focused on food systems can provide the opportunity to take additional courses or enroll in a graduate program with a food system focus. This guide draws attention to food system programs at universities in the United States, but you may also find opportunities abroad, especially if you wish to concentrate on global food policy.

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## **Anthropology of Food**

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Description (from the website): The anthropology department at Indiana University has unique strengths and capabilities in the study of food. The PhD concentration in the anthropology of food draws on those strengths to offer students unparalleled training in the roles of food in (1) prehistoric, historic and modern societies, (2) human evolution and adaptation, (3) human health, (4) political economic relationships, (5) human-environment interactions including sustainability, (6) the representation, construction and maintenance of ethnicity, social class, and cultural identity.

Areas of Specialization: Food Studies, Food Systems, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

## **Center for Agriculture and Food Systems (CAFS)**

### **Vermont Law School**

164 Chelsea Street

P.O. Box 96

South Royalton, VT 05068

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[www.vermontlaw.edu/Academics/Environmental\\_Law\\_Center/Institutes\\_and\\_Initiatives/About.htm](http://www.vermontlaw.edu/Academics/Environmental_Law_Center/Institutes_and_Initiatives/About.htm)

Description (from website): The Center for Agriculture and Food Systems (CAFS) has a dual mission: to develop the next generation of sustainable food and agriculture law and policy leaders while providing legal and policy resources and solutions for citizens to build and support such systems. CAFS' approach to progressing sustainable agriculture and food systems is systems-based, as our name implies. We believe that in order to truly foster sustainable agriculture and food, we need to understand the connections these systems have to the environment, energy, human and animal health, labor, and climate change.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Education, Environment/Sustainability, Policy, Research

Employment: Including two-year LLM fellowship, see

[www.vermontlaw.edu/About\\_VLS/Employment\\_at\\_VLS.htm](http://www.vermontlaw.edu/About_VLS/Employment_at_VLS.htm) and

[www.vermontlaw.edu/Admissions/Tuition\\_and\\_Financial\\_Aid/Fellowships/Center\\_for\\_Agriculture\\_and\\_Food\\_Systems\\_LLM\\_Fellowship.htm](http://www.vermontlaw.edu/Admissions/Tuition_and_Financial_Aid/Fellowships/Center_for_Agriculture_and_Food_Systems_LLM_Fellowship.htm).

**Center for Animal Law Studies**

**Lewis & Clark Law School**

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cals@lclark.edu

[http://law.lclark.edu/centers/animal\\_law\\_studies/](http://law.lclark.edu/centers/animal_law_studies/)

Description (from website): Lewis & Clark Law School has been a leader and pioneer in the field of animal law education since 1992. In 2008, a historic collaborative effort between the Law School and the Animal Legal Defense Fund (ALDF) created the Center for Animal Law Studies (CALS). CALS educates and supports law students and legal professionals interested in animal law through classes, conferences, scholarship, and clinical opportunities.

CALS offers the most extensive animal law curriculum in the world. Students may choose from a wide variety of courses focusing on animal-related issues. Lewis & Clark law students may also specialize in animal law by earning an Animal Law Certificate. In addition, students may participate in Lewis & Clark's Animal Law Clinic, the Animal Law Review (*Animal Law*), the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund, the annual Animal Law Conference, and the annual National Animal Law Competitions hosted by Lewis & Clark Law School.

CALS also offers the first post-J.D. master of laws (LL.M.) in Animal Law. This program is designed for U.S. and international law school graduates who wish to focus on animal law in practice, teaching, research, or public policy.

Areas of Specialization: Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Animal Welfare, Research

Courses: See [http://law.lclark.edu/centers/animal\\_law\\_studies/curriculum/](http://law.lclark.edu/centers/animal_law_studies/curriculum/).

**Center on Food Security and the Environment (FSE)**

**Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies**

**Stanford University**

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Stanford, CA 94305

Tel: (650) 723-4581

Fax: (650) 725-2592

[http://foodsecurity.stanford.edu/research/food\\_and\\_nutrition\\_security](http://foodsecurity.stanford.edu/research/food_and_nutrition_security)

Description (from website): Stanford University's Center on Food Security and the Environment, a joint effort of FSI and Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment, addresses critical global issues of hunger, poverty and environmental degradation by generating vital knowledge and policy-relevant solutions. An interdisciplinary team of scholars accomplishes this mission through a [focused research portfolio, teaching program](#), and direct science and policy advising.

Areas of Specialization: Economics, Environment/Sustainability, Hunger/Food Security, International, Rural Issues, Trade

Courses: See [http://foodsecurity.stanford.edu/docs/fse\\_courses](http://foodsecurity.stanford.edu/docs/fse_courses).

**The Centers for Law and the Public's Health:**

**A Collaborative at Johns Hopkins and Georgetown Universities**

[www.publichealthlaw.net/index.php](http://www.publichealthlaw.net/index.php)

[www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/center-for-law-and-the-publics-health/](http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/center-for-law-and-the-publics-health/)

Johns Hopkins

Bloomberg School of Public Health

615 North Wolfe Street

Baltimore, MD 21205

[www.jhsph.edu](http://www.jhsph.edu)

Georgetown University Law Center

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Washington, DC 20001

Tel: (202) 662-9000

[www.law.georgetown.edu](http://www.law.georgetown.edu)

Description (from website): The Centers for Law and the Public's Health seek to: (i) serve as a primary resource on public health law for public health practitioners, lawyers, legislators, policy-makers, advocates, and the public; (ii) improve understanding about how the law affects the prevention of disease and injury through research, education, training, collaboration, and dissemination of information; and (iii) promote the development and implementation of an effective public health law infrastructure.

The Centers aim to develop core legal competencies in public health law and corresponding curricula, as well as new training materials as needed, and work with stakeholders and national partners to deliver training sessions and materials useful for public health practitioners, lawyers, legislators, and policymakers. The Centers conduct legal research and analysis in targeted areas relevant to public health law and policy, examine the public health law infrastructure and make recommendations for needed improvements, promote communication and collaboration among interest groups through our

web site and other communication mediums, and enhance the visibility and effectiveness of law as a tool for the promotion of the public's health.

Areas of Specialization: Policy, Public Health, Research

Courses: See [www.publichealthlaw.net/Courses/PublicHealthLaw.php](http://www.publichealthlaw.net/Courses/PublicHealthLaw.php).

**Center for a Livable Future (CLF)**

**Johns Hopkins**

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Fax: (410) 502-7579

[clf@jhsph.edu](mailto:clf@jhsph.edu)

[www.jhsph.edu/clf](http://www.jhsph.edu/clf)

Description (from website): The mission of the Center for a Livable Future (CLF) is to promote research and to develop and communicate information about the complex interrelationships among diet, food production, environment and human health in order to advance an ecological perspective in reducing threats to the health of the public and to promote policies that protect health, the global environment and the ability to sustain life for future generations.

CLF supports and conducts interdisciplinary research through collaboration with experts in a variety of fields; educates and trains students and professionals through doctoral fellowships, graduate courses and curricula; generates resource materials and providing technical expertise for policy, advocacy, and outreach initiatives; and partners with organizations that complement CLF's resources and expertise in order to improve our food system overall and strengthen local and regional capacity.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Public Health, Research

Courses: See [www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-center-for-a-livable-future/education/JHSPH\\_courses/](http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-center-for-a-livable-future/education/JHSPH_courses/).

Employment: Including staff positions, internships, student research assistant positions. See [www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-center-for-a-livable-future/get\\_involved/part\\_of\\_clf/](http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-center-for-a-livable-future/get_involved/part_of_clf/).

**Center for Regional Food Systems**

**Michigan State University**

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[foodsystems.msu.edu](http://foodsystems.msu.edu)

Description (from website): The mission of the Center for Regional Food Systems (CRFS) is to engage the people of Michigan, the United States and the world in applied research, education and outreach to

develop regionally integrated, sustainable food systems. CRFS partners with stakeholders across Michigan to advance the goals of the Michigan Good Food Charter and works to educate new generations to lead regional food systems research and practice.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Research

**Department of Food Science**

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[www.ag.purdue.edu/foodsci/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.ag.purdue.edu/foodsci/Pages/default.aspx)

Description (from website): The Department of Food Science is committed to impacting the world food system and quality of life by educating and training undergraduate and graduate students for careers in industry, government, and academia. Their mission is to expand and transfer knowledge for continuous improvement of the safety, quality, value, and security of the world's food supply through basic research and outreach programs. Department facilities include excellent research laboratories, as well as specialized facilities such as the sensory evaluation laboratory, pilot scale-manufacturing plant, student product development and innovation laboratory, and enology library for us to engage with the food and beverage industry and government partners.

Areas of Specialization: Food Studies, Food Systems, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

Graduate Admissions Process: See [www.ag.purdue.edu/foodsci/Pages/prospective\\_grads.aspx](http://www.ag.purdue.edu/foodsci/Pages/prospective_grads.aspx).

Employment: Including faculty positions and the Industry Fellows Program within the Food Science Graduate Program. See [www.ag.purdue.edu/foodsci/Pages/employment.aspx](http://www.ag.purdue.edu/foodsci/Pages/employment.aspx).

**Department of Community Sustainability (CSUS)**

**Michigan State University**

480 Wilson Road  
East Lansing MI 48824  
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[www.carrs.msu.edu](http://www.carrs.msu.edu)

Description (from website): The Department of Community Sustainability (CSUS) is a multidisciplinary department that focuses on combining the natural and social sciences to address contemporary issues of sustainability in agriculture, recreation, natural resources, and the environment. The Department of Community Sustainability (CSUS) was formerly called the Department of Community, Agriculture, Recreation, and Resource Studies (CARRS). The CSUS graduate program enables students to co-create personalized programs of study in four focal areas that represent the teaching, research and outreach interests of the CSUS faculty—[Community Food and Agricultural Systems](#), [Education and Civic Engagement](#), [Natural Resources and the Environment](#), and [Recreation and Tourism Systems](#).

Areas of Specialization: Food Systems, Environment/Sustainability, Community Development

Employment: For undergraduate internships, *see* [www.csus.msu.edu/undergraduate](http://www.csus.msu.edu/undergraduate), For Fellowships, *see* [www.csus.msu.edu/graduate/graduate\\_fellowship](http://www.csus.msu.edu/graduate/graduate_fellowship).

Graduate Courses: *See* [www.csus.msu.edu/graduate/graduate\\_courses](http://www.csus.msu.edu/graduate/graduate_courses).

**Drake Agricultural Law Center**

**Drake University Law School**

2621 Carpenter Avenue

Des Moines, IA 50311

Tel: (515) 271-2824

[www.law.drake.edu/academics/agLaw](http://www.law.drake.edu/academics/agLaw)

Description (from website): The Drake Agricultural Law Center provides opportunities to study how the legal system shapes our food system and influences the ability of the agricultural sector to produce, market and utilize agricultural products. The Drake Law School supports an array of courses, publications, conferences, and research initiatives, and created a certification program in food and agricultural law. Students learn about legal issues involving the full scope of food and agriculture, including marketing and finance; biotechnology; international trade; soil and water conservation; land use and environmental issues; food safety; and federal farm programs. The Center also hosts international law scholars to study food and agricultural law and policy in the U.S.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Food Safety, Food Systems

Courses and Careers: Including the Visiting Scholars program and the Summer Agricultural Law Institute. *See* [www.law.drake.edu/clinicsCenters/agLaw/?pageID=agCourses](http://www.law.drake.edu/clinicsCenters/agLaw/?pageID=agCourses).

**Food and Brand Lab**

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Description (from website): The Food and Brand Lab is an interdisciplinary group of graduate and undergraduate students from psychology, food science, marketing, agricultural economics, human nutrition, education, history, library science, and journalism along with a number of affiliated faculty. The Lab's research has driven the creation of the Smarter Lunchrooms Initiative and the Cornell Center for Behavioral Economics in Child Nutrition Programs—two programs devoted to the funding, conduction, and dissemination of research concerning children's health.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Labeling, Food Marketing, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Research, School Food

Employment: Including internships and research opportunities at the Lab, *see* [www.foodpsychology.cornell.edu/about/internships.html](http://www.foodpsychology.cornell.edu/about/internships.html).

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[www.chlpi.org/food-law-and-policy/](http://www.chlpi.org/food-law-and-policy/)

Description (from website): The Harvard Food Law and Policy Clinic (FLPC) was established in 2010 to link Harvard Law School students with opportunities to work with clients and communities on various food law and policy issues. The FLPC provides legal advice to nonprofits and government agencies seeking to increase access to healthy foods, prevent diet-related diseases such as obesity and type 2 diabetes, and reduce barriers to market entry for small-scale and sustainable food producers, while educating law students about ways to use law and policy to impact the food system. The FLPC engages a strong policy orientation as well as substantive expertise in the food system to assist a range of federal, state, and local clients around the United States—from Massachusetts to Mississippi—in understanding the legal and policy regimes that apply to food production and sales.

Areas of Specialization: Food Systems, Policy, Public Health, Research, School Food

Employment: Including internships and fellowships with the FLPC, see [www.chlpi.org/food-law-and-policy](http://www.chlpi.org/food-law-and-policy).

**Food Marketing Policy Center****University of Connecticut**

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Storrs, CT 06269  
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Description (from website): The Food Marketing Policy Center conducts research on food and agricultural marketing and related policy questions with the intention to provide information that can contribute to improved performance of the food production and marketing system. The Policy Center is primarily an economic research organization, yet it conducts interdisciplinary research when appropriate, and it communicates results to the public. Key users include farmer and consumer organizations, agribusiness firms, public agencies, state legislatures, and the U.S. Congress.

Areas of Specialization: Food Marketing, Economics, Policy, Research

**Food Studies Program****The New School**

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New York, NY 10011  
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Food Studies at The New School draws on a range of disciplines to explore the connections between food and the environment, politics, history, and culture. Our faculty of culinary historians, policy activists, entrepreneurs, and scientists provides students with the theoretical and practical tools they need to engage in the developing global conversation about food production, distribution, and quality and influence positive change in their own food environments.

The New School for Public Engagement offers full-term undergraduate-continuing education courses in culinary history, food policy, the food business, food and health, and food and culture. We also offer short courses and one-day workshops for working and aspiring food professionals. Throughout the year, we host lectures, panel discussions, and readings open to the public.

Areas of Specialization: Food Studies, Food Systems

Employment: Including part- and full-time faculty positions, see [careers.newschool.edu/](http://careers.newschool.edu/).

**Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy**

**Tufts University**

150 Harrison Avenue

Boston, MA 02111

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[www.nutrition.tufts.edu](http://www.nutrition.tufts.edu)

Description (from website): The School of Nutrition Science and Policy is the only graduate and professional school of nutrition in North America. Its mission is to improve the nutritional well-being of people worldwide through the creation of new knowledge, the application and dissemination of evidence-based information and the education and training of future leaders in the field.

This mission is fulfilled by bringing together experts from the areas of clinical nutrition, social and public policy, and biomedicine. Faculty at the school include biomedical scientists, economists, epidemiologists, nutritionists, physicians, political scientists and psychologists who focus on a myriad of issues with the common thread of nutrition and its role in fostering the growth and development of human populations.

Areas of Specialization: Food Studies, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy

Courses: See [www.nutrition.tufts.edu/academics/courses](http://www.nutrition.tufts.edu/academics/courses).

Employment: Including faculty positions, see [www.nutrition.tufts.edu/about/jobs-at-friedman](http://www.nutrition.tufts.edu/about/jobs-at-friedman).

**Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture**

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Description (from website): The Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture is a research and education center on the campus of Iowa State University created to identify and reduce negative environmental and social impacts of farming and develop new ways to farm profitably while conserving natural resources. The Center's work is focused in these initiatives: ecological systems research, marketing and food systems research, policy research, and cross-cutting research that bridges all areas (water, energy, soil and alternative farming systems).

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Food Marketing, Research

**LL.M. Program in Agricultural and Food Law**

**University of Arkansas School of Law**

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[www.agfoodllm.com/](http://www.agfoodllm.com/)

Description (from website): The LL.M. Program in Agricultural and Food Law is the only advanced legal degree program in agricultural and food law in the United States. The program offers the full spectrum of law and policy from "farm to fork"—from the perspective of the farmer, the processor, the retailer, and the consumer. Alumni of the LL.M. program currently work in 40 different states and 17 foreign countries, serving as leaders in private practice, government, agribusiness, public policy, and academia. They offer face-to-face instruction in a small classroom setting in combination with a new opportunity for distance education beginning Fall 2014. Unlike most other distance LL.M. programs, the Arkansas approach provides full integration between enrolled face-to-face students and their online classmates. Distance students can participate in core courses offered on campus through live video-conferencing with classroom capture and carefully designed online interaction. For the new distance students, the LL.M. classroom will be wherever they are, allowing them to maintain their job and residence elsewhere.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Food Systems, Policy

LL.M. Admissions Process: See [law.uark.edu/academics/llm/llm-admission-process](http://law.uark.edu/academics/llm/llm-admission-process).

**LL.M. and M.J. Program in Global Food Law**

**Michigan State University College of Law**

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[www.law.msu.edu/llm/globalfoodlaw](http://www.law.msu.edu/llm/globalfoodlaw)

Description (from website): Michigan State University College of Law's online Master of Laws (LL.M.) and Master of Jurisprudence (M.J.) degree programs in global food law are designed for lawyers and other professionals working in the food and agriculture industries, food safety, law, government, and other areas involving international food law. The LL.M. program is aimed at students who have earned a

Juris Doctor (J.D.), Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.), or other comparable law degree. The M.J. program is designed for those who do not have a law degree, such as doctoral students in other disciplines, policymakers, government officials, business executives, scientists, and other professionals. Students in this entirely online program will benefit from the close alignment between the Law College and MSU's College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, which co-sponsors an International Food Law Internet Certificate Program with the University's Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Food Labeling, Food Safety, Food Studies, Food Systems, Intellectual Property, International, Policy

Courses: See [www.law.msu.edu/llm/globalfoodlaw/reqs.html](http://www.law.msu.edu/llm/globalfoodlaw/reqs.html).

Employment: See [www.law.msu.edu/hr/job-postings.html](http://www.law.msu.edu/hr/job-postings.html).

### **New Jersey Institute for Food, Nutrition, and Health**

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

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New Brunswick, NJ 08901-8520

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[director@IFNH.rutgers.edu](mailto:director@IFNH.rutgers.edu)

<http://ifnh.rutgers.edu/index.html>

Description (from website): The New Jersey Institute for Food, Nutrition and Health will build on Rutgers' extensive and pioneering work in the fields of agriculture, food science, nutrition science, and human health. The institute, one of the signature initiatives of the university, will focus on society's pressing challenges in cardio-inflammatory disease, cancer, and obesity. Key Rutgers units in this university-wide partnership are the [School of Environmental and Biological Sciences](#) and the [New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station](#).

The Institute will benefit New Jersey communities - from educating a new cadre of professionals, to generating and disseminating new research, to formulating new policy related to food security and access, and implementing intervention programs based on the best available scientific evidence. By integrating these related areas, the Institute will serve as a national and global model by providing comprehensive solutions that will pave new ground on issues related to food, health, and nutrition.

Areas of Specialization: Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Public Health, Research

### **New York City Food Policy Center at Hunter College**

CUNY School of Public Health

2180 Third Avenue

New York, NY 10035

Tel: (212) 396-7710

[Sphinfo@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:Sphinfo@hunter.cuny.edu)

<http://nycfoodpolicy.org/about/>

<http://sph.cuny.edu/research/centers-institutes/>

<http://hunter.sph.cuny.edu/sph/hunter-college.html>

Description (from website): The New York City Food Policy Center develops intersectoral, innovative and evidence-based solutions to preventing diet-related diseases and promoting food security in New York and other cities. The Center works with policy makers, community organizations, advocates and the public to create healthier, more sustainable food environments and to use food to promote community and economic development. Through interdisciplinary research, policy analysis, evaluation and education, we leverage the expertise and passion of the students, faculty and staff of Hunter College and CUNY. The Center aims to make New York a model for smart, fair food policy.

Areas of Specialization: Food Systems, Hunger/Food Security, Policy, Public Health, Research

**NYU Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development**

**Department of Nutrition, Food Studies, and Public Health**

411 Lafayette Street

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New York, NY 10003

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kelli.ranieri@nyu.edu

[www.steinhardt.nyu.edu/nutrition](http://www.steinhardt.nyu.edu/nutrition)

Description (from website): The Department of Nutrition, Food Studies, and Public Health recognizes the fundamental importance of food and nutrition to human well-being and pleasure. Students gain practical expertise through [innovative coursework](#) that addresses 21st century needs and developments by drawing on the connections between what we consume and how we live. Graduates are prepared for diverse careers in non-profit, academia, and business.

The Doctoral Program in Food Studies offers an interdisciplinary approach to the study of food in its historical and cultural dimensions. Employing methods from the humanities and social sciences (archival, ethnographic, survey and semiotics), this highly selective program prepares students for teaching and research at the college and university level, as well as in institutions outside the academy. The curriculum is tailored to the particular research interests of each student. In consultation with an advisor and a doctoral committee, students develop their research projects.

The Doctoral Program in Public Health (now offered through the NYU Global Institute of Public Health) crosses disciplinary boundaries to address the world's most pressing health problems. Drawing from resources across NYU's schools, the Institute delivers truly interdisciplinary public health education at the undergraduate, master's and doctoral level. The Institute also supports cutting-edge and collaborative research on public health issues around the world. The GIPH builds on the global reach of NYU's unique Global Network University; draws strength from the entrepreneurial spirit of NYU's many talented faculty and students; and serves as a conduit for groundbreaking research and education that advances and promotes equitable health for all.

Areas of Specialization: Food Studies, Food Systems, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, Research

Courses: See [www.steinhardt.nyu.edu/nutrition/courses](http://www.steinhardt.nyu.edu/nutrition/courses).

Employment: For internship opportunities, see [www.steinhardt.nyu.edu/nutrition/internships](http://www.steinhardt.nyu.edu/nutrition/internships).

**Public Health Advocacy Institute**

**Northeastern School of Law**

360 Huntington Avenue

Suite 117CU

Boston, MA 02115-0000

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[www.phaionline.org/](http://www.phaionline.org/)

[www.northeastern.edu/law/academics/institutes/phai.html](http://www.northeastern.edu/law/academics/institutes/phai.html)

Description (from website): The Public Health Advocacy Institute (PHAI) is a legal research center focused on public health law. PHAI is committed to research in public health law, and to public health policy development; to legal technical assistance; and to collaborative work at the intersection of law and public health. Its goal is to support and enhance a commitment to public health in individuals and institutes who shape public policy through law. Its current areas of work include tobacco control and childhood obesity.

The Law and Obesity Project explores the use of the law in slowing obesity and reversing the epidemic of obesity-related diseases. The project examines the use of litigation, legislation, regulation, and other legal tools in conjunction with public health practitioners and policymakers. PHAI publishes widely in the area, works with policymakers and advocates, and hosts the annual Legal Approaches to the Obesity Epidemic conference.

Areas of Specialization: Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Public Health, Research

Employment: Contact PHAI directly for employment, independent study, co-op, and other internship opportunities.

**Public Health Law Center**

**William Mitchell College of Law**

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St. Paul, MN 55105

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<http://publichealthlawcenter.org/>

Description (from website): The Public Health Law Center (PHLC) is a national non-profit organization of law and policy specialists that help health leaders, officials, and advocates use the law to advance public health. Founded in 2000, PHLC is a preeminent authority in U.S. public health policy and a respected legal resource for dozens of local, state, national and international health organizations. PHLC creates and makes available an abundance of information and resources related to healthy eating and active living.

Areas of Specialization: Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Public Health, Research

**Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy**

**UCLA School of Law**

Box 951476

Los Angeles, CA 90095-1476

[www.law.ucla.edu/centers-programs/resnick-program-for-food-law-and-policy/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.law.ucla.edu/centers-programs/resnick-program-for-food-law-and-policy/Pages/default.aspx)

Description (from website): The Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy is dedicated to studying and advancing law and policy solutions to improve the modern food system. A national think tank at UCLA Law School, the Resnick Program develops key legal and policy research and tools to foster a food system – from the farm to the fork – that is healthy both for consumers and the environment.

The Resnick Food Law and Policy Program adopts a consumer orientation towards the modern food system. The Program recognizes that the modern food system affects the daily lives of all consumers and will shape health, economic, social, and environmental issues for generations of consumers to come. Taking advantage of its home in a global city of millions of consumers and diverse food cultures and in a state that grows more food than anywhere else in the world, the Program is uniquely situated to studying food law and policy.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Food Marketing, Food Safety, Policy, Public Health, Research

**Rudd Center for Food Policy and Obesity**

**Yale University**

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[rudd.center@yale.edu](mailto:rudd.center@yale.edu)

[www.yaleruddcenter.org](http://www.yaleruddcenter.org)

Description (from website): The Rudd Center for Food Policy and Obesity is a non-profit research and public policy organization devoted to improving the world's diet, preventing obesity, and reducing weight stigma. The Rudd Center serves as a leader in building broad-based consensus to change diet and activity patterns, while holding industry and government agencies responsible for safeguarding public health. The Center serves as a leading research institution and clearinghouse for resources that add to our understanding of the complex forces affecting how we eat, how we stigmatize overweight and obese people, and how we can change. The Rudd Center is a program of Yale University's Institution for Social and Policy Studies.

Its charge is to reverse the global spread of obesity; to reduce weight bias; and to galvanize community members, public officials, and advocacy groups to achieve positive, lasting change. The Rudd Center pursues its bold goals through: strategic science; interaction with key players in media, industry, and government; and mobilization of grassroots efforts. The Center stands at the intersection of science and public policy to develop innovative and effective measures to combat obesity and improve global health.

Areas of Specialization: Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Public Health, Research

Employment: Including professional vacancies and summer internships, see

[www.yaleruddcenter.org/who\\_we\\_are.aspx?id=17](http://www.yaleruddcenter.org/who_we_are.aspx?id=17)

**Rutgers Food Policy Institute**  
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[foodpolicy@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:foodpolicy@njaes.rutgers.edu)  
<http://foodpolicyinstitute.rutgers.edu/>

Description (from website): The Food Policy Institute (FPI) is an academic research unit of Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey. Founded in 1999, with the generous support of the Kellogg Foundation, Cook College and NJAES, FPI is the product of a collective vision of leaders from the food industry, government, consumer groups and university researchers. Our mission is to bring the depth of academia's knowledge to bear on pressing issues and challenges facing the food system by providing timely and relevant research that is responsive to the needs of government, industry and the consumer.

Areas of Specialization: Economics, Food Systems, Policy, Research

**Urban Food, Farm & Agricultural Law Clinic**  
**Michigan State University College of Law**  
610 Abbot Road  
East Lansing, MI 48823  
Tel: (517) 336-8088  
[www.law.msu.edu/clinics/food/index.html](http://www.law.msu.edu/clinics/food/index.html)

Description (from website): The Urban Food, Farm & Agriculture Law Practicum, administered as part of Michigan State University College of Law's Legal Clinic, is a multifaceted law school course committed to providing sophisticated counseling and transactional services to nonprofit entities or low-income persons developing or working in various phases of urban agriculture, primarily in Detroit, Michigan. The Practicum addresses a full range of urban agriculture law issues, and not only provides direct assistance to others, but also engages in research, policy development, educational outreach, and public programming. Enrolled law students are dedicated to obtaining the best possible outcomes for their assigned work, which occurs under the supervision of experienced legal professionals and faculty. Students work closely or partner with other participants in Detroit's urban agriculture setting to delineate, analyze, and resolve legal issues surrounding planned agricultural initiatives, as well as to ensure the development of accessible and wholesome food markets that will enhance the health of Detroit residents.

Among the types of legal matters the Practicum may address are: evaluating the language of current state legislation and municipal ordinances and their impact on urban agriculture endeavors; assisting those who wish to use urban land for agricultural purposes with environmental concerns; and, consulting with nonprofit entities working in the urban agriculture area about their legal needs and drafting legal documents as required.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Food Systems, Food Labeling, General Legal, Research, Urban Issues

**World Food Law Institute  
Howard University School of Law**

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[www.law.howard.edu/worldfoodlaw/index.html](http://www.law.howard.edu/worldfoodlaw/index.html)

Description (from website): The World Food Law Institute uses a multidisciplinary approach to promote social development in the agricultural and agribusiness sectors, emphasizing the importance of law and legal research. The Institute tries to improve the understanding of issues faced by the millions of persons living and working in rural areas around the world and to provide support for those seeking food security.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, International, Policy

## section two: government agencies

A range of different government agencies impact food law and policy issues at the federal, state, and local levels. Within these agencies, attorneys have the opportunity to either conduct research to drive new government policies or serve a more traditional legal role as legal counsel for a specific agency. Working in a government agency may allow you to take advantage of unique opportunities to influence and make policy by: drafting regulatory guidelines on topics such as nutrition or diet; conducting research programs to inform private and public decision-making on policy issues involving food, agriculture, natural resources, and rural development; shaping food safety education, policies, and regulations; and overseeing food benefit program eligibility and distribution. For attorneys who seek more traditional legal work, these agencies also have legal counsel offices that provide legal advice and represent the agencies in court proceedings and administrative hearings; participate in civil and criminal cases; draft pleadings, motions, and briefs; and take part in discovery and trials.

At the federal level, the primary agencies tasked with food policy duties are the U.S. Department of Agriculture (including, but not limited to, the Food and Nutrition Service) and the Department of Health and Human Services (which houses the Food and Drug Administration). Agencies such as the Department of Commerce, Department of State, and U.S. Agency for International Development allow attorneys to develop food policy at the international level. At the state level, many government agencies offer employment opportunities in food policy. State agencies have different names across states, but the main players in food policy generally include: the Department of Health, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Economic Development, the Department of Environmental Protection, and the Department of Education. Attorneys may also find many opportunities to work on food policy at the local level, through working with city council officials, the city board of health, or in the office of the city's food policy director (if the city is lucky enough to have one!).

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## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

### United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

*\*\*In addition to the divisions listed below, attorneys interested in working for the USDA may also want to look at the following divisions: Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Forest Service, National Agricultural Library, and National Agricultural Statistics Service.*

#### **USDA: Office of the General Counsel (OGC)**

DC Main Office  
Room 107 W, Whitten Building  
1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20250  
Tel: (202) 720-3351  
[www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OGC](http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OGC)

Description (from website): The Office of the General Counsel (OGC) is an independent legal agency within the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). OGC provides legal advice and services to the Secretary of Agriculture and to all other officials and agencies of the Department with respect to all

USDA programs and activities. All legal services are centralized within OGC and the General Counsel reports directly to the Secretary. The General Counsel is assisted by a Deputy General Counsel, a Senior Counselor, six Associate General Counsels, a Director of Administration and Resource Management, and four Regional Attorneys.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, General Legal

Employment: For regional office locations and contact information, *see* [www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OGC](http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OGC) (click tabs on the left-hand column).

### **USDA: Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)**

1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20250  
[www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/](http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/)  
[amsadministratoroffice@ams.usda.gov](mailto:amsadministratoroffice@ams.usda.gov)

Description (from website): The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) administers programs that facilitate the efficient, fair marketing of U.S. agricultural products, including food, fiber, and specialty crops. AMS provides standardization, grading, and market news services for those commodities. Through its commodity programs, AMS also oversees marketing agreements and orders, administers research and promotion programs, and purchases commodities for federal food programs.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Trade

Employment: Jobs are posted on USAjobs.gov. Links to available jobs divided by program type can be found at the following:

[www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/ams.fetchTemplateData.do?template=TemplateC&navID=Opportunity&topicNav=Opportunity&page=Opportunities&acct=AMSPW](http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/ams.fetchTemplateData.do?template=TemplateC&navID=Opportunity&topicNav=Opportunity&page=Opportunities&acct=AMSPW)

Internships: For student job opportunities, including student internships, *see* [www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/studentopportunities](http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/studentopportunities).

### **USDA: Agricultural Research Service (ARS)**

ARS Headquarters  
Jamie L. Whitten Building  
1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20250

ARS Headquarters Staff  
George Washington Carver Center  
5601 Sunnyside Avenue  
Beltsville, MD 20705  
[www.ars.usda.gov/](http://www.ars.usda.gov/)

Description (from website): The Agricultural Research Service (ARS) is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's chief scientific in-house research agency. ARS research is organized into National Programs divided by subject: Nutrition, Food Safety, and Quality; Animal Production and Protection; Natural Resources and Sustainable Agricultural Systems; Crop Production and Protection; Overseas Biological Control Laboratories.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Research

Employment: See [www.ars.usda.gov/Careers/Careers.htm](http://www.ars.usda.gov/Careers/Careers.htm) for information on a career with ARS.

**USDA: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)**

Legislative and Public Affairs Mailing Address

1400 Independence Avenue SW

Room 1147 South Building

Washington, DC 20250

Tel: (202) 799-7030

[www.aphis.usda.gov/](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/)

Description (from website): The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is a multi-faceted agency with a broad mission area that includes protecting and promoting U.S. agricultural health, regulating genetically engineered organisms, administering the Animal Welfare Act, and carrying out wildlife damage management activities. To protect agricultural health, APHIS works to prevent the introduction of foreign pests and diseases. To promote the health of U.S. agriculture in the international trade arena, APHIS develops and advances science-based standards with trading partners to ensure America's agricultural exports, worth more than \$50 billion annually, are protected from unjustified restrictions.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Biotechnology and GMOs, International, Trade, Research

Employment: For job postings and student programs, see  
[www.aphis.usda.gov/wps/portal/banner/careers](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/wps/portal/banner/careers).

**USDA: Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion (CNPP)**

3101 Park Center Drive

10th Floor

Alexandria, VA 22302

Nutrition Evidence Library:

Tel: (703) 305-7600

Fax: (703) 305-3300

[www.cnpp.usda.gov](http://www.cnpp.usda.gov)

Description (from website): The Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion (CNPP) works to improve the health and well-being of Americans by developing and promoting dietary guidance that links scientific research to the nutrition needs of consumers. CNPP is an agency of USDA's Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services. CNPP carries out its mission to improve the health of Americans by (1) advancing and promoting food and nutrition guidance for all Americans; (2) assessing diet quality; and (3) advancing consumer, nutrition, and food economic knowledge. CNPP helps define and coordinate nutrition education policy within USDA and translate nutrition research into information and materials for consumers; policymakers; and professionals in health, education, industry, and media.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, Research

Employment: Including internship positions for nutritionists, nutrition scientists, dietitians, economists, policy experts, see [www.cnpp.usda.gov/internships.htm](http://www.cnpp.usda.gov/internships.htm).

**USDA: Economic Research Service (ERS)**

(Street Address)  
355 E Street SW  
Washington, DC 20024

(Mailing Address)  
1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Mail Stop 1800  
Washington, DC 20250  
[www.ers.usda.gov](http://www.ers.usda.gov)

Training and Career Development: (202) 694-5111

Description (from website): The Economic Research Service (ERS) is a primary source of economic information and research in the USDA. ERS conducts a research program to inform public and private decision-making on economic and policy issues involving food, farming, natural resources, and rural development. ERS's highly trained economists and social scientists conduct research, analyze food and commodity markets, produce policy studies, and develop economic and statistical indicators. The agency's research program is aimed at the information needs of USDA, other public policy officials, and the research community. ERS information and analysis is also used by the media, trade associations, public interest groups, and the general public.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Research

Employment: See [www.ers.usda.gov/about-ers/careers-at-ers.aspx#.U1-2R\\_ldV8E](http://www.ers.usda.gov/about-ers/careers-at-ers.aspx#.U1-2R_ldV8E).

**USDA: Farm Service Agency (FSA)**

Public Affairs Staff  
1400 Independence Avenue SW  
STOP 0506  
Washington, DC 20250  
[www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov)

HR Headquarters  
1280 Maryland Avenue SW  
4th Floor, Suite 490  
Washington, DC 20024  
Tel: (202) 401-0089  
Fax: (202) 205-9004

FSA also maintains offices in each state. Find applicable state office at:  
[www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/stateOffices?area=stoffice&subject=landing&topic=landing](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/stateOffices?area=stoffice&subject=landing&topic=landing)

Description: The USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) serves farmers, ranchers, and agricultural partners through the delivery of effective, efficient agricultural programs for all Americans. The agency provides America's farmers with a strong safety net through the administration of farm commodity programs and ad hoc disaster programs. FSA also helps protect natural resources through the Conservation Reserve

Program. The agency provides credit to agricultural producers who are unable to receive private, commercial credit. FSA places special emphasis on providing loans to beginning, minority, and women farmers and ranchers.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Education, Environment/Sustainability, Finance/Microfinance

Employment: Jobs posted on USAJobs, *see* [www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/hrdapp?area=careers&subject=landing&topic=landing](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/hrdapp?area=careers&subject=landing&topic=landing) for employment information *and* <https://www.usajobs.gov/JobSearch/Search/GetResults?organizationid=AGFA&PostingChannelID=USA> Search.

**USDA: Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)**

1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20250  
[www.fsis.usda.gov](http://www.fsis.usda.gov)

FSIS Human Resources Office  
Butler Square West  
4th Floor  
100 North Sixth Street  
Minneapolis, MN 55403-1564  
Tel: 1-800-370-3747

Description (from website): The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is the public health agency within USDA responsible for ensuring that the nation's commercial supply of meat, poultry, and egg products is safe, wholesome, and correctly labeled and packaged.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Disaster Relief, Food Safety, Public Health, Research

Employment: *See* Career Opportunities at [www.fsis.usda.gov/Careers/index.asp](http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Careers/index.asp); Internships at [www.fsis.usda.gov/Careers/Student\\_Internships\\_Externships/index.asp](http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Careers/Student_Internships_Externships/index.asp).

**USDA: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA)**

1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Stop 3601, Room 2055-South Building  
Washington, DC 20250  
Tel: (202) 720-0219  
[www.gipsa.usda.gov/](http://www.gipsa.usda.gov/)

Description (from website): The USDA's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) facilitates the marketing of livestock, poultry, meat, cereals, oilseeds, and related agricultural products, and promotes fair and competitive trading practices for the overall benefit of consumers and American agriculture. GIPSA is part of USDA's Marketing and Regulatory Programs, which are working to ensure a productive and competitive global marketplace for U.S. agricultural products.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, General Legal, Trade

**USDA: National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)**

Waterfront Centre  
800 9th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20024  
Tel: (202) 720-4423  
[www.csrees.usda.gov/](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/)

Description (from website): The National Institute of Food and Agriculture's (NIFA) unique mission is to advance knowledge for agriculture, the environment, human health and well being, and communities by supporting research, education, and extension programs in the Land-Grant University System and other partner organizations. NIFA itself does not perform research, education, and extension but rather helps fund these activities at the state and local level and provides program leadership in these areas.

NIFA responds to quality-of-life problems such as: improving agricultural productivity; creating new products; protecting animal and plant health; promoting sound human nutrition and health; strengthening children, youth, and families; and revitalizing rural American communities.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Finance/Microfinance, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Research

Employment: For job openings, see [www.csrees.usda.gov/about/jobs\\_vacancy.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/about/jobs_vacancy.html); for information on student and summer employment, see [www.csrees.usda.gov/about/jobs\\_summer.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/about/jobs_summer.html); further information on employment, including international assignments and land-grant institution jobs, can be found at [www.csrees.usda.gov/about/jobs.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/about/jobs.html).

**USDA: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)**

1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Room 5105-A  
Washington, DC 20250  
Tel: (202) 720-7246  
Fax: (202) 720-7690  
[www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/home](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/home)

Description (from website): The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) was originally established by Congress in 1935 as the Soil Conservation Service (SCS). NRCS has expanded to ensure that private lands are conserved, restored, and more resilient to environmental challenges, such as climate change. NRCS works with landowners through conservation planning and assistance designed to benefit the soil, water, air, plants, and animals that result in productive lands and healthy ecosystems.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Research

Employment: Including professional vacancies, student programs, internships, and scholarships see [www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/careers](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/careers).

**USDA: Office of Congressional Relations (OCR)**

1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20250  
Tel: (202) 720-7095  
Fax: (202) 720-8077  
[www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OCR](http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OCR)

Description (from website): The Office of Congressional Relations (OCR) serves as the USDA's liaison with Members of Congress and their staffs. OCR works closely with members and staffs of various House and Senate Committees including the House Agriculture Committee and the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry to communicate USDA's legislative agenda and budget proposals.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, General Legal, Policy

Employment: See [www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OCR](http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OCR) for office contact information.

**USDA: Office of Tribal Relations (OTR)**

1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Room 500A, Whitten Building  
Washington, DC 20250  
Tel: (202) 205-2249  
[www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OTR](http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=OTR)

Description (from website): The Office of Tribal Relations (OTR) is located within the Office of the Secretary, and works to ensure that relevant programs and policies are efficient, easy to understand, accessible, and developed in consultation with the Native American Indians and Alaskan Native constituents they impact. OTR is the primary point of contact for Tribal issues within USDA. The Office works cooperatively and collaboratively across USDA to build an integrated approach to issues, programs, and services addressing the needs of American Indians and Alaskan Natives.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, General Legal, Hunger/Food Security

Employment: See [www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?contentid=contact-otr.xml](http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?contentid=contact-otr.xml) for contract information.

**USDA: Risk Management Agency (RMA)**

1400 Independence Avenue SW  
Room 6092-South  
Washington, DC 20250  
Tel: (202) 690-2803  
Fax: (202) 690-2818  
[www.rma.usda.gov/](http://www.rma.usda.gov/)

Description (from website): The role of USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) is to help producers manage their business risks through effective, market-based risk management solutions. RMA's mission is to promote, support, and regulate sound risk management solutions to preserve and strengthen the economic stability of America's agricultural producers. As part of this mission, RMA operates and manages the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC).

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Finance/Microfinance, General Legal

Employment: See [www.rma.usda.gov/aboutrma/opportunities/jobs.html](http://www.rma.usda.gov/aboutrma/opportunities/jobs.html).

**USDA: Rural Development (RD)**

1400 Independence Avenue SW

Room 205-W

Washington, DC 20250

Tel: (202) 720-4581

Fax: (202) 720-2080

[www.rurdev.usda.gov/Home.html](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/Home.html)

Tel: 1-800-670-6553

Description (from website): Rural Development's (RD) financial programs support such essential public facilities and services as water and sewer systems, housing, health clinics, emergency service facilities, and electric and telephone service. RD promotes economic development by supporting loans to businesses through banks, credit unions, and community-managed lending pools. It offers technical assistance and information to help agricultural producers and cooperatives get started and improve the effectiveness of their operations. It also provides technical assistance to help communities undertake community empowerment programs.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Finance/Microfinance, General Legal

Employment: See [www.rurdev.usda.gov/stateofficeaddresses.html](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/stateofficeaddresses.html) for state office contacts.

**USDA: Food and Nutrition Services (FNS)****USDA: Food and Nutrition Service**

3101 Park Center Drive

Alexandria, VA 22302

Tel: (703) 305-2017

[www.fns.usda.gov](http://www.fns.usda.gov)

Description (from website): The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) administers the nutrition assistance programs of the USDA. The mission of FNS is to provide children and needy families better access to food and a more healthful diet through its food assistance programs and comprehensive nutrition education efforts. FNS has elevated nutrition and nutrition education to a top priority in all its programs. In addition to providing access to nutritious food, FNS also works to empower program participants with knowledge of the link between diet and health. FNS works in partnership with the States in all its programs. States determine most administrative details regarding distribution of food benefits and eligibility of participants, and FNS provides funding to cover most of the States' administrative costs.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Finance/Microfinance, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, School Food

Employment: Local agencies, states, and FNS share the responsibility for operating the food assistance programs. This means that local agencies serve program participants directly, and the States guide their local agencies' activities. Federal employees in FNS provide overall direction, administer the funds, and monitor program operation. FNS employees work at the national headquarters in Alexandria, VA, in seven regional offices, and in field offices across the country. See [www.fns.usda.gov/hr/](http://www.fns.usda.gov/hr/).

Employment includes: program administration (Program Analysts/Specialists; Investigators), management (Accountants; Budget Analysts; Computer Specialists; Information Specialists; Personnel Specialists; Management Analysts; Contract Specialists), nutrition (Dietitians; Nutritionists; Public Health Nutritionists; Home Economists).

**USDA/FNS: Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)**

FNS Headquarters  
3101 Park Center Drive  
Alexandria, VA 22302  
[www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/care/default.htm](http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/care/default.htm)

Description (from website): Through the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), more than 3.2 million children and 112,000 adults receive nutritious meals and snacks each day as part of the day care they receive. Day care centers and home day care providers can participate in the program. CACFP plays a vital role in improving the quality of day care for children and elderly adults by making care more affordable for many low-income families.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Finance/Microfinance, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

**USDA/FNS: Disaster Assistance**

FNS Headquarters  
3101 Park Center Drive  
Alexandria, VA 22302  
[www.fns.usda.gov/disasters/disaster.htm](http://www.fns.usda.gov/disasters/disaster.htm)

Description (from website): FNS's Disaster Assistance coordinates with state, local, and voluntary organizations to provide food for shelters and other mass feeding sites, distribute food packages directly to households in need in limited situations, and issue emergency SNAP benefits.

As part of the National Response Framework, FNS supplies food to disaster relief organizations such as the Red Cross and the Salvation Army for mass feeding or household distribution. State agencies notify USDA of the types and quantities of food that relief organizations need for emergency feeding operations. FNS also authorizes States to operate a Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP).

Areas of Specialization: Disaster Relief, Finance/Microfinance, Hunger/Food Security

**USDA/FNS: Food Distribution Programs**

FNS Headquarters  
3101 Park Center Drive  
Room 504  
Alexandria, VA 22302  
Tel: (703) 305-2680  
Fax: (703) 305-2420  
[fdd-psb@fns.usda.gov](mailto:fdd-psb@fns.usda.gov)  
[www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/](http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/)

Description (from website): FNS's Food Distribution Programs strengthen the nutrition safety net through USDA foods distribution and other nutrition assistance to low-income families, emergency feeding programs, Indian Reservations, and the elderly. USDA purchases commodities to remove surpluses from the marketplace and delivers them through the food distribution programs to State agencies.

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, School Food

Employment: Contact the Food Distribution Division of FNS at [fdd-psb@fns.usda.gov](mailto:fdd-psb@fns.usda.gov).

**USDA/FNS: Child Nutrition Programs (school meals)**

FNS Headquarters  
3101 Park Center Drive  
Alexandria, VA 22302  
[www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/](http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/)

Description (from website): FNS's Child Nutrition Programs provide meals and snacks to the nation's children through the National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program, the Special Milk Program, and the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, School Food

**USDA/FNS: Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)**

FNS Headquarters  
3101 Park Center Drive  
Alexandria, VA 22302  
[www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/summer/](http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/summer/)

Description (from website): The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) was established to ensure that low-income children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is not in session. SFSP provides free meals that meet federal nutrition guidelines to all children 18 years old and under at approved SFSP sites in areas with significant concentrations of low-income children.

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

**USDA/FNS: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)**

FNS Headquarters  
3101 Park Center Drive  
Suite 808  
Alexandria, VA 22302  
Tel: (800) 221-5689  
[www.fns.usda.gov/snap/](http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/)

Description (from website): FNS's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as the Food Stamp Program, offers nutrition assistance to millions of eligible, low-income individuals and families and provides economic benefits to communities. FNS works with State agencies, nutrition educators, and neighborhood and faith-based organizations to ensure that those eligible for nutrition assistance can make informed decisions about applying for the program and can access benefits. FNS also works with State partners and the retail community to improve program administration and ensure program integrity.

Areas of Specialization: Disaster Relief, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

Employment: See [www.fns.usda.gov/snap/contact\\_info/default.htm](http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/contact_info/default.htm) for contact information for FNS headquarters and regional offices and for local SNAP offices.

### **USDA/FNS: Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program**

Food and Nutrition Service, USDA  
3101 Park Center Drive  
Room 520  
Alexandria, VA 22302  
Tel: (703) 305-2746  
Fax: (703) 305-2196  
[www.fns.usda.gov/wic/](http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/)

Description (from website): The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program provides food, nutrition counseling, and access to health services to low-income women, infants, and children. WIC provides federal grants to states for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, and to infants and children who are found to be at nutritional risk.

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

Employment: FNS administers the WIC Program at the Federal level. State agencies, including the 50 States, 5 territories, and 32 Indian Tribal Organizations, administer the WIC Program at the State level. There is not one place that lists all of the Federal, State, and local openings related to the WIC Program.

Federal job openings are listed on the website of the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), located at [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov). To apply at State WIC agencies, to work in the WIC Program at the State or local level, contact the State agency directly. The mailing addresses, websites, and phone/fax numbers are located at [www.fns.usda.gov/wic/Contacts/statealpha.HTM](http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/Contacts/statealpha.HTM). Many of the State agencies have websites that list job openings and instructions on how to apply.

## **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)**

### **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

200 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20201  
Tel: (877) 696-6775  
[www.hhs.gov](http://www.hhs.gov)

Description (from website): The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is the federal government's principal agency for protecting the health of all Americans and providing essential human services, especially for those who are least able to help themselves. HHS works closely with state and local governments, and many HHS-funded services are provided at the local level by state or county agencies, or through private sector grantees. HHS's programs are administered by eleven operating divisions, including eight agencies in the U.S. Public Health Service and three human services agencies. The department includes more than 300 programs, covering a wide spectrum of activities.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, Research

Employment: See [www.hhs.gov/careers/jobs/findjob.html](http://www.hhs.gov/careers/jobs/findjob.html).

### **HHS: Office of the General Counsel (OGC)**

200 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20201

Tel: (202) 690-7741  
Fax: (202) 690-7998  
[www.hhs.gov/ogc/](http://www.hhs.gov/ogc/)

Description (from website): The Office of the General Counsel (OGC), the legal team for HHS, provides quality representation and legal advice on a wide range of highly visible national issues. OGC supports the development and implementation of the Department's programs by providing the highest quality legal services to the Secretary of HHS and the organization's various agencies and divisions.

With a team of over 400 attorneys and a comprehensive support staff, OGC is one of the largest and most diverse and talented law offices in the country. Many OGC lawyers are heavily involved in administrative and federal court litigation. In collaboration with the Department of Justice, OGC attorneys may have primary responsibility for complex district court and appellate litigation, trying cases and arguing appeals in the initial years of service. The OGC team also reviews proposed regulations and legislation affecting significant issues of health and human services.

Divisions:

- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Division—Provides comprehensive legal services to the agency responsible for administering Medicare, Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Programs.
- Children, Families, and Aging Division—Provides legal support in such areas as Head Start, child support enforcement, child abuse and neglect, foster care, adoption assistance, temporary assistance to needy families, and matters pertaining to senior citizens.
- Civil Rights Division—Advises the HHS Office for Civil Rights staff on policy development, for example, medical records and privacy issues, as well as the conduct of civil rights investigations, enforcement proceedings and civil rights litigation.
- Ethics Division—Provides advice and training to all HHS employees on Government ethics statutes and regulations, working closely with the White House Counsel and the U.S. Office of Government Ethics.
- Food and Drug Division—Offers a full range of legal services to the Food and Drug Administration, specifically in implementing and defending the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.
- General Law Division—Provides legal advice and litigation support for matters such as appropriations, copyright law, Federal Tort Claims Act (including medical malpractice), the Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act, federal contract law, personnel law, equal employment opportunity, and labor relations.
- Legislation Division—Drafts and analyzes bills affecting HHS programs while collaborating with other federal organizations on department-relevant bills introduced in Congress.
- Public Health Division—Advises the Public Health Service, which includes the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Indian Health Service (IHS), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), on a myriad of issues including medical and biological research, women's health, and Native American health.
- Across the Nation—Ten regional offices provide comprehensive litigation services, legal advice, and counseling in virtually every area of the Department of Health and Human Services' programs, including Medicare and Medicaid, Head Start, civil rights, ethics, personnel, and contract matters. Located in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Kansas City, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Seattle.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Labeling, Food Safety, General Legal, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Policy, Public Health, Research

Employment: For information about where to apply for full-time employment and summer internships see [www.hhs.gov/ogc/careers/apply.html](http://www.hhs.gov/ogc/careers/apply.html).

**HHS: Centers for Disease Control (CDC)**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
1600 Clifton Road  
Atlanta, GA 30333  
Tel: (800) 232-4636  
[cdcinfo@cdc.gov](mailto:cdcinfo@cdc.gov)  
[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

Description (from website): The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is charged with protecting public health and safety by developing and promoting disease prevention and control, education, occupational health and safety, environmental health, and injury protection. CDC seeks to accomplish its mission by working with partners throughout the nation and the world to monitor health, detect and investigate health problems, conduct research to enhance prevention, develop and advocate sound public health policies, implement prevention strategies, promote healthy behaviors, foster safe and healthful environments, and provide leadership and training. The CDC Food Safety Office (FSO) helps lead CDC in the prevention of illness, disability, and death due to foodborne diseases.

Areas of Specialization: Food Safety, International, Public Health, Research

Employment: For information on fellowships, internships, and career opportunities *see* [www.cdc.gov/employment/recruitment](http://www.cdc.gov/employment/recruitment).

**HHS/CDC: National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP)**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
4770 Buford Highway NE  
MS K-40  
Atlanta, GA 30341  
Tel: (800) 232-4636  
[www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/](http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/)

Description (from website): The National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP) is located within the Office of Noncommunicable Diseases, Injury, and Environmental Health (ONDIEH), whose mission is to reduce the burden of noncommunicable diseases, injuries, disabilities, and environmental health hazards.

NCCDPHP's strategic priorities are: (1) Focus on Well-Being—Increase emphasis on promoting health and preventing risk factors, thereby reducing the onset of chronic health conditions; (2) Health Equity—Leverage program and policy activities, build partner capacities, and establish tailored interventions to help eliminate health disparities; (3) Research Translation—Accelerate the translation of scientific findings into community practice to protect the health of people where they live, work, learn, and play; (4) Policy Promotion—Promote social, environmental, policy, and systems approaches that support healthy living for individuals, families, and communities; and (5) Workforce Development—Develop a skilled, diverse, and dynamic public health workforce and network of partners to promote health and prevent chronic disease at the national, state, and local levels.

Within the NCCDPHP, the CDC's Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity (DNPAO) is working to improve nutrition and physical exercise and reduce obesity through state programs, technical assistance and training, surveillance and applied research, program implementation and evaluation, translation and dissemination, and partnership development.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Public Health, Research

Employment: See [www.cdc.gov/employment/recruitment](http://www.cdc.gov/employment/recruitment).

### **HHS/CDC: Public Health Law Program (PHLP)**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
1600 Clifton Road  
Atlanta, GA 30333  
Tel: (800) 232-4636  
[cdcinfo@cdc.gov](mailto:cdcinfo@cdc.gov)  
[www2.cdc.gov/phlp/](http://www2.cdc.gov/phlp/)

Description (from website): The CDC Director established the Public Health Law Program (PHLP) in 2000, following consultations with CDC programs and extramural partners, to lead the agency's public health law initiative. The Public Health Law Program is a component of the Office for State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Support. PHLP works to improve the health of the public by developing law-related tools and providing legal technical assistance to public health practitioners and policy makers in state, tribal, local, and territorial jurisdictions. PHLP works to: identify public health law priorities, research laws that impact public health, analyze public health legal preparedness, conduct comparative analyses across jurisdictions, prepare guidance, articles, reports, and toolkits, and develop and disseminate public health law curricula.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal, Policy, Public Health, Research

Employment: Contact [cdcinfo@cdc.gov](mailto:cdcinfo@cdc.gov).

### **HHS: Food and Drug Administration (FDA)**

10903 New Hampshire Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20993  
Tel: (888) 463-6332  
[www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov)

Description (from website): The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is responsible for protecting the public health by assuring the safety, efficacy and security of human and veterinary drugs, biological products, medical devices, our nation's food supply, cosmetics, and products that emit radiation. FDA is also responsible for advancing the public health by helping to speed innovations that make medicines more effective, safer, and more affordable and by helping the public get the accurate, science-based information they need to use medicines and foods to maintain and improve their health. FDA also has responsibility for regulating the manufacturing, marketing and distribution of tobacco products to protect the public health and to reduce tobacco use by minors. Finally, FDA plays a significant role in the Nation's counterterrorism capability; FDA fulfills this responsibility by ensuring the security of the food supply and by fostering development of medical products to respond to deliberate and naturally emerging public health threats.

Areas of Specialization: Animal Welfare, Biotechnology and GMOs, Food Advertising, Food Labeling, Food Safety, General Legal, International, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Policy

Employment: FDA's Office of Chief Counsel is actively seeking experienced attorneys and third-year law students for permanent positions (and second-year law students for paid summer internships). Attorneys in the Office of Chief Counsel advise the FDA on legal matters and represent the agency in court proceedings and in administrative hearings. They participate in both civil and criminal cases; draft

pleadings, motions, and briefs; and participate in discovery and trials. Lawyers also serve as counselors to the major programs of the agency: drugs, foods, biologics, devices, veterinary products, tobacco products, and enforcement. They provide legal opinions, and participate in rule-making proceedings, legislative matters, policy deliberations, and international negotiations. In addition, lawyers are involved in explaining agency programs to Congress, the regulated industry, and the public.

*See* [www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/WorkingatFDA/CareerDescriptions/ucm112708.htm](http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/WorkingatFDA/CareerDescriptions/ucm112708.htm).

## Other Federal Agencies

### **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

Ariel Rios Building  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20460  
Tel: (202) 272-0167  
[www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov)

Description (from website): The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is charged with protecting human health and the environment. The agency writes and enforces regulations under federal environmental statutes, largely in consultation with state, local, and tribal governments. EPA also conducts education campaigns, research, and environmental assessment.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Biotechnology and GMOs, Environment/Sustainability, Food Safety, Policy, Public Health, Research

Employment: For information on career and internship opportunities, *see* [www.epa.gov/jobs](http://www.epa.gov/jobs); for contact information for the EPA Office of General Counsel and Offices of Regional Counsel, *see* [www.epa.gov/ogc/contactus.htm](http://www.epa.gov/ogc/contactus.htm).

### **Federal Trade Commission (FTC)**

600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20580  
Tel: (202) 326-2222  
[www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov)

Description (from website): The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is the only federal agency with both consumer protection and competition jurisdiction in broad sectors of the economy. The FTC's strategic goals are: to protect consumers by preventing fraud, deception, and unfair business practices; to maintain competition by preventing anticompetitive mergers and business practices; and, to advance the FTC's performance through organizational, individual, and management excellence. The FTC pursues vigorous and effective law enforcement; advances consumers' interests by sharing its expertise with federal and state legislatures and U.S. and international government agencies; develops policy and research tools through hearings, workshops, and conferences; and, creates practical and plain-language educational programs for consumers and businesses in a global marketplace. The FTC is the lead agency of the Interagency Working Group on Food Marketed to Children, and regulates food advertising under its statutory authority to prohibit deceptive acts or practices.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Food Advertising, Food Marketing, General Legal, Trade

Employment: Including entry-level attorneys and summer legal interns, *see* [www.ftc.gov/ftc/oed/hrmo/jobops.shtm#elap](http://www.ftc.gov/ftc/oed/hrmo/jobops.shtm#elap).

### **U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)**

Ronald Reagan Building  
Washington, DC 20523  
Tel: (202) 712-4810  
Fax: (202) 216-3524  
[www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov)

Description (from website): The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) supports country-driven strategies and invests in strengthening both public and private institutions that underpin growth of the agricultural sector. USAID works throughout the sector, from developing improved seeds and management practices to strengthening the industries along the agricultural value chain. USAID is scaling up a comprehensive approach to agriculture by: developing agricultural markets, trade, and finance; promoting food and nutritional security; funding collaborative science and technology research efforts; organizing volunteer technical assistance and extension services; fostering support for biotechnology-related decisions and access; and developing and supporting sound programs for livestock and sustainable agriculture.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Biotechnology and GMOs, Education, General Legal, Hunger/Food Security, International, Public Health

Employment: For information on USAID careers, *see* [www.usaid.gov/careers/](http://www.usaid.gov/careers/).

### **U.S. Department of Commerce**

1401 Constitution Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20230  
Tel: (202) 482-2000  
[www.commerce.gov](http://www.commerce.gov)

Description (from website): The U.S. Department of Commerce promotes job creation, economic growth, sustainable development, and improved standards of living for all Americans by working in partnership with businesses, universities, communities, and our nation's workers. To drive U.S. competitiveness in the global marketplace, the Commerce Department works to strengthen the international economic position of the United States and facilitates global trade by opening up new markets for U.S. goods and services. Domestically, the Commerce Department promotes progressive business policies that help America's businesses and entrepreneurs and their communities grow and succeed.

The Commerce Department also provides effective management and monitoring of our nation's resources and assets to support both environmental and economic health. Through critical weather monitoring, weather forecasts and resource preservation, the Department protects not only the public safety and security but also oceans, coasts, and marine life while assisting with their economic development.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal, Trade

Employment: Career opportunity information can be found at [www.commerce.gov/about-commerce/careers](http://www.commerce.gov/about-commerce/careers); Employment opportunities in the Office of General Counsel can be found at [www.commerce.gov/os/ogc/employment](http://www.commerce.gov/os/ogc/employment).

**U.S. Department of Commerce: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)**

**National Marine Fisheries Service**

Partnerships and Communications

1315 East West Highway

Silver Spring, MD 20910

Tel: (301) 427-8400

Fax: (301) 713-0376

[www.nmfs.noaa.gov/](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/)

Description (from website): The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is the lead federal agency responsible for the stewardship of the nation's offshore living marine resources and their habitat. NOAA Fisheries manages, conserves, and protects fish, whales, dolphins, sea turtles, and other living creatures in the ocean. NOAA Fisheries works within the Magnuson-Stevens Act, the Marine Mammal Protection Act, and the Endangered Species Act to fulfill its mission of promoting healthy ecosystems. Federally-managed marine resources provide an important source of food and recreation for the nation, as well as thousands of jobs and a traditional way of life for many coastal communities.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability

Employment: For career opportunities with NOAA, *see* [www.commerce.gov/about-commerce/careers](http://www.commerce.gov/about-commerce/careers); NOAA Careers Homepage at [www.careers.noaa.gov/index.html](http://www.careers.noaa.gov/index.html).

**U.S. Department of State (DoS)**

2201 C Street NW

Washington, DC 20520

Tel: (202) 647-4000

[www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov)

Description (from website): Responsible for international relations, the Department of State (DoS) promotes U.S. interests in the world via the implementation of the president's foreign policy, and supports foreign affairs activities of other federal agencies. DoS promotes the interests of American citizens by: promoting peace and stability in regions of vital interest; creating jobs at home by opening markets abroad; helping developing nations establish investment and export opportunities; and bringing nations together and forging partnerships to address global problems, such as terrorism, the spread of communicable diseases, cross-border pollution, humanitarian crises, nuclear smuggling, and narcotics trafficking.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Hunger/Food Security, International, Policy

Employment: For information on careers in the Department of State, *see* [www.state.gov/careers](http://www.state.gov/careers); for information on careers and summer internships in the Office of the Legal Adviser, *see* [www.state.gov/s/l/3190.htm](http://www.state.gov/s/l/3190.htm).

**U.S. DoS: Office of Global Food Security**

2201 C Street, NW

Washington, DC 20520

Tel: (202) 647-4000

[www.state.gov/s/globalfoodsecurity/index.htm](http://www.state.gov/s/globalfoodsecurity/index.htm)

Description (from website): The Office of Global Food Security is responsible for the U.S. government's Global Hunger and Food Security Initiative, Feed the Future. The U.S. strategy for reducing hunger and ensuring food security is being developed through a consultative process within the U.S. government and with the global community and other stakeholders, including foundations, universities, non-governmental organizations, and the private sector. It will support and advance joint action to reduce hunger and under-nutrition throughout the developing world. More information on the initiative can be found at [www.state.gov/s/globalfoodsecurity/129952.htm](http://www.state.gov/s/globalfoodsecurity/129952.htm).

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Hunger/Food Security, International

Employment: For information on careers in the Department of State, see [www.state.gov/careers/](http://www.state.gov/careers/).

## STATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

### State Food Policy Councils, Task Forces, Etc.

States often have task forces, food policy councils, and agencies that address food policy issues. Most of the task forces and policy councils are operated on a volunteer-basis. A couple examples follow to help guide your search.

#### **Massachusetts Food Policy Council (MFPC)**

c/o Department of Agricultural Resources  
251 Causeway Street  
Suite 500  
Boston, MA 02114  
Tel: (617) 626-1753  
[www.mass.gov/agr/boards-commissions/mfpc.htm](http://www.mass.gov/agr/boards-commissions/mfpc.htm)

Description (from website): The purpose of the Massachusetts Food Policy Council (MFPC) is to increase production, sales, and consumption of Massachusetts-grown foods; develop and promote programs that bring healthy Massachusetts-grown foods to Massachusetts residents through various programs; protect the land and water resources needed for sustained local food production; and train, retain, and recruit farmers and to provide for the continued economic viability of local food production, processing, and distribution in the commonwealth.

#### **New York State Task Force on Food, Farm, and Nutrition Policy**

Legislative Office Building  
Albany, NY 12248  
Tel: (518) 455-5203 (Task Force Phone Number)

Description (from website): The New York State Task Force on Food, Farm, and Nutrition Policy aims to address the food and nutrition problems facing New York. Their targeted issues include food assistance for struggling working families and seniors, food safety, and food-based economic development.

News Updates: [www.assembly.state.ny.us/comm/?sec=post&id=62](http://www.assembly.state.ny.us/comm/?sec=post&id=62).

Member List: [www.assembly.state.ny.us/comm/?sec=mem&id=62](http://www.assembly.state.ny.us/comm/?sec=mem&id=62).

## **Other Food-Related Agencies**

Even if a state doesn't have an agency devoted specifically to food, food policy work can be found within other state agencies. The major state agencies dealing with food issues are listed below, with brief descriptions of their related food policy areas.

**Employment:** Research agency websites to discover employment opportunities. The jobs for state agencies are mostly policy-based and many of the agencies offer student internship opportunities.

### **Department of Agriculture**

State agriculture departments work to promote in-state agriculture through technical assistance, conservation, and support programs. Departments of agriculture also inspect and regulate state agricultural products to ensure environmental and food safety. Above all, state agricultural programs work to promote crops grown within the state. Some state agriculture departments also implement the National School Lunch Program at the state level.

**Areas of Specialization:** Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Economics, Environment/Sustainability, Food Safety, Food Marketing, Land Use/Conservation, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Research, Trade

### **Department of Education**

State education departments sometimes administer federal nutrition programs relating to meals and snacks in schools, daycare, and summer program sites (such as the National School Lunch Program and the Summer Food Service Program). State education departments implement these federal programs with program guidance, technical assistance, monitoring, and evaluation, and sometimes supplement the federal program with state funding.

**Areas of Specialization:** Education, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, School Food

### **Department of Health**

State health departments are usually heavily involved in nutrition matters throughout the given state. For example, many state health departments are implementing anti-obesity programs to encourage healthy eating and physical activity through intervention, education, and policy changes. These health departments often have nutrition divisions, which oversee federal programs such as WIC.

**Areas of Specialization:** Food Safety, Education, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health

### **Department of Human Services or Department of Transitional Services**

State departments of human services or departments of transitional assistance are usually the agencies in charge of providing benefits to low-income families or families in times of need. In particular, the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly the Food Stamp Program) is often

administered at the state level through state departments of human services. These agencies also administer other benefits such as Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF).

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

#### **Economic Development Agency**

Every state has an economic development agency to promote business investment and growth to foster job creation and prosperous communities. Economic development agencies frequently provide support for small business creation and development, including minority-owned businesses. With regard to food issues, this might include small businesses that support increased access to healthy and local foods (e.g., farmers markets).

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Community Development, Economics, Finance/Microfinance, Trade

#### **Environmental Quality Agency**

All states have a department that deals with environmental protection or environmental quality. These agencies are involved in regulating pollution sources in the state, cleaning up past pollution, and creating new systems to improve environmental impacts. Agriculture, as a polluting industry, often must interact with the state environmental quality department in order to make sure that regulations are being met. State environmental agencies also have some duties to enforce federal regulations promulgated by the EPA.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, General Legal

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**

There are various local government agencies that impact the food system as well. These agencies vary from state to state, but you might look to the city planning commission or planning department (they are in charge of zoning, land use planning, etc.), board of health or department of health, department of transportation, food policy directors (if the city has one), department of sustainability (if the city has one), and even city council members who are interested in food system development.

## **FEDERAL OR STATE LEGISLATORS**

Find federal or state legislators involved in food issues to target and contact for internships and employment. There are two ways to investigate which legislators are involved in food policy:

Committee Membership: Research which legislators are on food-related committees.

- U.S. House of Representatives: Agriculture; Appropriations; Energy and Commerce; Natural Resources; Small Business. *See* [www.house.gov/committees](http://www.house.gov/committees).
- U.S. Senate: Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Energy and Natural Resources; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. *See* [www.senate.gov/pagelayout/committees/d\\_three\\_sections\\_with\\_teasers/committees\\_home.htm](http://www.senate.gov/pagelayout/committees/d_three_sections_with_teasers/committees_home.htm).

- At the state level, these might include: Agriculture; Education; Public Health and Welfare. Visit individual state websites for more information.

Bill Sponsorship: Research food-related bills and who sponsored them as an indication of which legislators work on food policy.

- At the federal level, track current bills for the
  - U.S. House of Representatives at <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/thomas.php>; and,
  - U.S. Senate at [www.senate.gov/pagelayout/legislative/g\\_three\\_sections\\_with\\_teasers/legislative\\_home.htm](http://www.senate.gov/pagelayout/legislative/g_three_sections_with_teasers/legislative_home.htm).
- At the state level, research individual state legislature websites for bill tracking information.

## **section three: non-governmental organizations & research institutes**

Non-governmental agencies, research institutes, and nonprofit organizations in the fields of sustainable food, the environment, and human rights provide unique services in the food law and policy context. Generally, non-governmental organizations dedicate their work to specific issues or sets of issues within the food system, including: sustainable food systems, local and urban agriculture, farmers' rights, school nutrition, food safety, hunger and poverty, food justice, climate change, and international trade. They also tend to be divided between regional local, national, and international organizations.

Within these organizations, attorneys may conduct conventional legal work such as challenging harmful food production technologies and promoting sustainable alternatives, litigating civil or criminal cases against food system actors, and lending legal support to various sustainable agriculture and food safety constituencies. However, attorneys working at these organizations may also serve in less traditional legal roles and have the opportunity to influence policy. For example, they might coordinate grassroots organizing efforts to unite various food system stakeholders to create a more sustainable and accessible food system. They may also disseminate nutrition and health information to educate and empower communities to seek policy change. Because new organizations appear frequently across different areas, the following catalog is just a start. It is important to note that this guide generally lists larger nonprofit organizations with a national or regional focus area, but there are many smaller nonprofit organizations that are not included. In your internship/career search, you should go beyond this list and investigate nonprofit organizations operating within the specific fields and geographic areas of interest to you.

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### **NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

#### **American Farm Bureau Federation**

National Headquarters  
600 Maryland Avenue SW  
Suite 100W  
Washington, D.C. 20024  
Tel: (202) 406-3600  
[www.fb.org/](http://www.fb.org/)

Description (from website): Farm Bureau is an independent, non-governmental, voluntary organization governed by and representing farm and ranch families united for the purpose of analyzing their problems and formulating action to achieve educational improvement, economic opportunity and social advancement and, thereby, to promote the national well-being. Farm Bureau is local, county, state, national and international in its scope and influence and is non-partisan, non-sectarian and non-secret in character.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Policy

**American Farmland Trust (AFT)**

1200 18th Street NW  
Suite 800  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
Tel: (202) 331-7300  
Fax: (202) 659-8339  
[info@farmland.org](mailto:info@farmland.org)

Description (from website): American Farmland Trust (AFT) is the only national conservation organization dedicated to protecting farmland, promoting sound farming practices, and keeping farmers on the land. AFT is committed to protecting the nation's farm and ranch land, keeping it healthy and improving the economic viability of agriculture. AFT's staff of farmers, policy experts, researchers and scientists know the issues from the ground up — how communities can be strengthened by protecting farmland and supporting local farmers, and how farmers and ranchers can best be engaged to conserve the land and protect our natural resources. AFT works with federal, state, and local leaders and communities to develop legislation, implement policies, and execute programs that keep farmers on their land and protect our environment.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture and Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Land Use/Conservation, Policy

Employment: See [www.farmland.org/about/careers/default.asp](http://www.farmland.org/about/careers/default.asp).

**American Planners Association**

205 North Michigan Avenue  
Suite 1200  
Chicago, IL 60601  
Tel: (312) 431-9100  
Fax: (312) 786-6700

1030 15th Street NW  
Suite 750 West  
Washington, DC 20005-1503  
Tel: (202) 872-0611  
Fax: (202) 872-0643

[www.planning.org](http://www.planning.org)

Description (from website): The American Planning Association is an independent, not-for-profit educational organization that provides leadership in the development of vital communities by advocating excellence in community planning, promoting education and citizen empowerment, and providing the tools and support necessary to meet the challenges of growth and change.

Areas of Specialization: Urban Issues, Sustainability

Employment: See [www.planning.org/jobs/](http://www.planning.org/jobs/).

**Animal Legal Defense Fund (ALDF)**

National Headquarters  
170 East Cotati Avenue  
Cotati, CA 94931  
Tel: (707) 795-2533  
Fax: (707) 795-7280  
[info@aldf.org](mailto:info@aldf.org)  
[aldf.org](http://aldf.org)

Description (from website): For more than three decades, the Animal Legal Defense Fund (ALDF) has been fighting to protect the lives and advance the interests of animals through the legal system. Founded in 1979 by attorneys active in shaping the emerging field of animal law, ALDF has blazed the trail for stronger enforcement of anti-cruelty laws and more humane treatment of animals in every corner of American life. Today, ALDF's groundbreaking efforts to push the U.S. legal system to end the suffering of abused animals are supported by thousands of dedicated attorneys and more than 100,000 members. Much of the ALDF's work is devoted to farm animal welfare and combating factory farming practices. Along with PETA, the ALDF filed a historic lawsuit in 2013 challenging the constitutionality of Ag Gag laws.

Areas of Specialization: Animal Welfare, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Policy

Employment: For clerkships, internships, and fellowships, *see* <http://aldf.org/resources/animal-law-events-opportunities/clerkships-internships-fellowships/>. For ALDF Litigation Fellowships, *see* <http://aldf.org/resources/animal-law-events-opportunities/employment/?id=11>.

**Animal Welfare Approved (AWA)**

1007 Queen Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
Tel: (202) 546-5292 (5AWA)  
Fax: (202) 446-2151  
[info@animalwelfareapproved.org](mailto:info@animalwelfareapproved.org)  
[www.animalwelfareapproved.org](http://www.animalwelfareapproved.org)

Description (from website): Animal Welfare Approved (AWA) is a food label for meat and dairy products that come from farm animals raised to the highest animal welfare and environmental standards. The program was founded in 2006 as a market-based solution to the growing consumer demand for meat, eggs and dairy products from animals treated with high welfare and managed with the environment in mind. AWA audits, certifies, and supports independent family farmers raising their animals according to the highest animal welfare standards, outdoors on pasture or range. Called a "badge of honor for farmers" and the "gold standard," AWA has come to be the most highly regarded food label when it comes to animal welfare, pasture-based farming, and sustainability.

Areas of Specialization: Animal Welfare, Food Labeling, Research, Policy

Employment: *See* [www.animalwelfareapproved.org/about/employment/](http://www.animalwelfareapproved.org/about/employment/).

**Animal Welfare Institute (AWI)**

900 Pennsylvania Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20003  
Tel: (202) 337-2332

Fax: (202) 446-2131  
awi@awionline.org  
www.awionline.org

Description (from website): Since its founding in 1951, the Animal Welfare Institute (AWI) has sought to alleviate the suffering inflicted on animals by people. In the organization's early years, AWI's particular emphasis was on the desperate needs of animals used for experimentation. In the decades that followed, AWI expanded the scope of its work to address many other areas of animal suffering. Today, one of their greatest areas of emphasis is cruel animal factories, which raise and slaughter pigs, cows, chickens and other animals.

AWI's Government Affairs division provides information to Members of Congress and their staffs. AWI sends action alerts to individuals and organizations interested in animal protective legislation, informing them of ways in which they may help - often by writing to Members of Congress or other government officials and to the editors of newspapers.

AWI also engages in precedent-setting litigation on behalf of animals in state and federal courts across the country, and most recently has been involved in nationally recognized cases to promote the welfare of horses, elephants, bats and marine mammals. Starting with the staff at their Washington, D.C. headquarters and working alongside high-caliber outside counsel - including skilled and dedicated pro bono attorneys - AWI has achieved tremendous victories for animals in the courtroom. In addition to litigating to protect animals, AWI works to promote the enforcement and strengthening of both state and federal animal protection laws, including but not limited to the Animal Welfare Act, Endangered Species Act, Humane Slaughter Act, Horse Protection Act, Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act, Marine Mammal Protection Act, and Shark Conservation Act, as well as state anti-cruelty laws.

Areas of Specialization: Animal Welfare, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Policy

Employment: See <https://awionline.org/content/job-openingsinternships-awi>.

#### **CANFIT (Communities - Adolescents - Nutrition - Fitness)**

2140 Shattuck Avenue  
Suite 610  
Berkeley, CA 94704  
Tel: (510) 644-1533  
Fax: (510) 644-1535  
[info@canfit.org](mailto:info@canfit.org)  
[www.canfit.org](http://www.canfit.org)

Description (from website): CANFIT is a leader in building community leadership and stimulating change at multiple levels, from individual behavior to public policy. Its approach to partnering with communities builds capacity and leadership, while helping to advance sustainable change in low-income communities and communities of color. CANFIT works with communities and policymakers to develop culturally resonant policies and practices that improve food and fitness environments for adolescents in low income communities and communities of color.

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, School Food

Employment: See <http://canfit.org/about/jobs/>.

**Center for Food Safety (CFS)**  
660 Pennsylvania Avenue SE  
Suite 302  
Washington, DC 20003  
Tel: (202) 547-9359  
Fax: (202) 547-9429

303 Sacramento Street  
2nd floor  
San Francisco, CA 94111  
Tel: (415) 826-2770  
Fax: (415) 826-0507

917 SW Oak Street  
Suite 300  
Portland, OR 97205  
Tel: (971) 271-7372  
Fax: (971) 271-7374

[office@centerforfoodsafety.org](mailto:office@centerforfoodsafety.org)  
[www.centerforfoodsafety.org](http://www.centerforfoodsafety.org)

Description (from website): The Center for Food Safety (CFS) is a national non-profit public interest and environmental advocacy organization working to protect human health and the environment by curbing the use of harmful food production technologies and by promoting organic and other forms of sustainable agriculture. CFS uses legal actions, groundbreaking scientific and policy reports, books and other educational materials, market pressure and grass roots campaigns through our True Food Network. CFS's successful legal cases collectively represent a landmark body of case law on food and agricultural issues.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Environment/Sustainability, Food Advertising, Food Labeling, Food Safety, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Policy, Public Health

Employment: See [www.centerforfoodsafety.org/jobs/](http://www.centerforfoodsafety.org/jobs/).

**Center on Race, Poverty, and the Environment (CPRE)**  
1012 Jefferson Street  
Delano, CA 93215  
Tel: (661) 720-9140  
Fax: (661) 720-9483  
[vgorospe@crpe-ej.org](mailto:vgorospe@crpe-ej.org)

1999 Harrison Street  
Suite 650  
Oakland, CA 94612  
Tel: (415) 346-4179  
Fax: (415) 436-8723  
[malexander@crpe-ej.org](mailto:malexander@crpe-ej.org)

[www.crpe-ej.org/crpe/](http://www.crpe-ej.org/crpe/)

Description (from website): The Center on Race, Poverty & the Environment (CPRE) is a national environmental justice organization providing legal, organizing, and technical assistance to grassroots groups in low-income communities and communities of color. CRPE is driven by the belief that all people have the right to live, work, play and pray in a healthy environment, regardless of their race, place or income.

CRPE represents low-income communities and communities of color across the United States, with a particular focus on California's San Joaquin Valley. Its mission is to achieve environmental justice and healthy, sustainable communities through collective action and the law.

Areas of Specialization: Community development, Education, Environment/Sustainability, Food Justice, Hunger/Food Security, Legal Advocacy, Research

Employment: See [www.crpe-ej.org/crpe/index.php/about-us/employment-opportunities](http://www.crpe-ej.org/crpe/index.php/about-us/employment-opportunities).

### **Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI)**

1220 L Street NW  
Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20005  
Tel: (202) 332-9110  
Fax: (202) 265-4954  
[www.cspinet.org](http://www.cspinet.org)

Description (from website): The Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI) is a consumer advocacy organization whose twin missions are to conduct innovative research and advocacy programs in health and nutrition, and to provide consumers with current, useful information about their health and well-being. In general, CSPI's three main goals are to provide useful, objective information to the public and policymakers through research on food, alcohol, health, the environment, and other issues related to science and technology; to represent the citizens' interests before regulatory, judicial, and legislative bodies on food, alcohol, health, the environment, and other issues; and to ensure that science and technology are used for the public good and to encourage scientists to engage in public-interest activities.

Areas of Specialization: Food Marketing, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Policy, Public Health, Research, School Food

Employment: See [www.cspinet.org/about/jobs](http://www.cspinet.org/about/jobs).

### **ChangeLab Solutions (formerly Public Health Law and Policy)**

2201 Broadway  
Suite 502  
Oakland, CA 94612  
Tel: (510) 302-3380  
[www.phlpnet.org](http://www.phlpnet.org)

Description (from website): ChangeLab Solutions (formerly Public Health Law and Policy) believes achieving the common good means everyone has nourishing food, safe places to live and play, opportunities to bike, walk or take transit, fresh water, and clean air, both indoors and out. ChangeLab provides community-based solutions for Americans' most common and preventable diseases like cancer, heart disease, diabetes, obesity, and asthma. Their solutions promote the common good by making healthy choices easier for everyone. ChangeLab works with neighborhoods, cities, and states to

transform communities with laws and policies that create lasting change by providing legal and policy guidance on public health issues. For example, ChangeLab Solutions created a legal resource center for the tobacco control movement in California that has been tested and refined over the past 10 years. ChangeLab Solutions helps empower communities in moving forward with concrete policies and strategies for creating real and lasting change. Change Lab's Childhood Obesity division focuses on policies that help bring healthy foods to all communities.

Areas of Specialization: Community Development, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Public Health, Research

Employment: *See <http://changelabsolutions.org/employment>.*

**Community Law Center**

3355 Keswick Road  
Suite 200  
Baltimore, MD 21211-2650  
Tel: (410) 366-0922  
Fax: (410) 366-7763  
[mail@communitylaw.org](mailto:mail@communitylaw.org)  
[www.communitylaw.org](http://www.communitylaw.org)

Description (from website): Community Law Center, a nonprofit law firm, provides legal services to community and nonprofit organizations throughout Maryland to promote stronger nonprofits and more vibrant neighborhoods. Community Law Center is Maryland's only legal services organization dedicated solely to strengthening neighborhoods and the nonprofit sector. It seeks partnerships with community organizers, nonprofits, businesses, law enforcement, educators, and governmental agencies to realize each client's strategic goals. With staff attorneys and over 425 volunteer attorneys, Community Law Center is equipped to provide representation to neighborhoods and nonprofits for all of their legal needs. Community Law Center empowers communities and nonprofits that lack the financial resources to pay for private legal representation.

Areas of Specialization: Community Development, General Legal, Urban Issues

Employment: *See <http://communitylaw.org/volunteer/employment-internship-opportunities/>.*

**Consumers Union**

**Consumer Reports**  
101 Truman Avenue  
Yonkers, NY 10703-1057  
Tel: (914) 378-2000  
[consumersunion.org/topic/safety/](http://consumersunion.org/topic/safety/)

Description (from website): Consumer Reports (CR) is an expert, independent, nonprofit organization whose mission is to work for a fair, just, and safe marketplace for all consumers and to empower consumers to protect themselves. CR was founded in 1936 when advertising first flooded the mass media. Consumers lacked a reliable source of information they could depend on to help them distinguish hype from fact and good products from bad ones. Since then CR has filled that vacuum with a broad range of consumer information. To maintain its independence and impartiality, CR accepts no outside advertising and no free samples and employs several hundred mystery shoppers and technical experts to buy and test the products it evaluates.

Consumers Union (CU) is the policy and action division of CR. CU works with their network of activists to pass consumer protection laws in states and in Congress. CU works to focus public attention on food safety risks and regulatory deficiencies that can result in harm to the public.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Education, Food Labeling, Food Safety, Policy, Research

Employment: See <http://consumersunion.org/about/career-opportunities/>.

**Domestic Fair Trade Association (DFTA)**

220 2nd Avenue South Unit #61

Seattle, WA 98104

Tel: (206) 250-2680 (Executive Director)

[www.thedfta.org](http://www.thedfta.org)

Description (from website): Domestic Fair Trade Association (DFTA) is an association of members from across the food and agriculture system representing farmers and farmer groups, farmworkers and their organizations, retailers, marketers, processors, manufacturers, and NGOs. Its mission is to promote and protect the integrity of Domestic Fair Trade Principles through education, marketing, advocacy, and endorsements. DFTA's primary goals are to support family-scale farming, to reinforce farmer-led initiatives such as farmer co-operatives, and to bring these groups together with mission-based traders, retailers, and concerned consumers to build the movement for sustainable agriculture in North America.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Education, Labor, Policy, Trade

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Environmental Integrity Project (EIP)**

1000 Vermont Avenue NW

Eleventh Floor

Washington, DC 20005

Tel: (202) 296-8800

Fax: (202) 296-8822

1002 West Avenue

Suite 305

Austin, TX 78701

Tel: (512) 637-9476

Fax: (512) 584-8019

[info@environmentalintegrity.org](mailto:info@environmentalintegrity.org)

[www.environmentalintegrity.org](http://www.environmentalintegrity.org)

Description (from website): EIP is dedicated to President Theodore Roosevelt's idea that our laws should be enforced in the public's interest "without fear or favor." EIP combines research, reporting, and media outreach to spotlight illegal pollution, expose political intimidation of enforcement staff, and encourage federal and state agencies to take enforcement action. EIP envisions a healthy regulatory and physical environment; air that can be breathed without increased risk of asthma, heart disease, or

cancer; water clean enough to drink; and the right to enjoy these benefits regardless of a person's income.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Policy, Research

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Environmental Working Group (EWG)**

1436 U Street NW  
Suite 100  
Washington, DC 20009  
Tel: (202) 667-6982

2201 Broadway  
Suite 308  
Oakland, CA 94612  
Tel: (510) 444-0973

1107 9th Street  
Suite 625  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Tel: (916) 333-0566

103 East 6th Street  
Suite 201  
Ames, IA 50010  
Tel: (515) 598-2358

[www.ewg.org](http://www.ewg.org)

Description (from website): The Environmental Working Group (EWG) is a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to using the power of information to protect human health and the environment. For two decades, EWG's groundbreaking research has changed the debate over our nation's environmental health. From households to Capitol Hill – EWG's team of scientists, policy experts, lawyers, communication experts and programmers have worked tirelessly to make sure someone is standing up for public health when government or industry won't.

Areas of Specialization: Food Labeling, Food Safety, Land Use/Conservation, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, Research

Employment: *See* [www.ewg.org/about-us/job-openings](http://www.ewg.org/about-us/job-openings).

**Fair Food Network (FFN)**

205 E. Washington Street  
Suite B  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
Tel: (734) 213-3999  
[info@fairfoodnetwork.org](mailto:info@fairfoodnetwork.org)  
[www.fairfoodnetwork.org](http://www.fairfoodnetwork.org)

Description: Fair Food Network (FFN) is a national nonprofit dedicated to building a more just and sustainable food system. FFN works at the intersection of food systems, sustainability, and social equity to provide access to healthy, fresh, and sustainably grown food, especially in underserved communities. It implements model programs and brings the right people together to generate ideas, share resources, and promote policy changes to repair the food system.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Food Justice, Food Systems, Hunger/Food Security, Labor, Policy, Research

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Farm Aid**

501 Cambridge Street  
3rd Floor  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
Tel: (617) 354-2922  
Fax: (617) 354-6992  
[www.farmaid.org](http://www.farmaid.org)

Description (from website): Farm Aid is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to keep family farmers on their land by increasing awareness about the loss of family farms and raising funds to keep farm families on their land. Farm Aid works with local, regional and national organizations to promote fair farm policies and grassroots organizing campaigns designed to defend and bolster family farm-centered agriculture. It has worked side-by-side with farmers to protest factory farms and inform farmers and eaters about issues like genetically modified food and growth hormones.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Disaster Relief, Finance/Microfinance, Labor

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Farm to Consumer Legal Defense Fund (FTCLDF)**

8116 Arlington Boulevard  
Suite 263  
Falls Church, VA 22042  
Tel: (703) 208-3276  
Fax: (703) 208-3278  
[info@farmitoconsumer.org](mailto:info@farmitoconsumer.org)  
[www.farmitoconsumer.org](http://www.farmitoconsumer.org)

Description (from website): Farm to Consumer Legal Defense Fund (FTCLDF) is a nonprofit organization that protects the rights of farmers and consumers to engage in direct commerce; it protects the rights of farmers to sell the products of the farm and the rights of consumers to access the foods of their choice from the source of their choice. FTCLDF is a true grassroots organization and receives no government funding and little or no corporate funding.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, General Legal, Legal Advocacy/Litigation

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities

**Farm Forward**

P.O. Box 4120  
Portland, OR 97208-4120  
Tel: (877) 313-3276  
Fax: (877) 313-3276  
[www.farmforward.com](http://www.farmforward.com)

Description (from website): Incorporated in 2007, Farm Forward is a nonprofit advocacy and consulting group at the forefront of pragmatic efforts to transform the way our nation eats and farms. Their vision is encapsulated in the international bestseller *Eating Animals* by Farm Forward Board Member Jonathan Safran Foer, and their executive staff and board have been working on behalf of farmed animals since the early 1990s. This accumulated expertise informs Farm Forward's unique role as the first centrist organization where disparate interests opposed to the abuse of animals on factory farms can unite in coordinated and effective ways.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Animal Welfare, Policy

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship information.

**Farmers Legal Action Group (FLAG)**

6 Fifth West Street  
Suite 650  
Saint Paul, MN 55102  
Tel: (651) 223-5400  
Fax: (651) 223-5335  
[lawyers@flaginc.org](mailto:lawyers@flaginc.org)  
[www.flaginc.org](http://www.flaginc.org)

Description (from website): Farmers Legal Action Group (FLAG) is a nonprofit law firm dedicated to providing legal services and support to family farmers and their communities in order to help keep family farmers on the land. Since its inception, FLAG has provided an extensive array of legal services to financially distressed farmers and their advocates and attorneys nationwide.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Disaster Relief, General Legal, Labor, Legal Advocacy/Litigation

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship information.

**Farmers Market Coalition (FMC)**

P.O. Box 504  
Charlottesville, VA 22902  
[www.farmersmarketcoalition.org](http://www.farmersmarketcoalition.org)

Description (from website): The mission of Farmers Market Coalition (FMC) is to strengthen farmers markets for the benefit of farmers, consumers, and communities. The Farmers Market Coalition serves a rapidly growing industry with information and representation at the state and federal levels. FMC helps build networks, link peers, and connect farmers markets old and new with tools and resources for success. The priorities of FMC are to serve as an information center for farmers markets; to be a voice for North American farmers market advocacy; to foster strong state and regional farmers market associations; to bring private and public support to the table to sustain farmers markets in the long

term, for the benefit of farmers, consumers, and communities; to promote farmers markets to the public; to develop and provide educational programming and networking opportunities for farmers market managers and farmers market vendors.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Policy, Research

Employment: *See [www.farmersmarketcoalition.org/employment](http://www.farmersmarketcoalition.org/employment).*

**Farmworker Justice**

1126 16th Street NW

Suite 270

Washington, DC 20036

Tel: (202) 293-5420

[www.farmworkerjustice.org](http://www.farmworkerjustice.org)

Description: Farmworker Justice is a nonprofit organization that seeks to empower migrant and seasonal farmworkers to improve their living and working conditions, immigration status, health, occupational safety, and access to justice. Using a multi-faceted approach, Farmworker Justice educates lawmakers on Capitol Hill; helps farmworkers voice their concerns in federal administrative agencies; represents workers and their organizations in court; provides legal advocacy, policy analysis, training, and technical assistance to farm labor unions, attorneys, immigrant advocacy groups, and other stakeholders; and conducts media and education campaigns to educate the public about farmerworkers' issues.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Food Justice, General Legal, Labor, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Policy

Employment: *See <http://farmworkerjustice.org/about-farmworker-justice/jobs-and-internships>.*

**Fisheries Law Centre**

210 — 7340 Westminster Highway

Richmond, British Columbia V6X 1A1

Canada

(Mailing Address)

183 — 8623 Granville Street

Vancouver, British Columbia V6P 5A2

Canada

[fishlaw.org](http://fishlaw.org)

Description (from website): FLC is a grass roots not-for-profit research centre in Vancouver, Canada. The centre has three mandates: to conduct research in the field of fisheries, aquaculture and seafood laws and regulations; to build capacity by educating law students, lawyers, and other stakeholders in the area of fisheries law; and to facilitate legal representation to underprivileged small-scale fishers and NGOs wherever possible. At FLC, our aim is to protect the environment and consumers, and to support family fishermen and coastal communities. Although we are based in Canada, our outreach is global. Fisheries and seafood law is a specialized area of the law and is interdisciplinary in nature.

Although highly specialized, this area is also remarkably diverse, and includes such topics as: aboriginals' right to fish; access to justice in coastal communities; animal feed regulations; fisheries management schemes; genetically engineered fish; illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing; market structures; seafood fraud; seafood labeling requirements; seafood safety; and, sustainability certification schemes.

Our vision is to ensure family fishermen's access to justice, to protect our marine environment, to help coastal communities become more resilient, and to assist consumers in accessing safe and sustainable seafood. The FLC family comprises highly passionate individuals committed to environmental, social, and economic justice. We invite you to contact us with any questions you might have, and we welcome collaborations with interested individuals and organizations.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Community Development, Economics, Education, Environment/Sustainability, General Legal, International, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Research

### **Food & Water Watch (FWW)**

1616 P Street NW  
Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20036  
Tel: (202) 683-2500  
Fax: (202) 683-2501  
[www.foodandwaterwatch.org](http://www.foodandwaterwatch.org)

Description (from website): Food & Water Watch (FWW) works to ensure the food, water, and fish we consume is safe, accessible, and sustainably produced. FWW helps people take charge of where their food comes from, keep clean, affordable public tap water flowing freely to our homes, protect the environmental quality of oceans, force government to do its job protecting citizens, and educate about the importance of keeping the global commons—our shared resources—under public control.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Biotechnology and GMOs, Environment/Sustainability, Food Advertising, Food Safety, Policy, Public Health, Research

#### Employment:

For jobs and internship, see [www.foodandwaterwatch.org/about/career-opportunities/](http://www.foodandwaterwatch.org/about/career-opportunities/).  
For internship and volunteer program, see <https://www.foodandwaterwatch.org/take-action/volunteer-or-intern-at-food-water-watch/>.

### **Food Corps**

281 Park Avenue South  
New York, NY 10010  
Tel: (212)-596-7045  
Fax: (347)-244-7213  
[info@foodcorps.org](mailto:info@foodcorps.org)  
<https://www.foodcorps.org/>

Description (from website): FoodCorps is a nationwide team of leaders that connects kids to real food and helps them grow up healthy. FoodCorps does that by placing motivated leaders in limited-resource communities for a year of public service. Working under the direction of local partner organizations, FoodCorps implements a three-ingredient recipe for healthy kids. FoodCorps Service Members teach

kids about what healthy food is and where it comes from, build and tend school gardens, and bring high-quality local food into public school cafeterias. FoodCorps is a part of the AmeriCorps service network.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture, Community Development, Education, Food Justice, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, School Food

Employment: To become a Service Member, see <https://www.foodcorps.org/become-a-service-member>. Check back for future law and policy opportunities on FoodCorps' staff:  
<https://www.foodcorps.org/about>.

### **Food Research and Action Center (FRAC)**

1875 Connecticut Avenue NW  
Suite 540  
Washington, DC 20009  
Tel: (202) 986-2200  
Fax: (202) 986-2525  
[www.frac.org](http://www.frac.org)

Description (from website): The Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) is a leading national nonprofit organization working to improve public policies and public-private partnerships to eradicate hunger and undernutrition in the United States. FRAC works with hundreds of national, state, and local nonprofit organizations, public agencies, corporations, and labor organizations to address hunger, food insecurity, and their root cause, poverty.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Research

Employment: See <http://frac.org/about/jobs-and-internship-information/>.

### **The Food Trust**

One Penn Center  
Suite 900  
1617 John F. Kennedy Boulevard  
Philadelphia, PA 19103  
Tel: (215) 575-0444  
Fax: (215) 575-0466  
[contact@thefoodtrust.org](mailto:contact@thefoodtrust.org)  
[www.thefoodtrust.org](http://www.thefoodtrust.org)

Description (from website): The Food Trust's mission is ensuring that everyone has access to affordable, nutritious food and information to make healthy decisions. Working with neighborhoods, schools, grocers, farmers, and policymakers, the Food Trust has developed a comprehensive approach that combines nutrition education and greater availability of affordable, healthy food.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Finance/Microfinance, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

Employment: See [thefoodtrust.org/contact/jobs](http://thefoodtrust.org/contact/jobs).

**Friends of the Earth**

1100 15th Street NW

11th Floor

Washington, DC 20005

Tel: (202) 783-7400

Fax: (202) 783-0444

2150 Allston Way

Suite 240

Berkeley, CA 94704

Tel: (510) 900-3150

Fax: (510) 900-3155

[www.foe.org](http://www.foe.org)

Description (from website): Friends of the Earth, as an outspoken leader in the environmental and progressive communities, seeks to change the perception of the public, media and policy makers — and effect policy change — with hard-hitting, well-reasoned policy analysis and advocacy campaigns that describe what needs to be done, rather than what is seen as politically feasible or politically correct. This hard-hitting advocacy has been the key to their successful campaigns over its 43-year history.

One way that Friends of the Earth works to achieve a just and healthy world is by focusing on the economic drivers that are encouraging environmental degradation. Depending on the issue, these drivers may include public investment, granting corporations the right to pollute, or other factors. With key policy expertise at the federal and state levels, Friends of the Earth works to eliminate these drivers and thus bring environmental degradation to a halt.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Safety, Policy, Research

Employment: *See* [www.foe.org/about-us/jobs](http://www.foe.org/about-us/jobs).

**Health Care Without Harm**

Healthy Food Systems Program

12355 Sunrise Valley Drive

Suite 680

Reston, VA 20191

Tel: (703) 860-9790

Fax: (703) 860-9795

[www.noharm.org/all\\_regions/issues/food/](http://www.noharm.org/all_regions/issues/food/)

Description (from website): Health Care Without Harm works to implement ecologically sound and healthy alternatives to health care practices that pollute the environment and contribute to disease. Health Care Without Harm is an international coalition of hospitals and health care systems, medical professionals, community groups, health-affected constituencies, labor unions, environmental and environmental health organizations and religious groups.

Health Care Without Harm works with hospitals to adopt food procurement policies that provide nutritionally improved food for patients, staff, visitors, and the general public; and that support and create food systems that are ecologically sound, economically viable, and socially responsible. Health Care Without Harm operates globally, implementing different health care food systems programs for different parts of the world.

Areas of Specialization: Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Humane Society of the United States (HSUS)**

2100 L Street NW  
Washington, D.C. 20037  
Tel: (202) 452-1100  
[www.humanesociety.org](http://www.humanesociety.org)

Description (from website): The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) is the largest animal protection organization in the nation, and has been active in advocacy since 1954. In addition to their animal rescue program, HSUS confronts national and global animal cruelties through campaigning against abusive practices and organizations. They have conducted major work against agribusinesses to combat the cruel practices that take place on factory farms, especially related to inhumane crate and cage confinement. Through their advocacy work, HSUS has achieved positive policy change for animals on the national, state, and industry level.

Areas of Specialization: Animal Welfare, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Policy

Employment: Law clerks and legislative interns, *see*  
[www.humanesociety.org/about/employment/internships/internships\\_hsus.html](http://www.humanesociety.org/about/employment/internships/internships_hsus.html).

**Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy (IATP)**

2105 First Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Tel: (612) 870-0453  
Fax: (612) 870-4846

1100 15th Street NW  
11th Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20005  
Tel: (202) 222-0749

[www.iatp.org](http://www.iatp.org)

Description (from website): The Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy (IATP) works locally and globally at the intersection of policy and practice to ensure fair and sustainable food, farm and trade systems. IATP works with organizations around the world to analyze how global trade agreements impact domestic farm and food policies. Alongside a global coalition, IATP advocates for fair trade policies that promote strong health standards, labor and human rights, the environment and, most fundamentally, democratic institutions. IATP is developing alternative economic models that include clean sources of energy such as wind power and biofuel that would spur rural development. They are working with landowners to form cooperatives that promote sustainable forest management; advocating for green businesses and farms that reduce toxic runoff into the Great Lakes and Mississippi River; working to stop the overuse of antibiotics in agriculture and aquaculture, while limiting the release of mercury and other toxic pollutants that fall onto farmland and enter the food supply; and monitoring the impact of genetically engineered crops on the environment, human health and farmer income.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Economics, Environment/Sustainability, Food Justice, School Food, Trade

Employment: See [www.iatp.org/about/jobs-and-internships](http://www.iatp.org/about/jobs-and-internships).

**Land Trust Alliance**

1660 L Street NW

Suite 1100

Washington, D.C. 20036

Tel: (202) 638-4725

Fax: (202) 638-4730

[info@lta.org](mailto:info@lta.org)

[www.landtrustalliance.org](http://www.landtrustalliance.org)

(contact information for regional offices on website)

Description (from website): The Land Trust Alliance is a national conservation organization that works in three ways to save the places people love. First, they increase the pace of conservation, so more land and natural resources get protected. Second, they enhance the quality of conservation, so the most important lands get protected using the best practices in the business. And third, they ensure the permanence of conservation by creating the laws and resources needed to defend protected land over time.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Land Use/Conservation, Policy

Employment: See [www.landtrustalliance.org/about/jobs](http://www.landtrustalliance.org/about/jobs).

**MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger**

10495 Santa Monica Boulevard

Suite 100

Los Angeles, CA 90025

Tel: (310) 442-0020

Fax: (310) 442-0030

[www.mazon.org](http://www.mazon.org)

Description (from website): Founded in 1985, MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger is a national nonprofit organization working to end hunger among people of all faiths and backgrounds in the United States and Israel. MAZON believes that we can end hunger in America and Israel by acting to ensure that hungry people have access to the nutritious food they need today and working to develop and advance long-term solutions so that no one goes hungry tomorrow. The three interrelated strategies they employ—advocacy & education, partnership grants, and strategic initiatives—form the foundation for their holistic approach and symbolize their desire to embody the Jewish ideals: tzedakah (charity) and tikkun olam (healing the world).

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, Education

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL)**

444 North Capitol Street NW  
Suite 515  
Washington, DC 20001  
Tel: (202) 624-5400  
Fax: (202) 737-1069

7700 East First Place  
Denver, CO 80230  
Tel: (303) 364-7700  
Fax: (303) 364-7800

[www.ncsl.org](http://www.ncsl.org)

Description (from website): The National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL) is a bipartisan organization that serves the legislators and staffs of the nation's fifty states, commonwealths, and territories. NCSL provides research, technical assistance, and opportunities for policymakers to exchange ideas on the most pressing state issues. NCSL is an effective and respected advocate for the interests of state governments before Congress and federal agencies.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Biotechnology and GMOs, Food Safety, Research, Trade

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**National Consumers League (NCL)**

1701 K Street NW  
Suite 1200  
Washington, DC 20006  
Tel: (202) 835-3323  
[info@nclnet.org](mailto:info@nclnet.org)

Description (from website): The National Consumers League (NCL) provides government, businesses, and other organizations with the consumer's perspective on concerns including child labor, privacy, food safety, and medication information. The mission of NCL is to protect and promote social and economic justice for consumers and workers in the United States and abroad. NCL is a private, nonprofit advocacy group representing consumers on marketplace and workplace issues and is the nation's oldest consumer organization.

Areas of specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Food Safety, Public Health

Employment: See [www.nclnet.org/work\\_at\\_ncl](http://www.nclnet.org/work_at_ncl).

**National Family Farm Coalition (NFFC)**

110 Maryland Avenue NE  
Suite 307  
Washington, DC 20002  
Tel: (202) 543-5675  
Fax: (202) 543-0978  
[www.nffc.net](http://www.nffc.net)

Description (from website): The National Family Farm Coalition (NFFC) unites and strengthens the voices and actions of its diverse grassroots members to demand viable livelihoods for family farmers, fishers, and workers; safe and healthy food for everyone; and economically and environmentally sound rural communities.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Biotechnology and GMOs, Environment/Sustainability, Food Safety, Finance/Microfinance, Labor, Trade

Employment: See [www.nffc.net/Get%20Involved/page-getinvolved.htm](http://www.nffc.net/Get%20Involved/page-getinvolved.htm).

### **National Farm to School Network**

P.M.B # 104  
8770 West Bryn Mawr Avenue  
Suite 1300  
Chicago, IL 60631  
Tel: (847) 917-7292 (for Executive Director, based in IL)  
[www.farmtoschool.org](http://www.farmtoschool.org)

Description (from website): The National Farm to School Network is a program that connects schools (K-12) and local farms with the objectives of serving healthy meals in school cafeterias; improving student nutrition; providing agriculture, health, and nutrition education opportunities; and supporting local and regional farmers. The National Farm to School Network envisions a nation in which Farm to School programs are an essential component of strong and just local and regional food systems, ensuring the health of all school children, farms, the environment, economy, and communities.

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, School Food

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

### **National Farmers Union**

20 F Street NW  
Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20001  
[www.nfu.org](http://www.nfu.org)

Description (from website): National Farmers Union has been working since 1902 to protect and enhance the economic well-being and quality of life for family farmers, ranchers and rural communities through advocating grassroots-driven policy positions adopted by its membership. NFU represents farmers and ranchers in all states, with organized divisions in 33 states. The key to the success and credibility of the organization has been Farmers' Union grassroots structure in which policy positions are initiated locally. The policy process includes the presentation of resolutions by individuals, followed by possible adoption of the resolutions at the local, state, and national levels. Members and staff of the Farmers Union advocate these policy positions nationwide. National Farmers Union believes that good opportunities in production agriculture are the foundation of strong farm and ranch families, and strong farm and ranch families are the basis for thriving rural communities. Vibrant rural communities, in turn, are vital to the health, security and economic being of our entire national economy.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Community Development, Economics, Education, Environment/Sustainability, Policy, Rural Issues, Trade

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition (NSAC)**

110 Maryland Avenue NE  
Washington, DC 20002  
Tel: (202) 547-5754  
Fax: (202) 547-1837  
[info@sustainableagriculture.net](mailto:info@sustainableagriculture.net)  
[www.sustainableagriculture.net](http://www.sustainableagriculture.net)

Description (from website): The National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition (NSAC) is an alliance of grassroots organizations that advocates for federal policy reform to advance the sustainability of agriculture, food systems, natural resources, and rural communities. NSAC's vision of agriculture is one where a safe, nutritious, ample, and affordable food supply is produced by a legion of family farmers who make a decent living pursuing their trade, while protecting the environment, and contributing to the strength and stability of their communities.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Education, Environment/Sustainability, Hunger/Food Security, Food Advertising, Food Labeling, Labor, Research, Trade

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)**

40 West 20th Street  
New York, NY 10011  
Tel: (212) 727-2700  
Fax: (212) 727-1773  
[www.nrdc.org](http://www.nrdc.org)

Description (from website): The Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) is the nation's most effective environmental action group, combining the grassroots power of 1.4 million members and online activists with the courtroom clout and expertise of more than 350 lawyers, scientists and other professionals. The food-related work of the NRDC falls under the "Fostering Sustainable Communities" component of its mission.

The NRDC New York team has launched a campaign to promote regional sustainable food in the greater New York City region to foster farmland preservation, green economic development and greater access to healthy food. Overall, NRDC's work in New York seeks to strengthen the market for local, sustainable food, while showcasing the interconnectedness between the rural countryside and the urban core.

Areas of Specialization: Community Development, Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Land Use/Conservation, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Policy, Public Health, Research

Employment: For law and non-law related internships, see [www.nrdc.org/jobs/internships.asp](http://www.nrdc.org/jobs/internships.asp).

**Partnership for a Healthier America (PHA)**

1301 K Street NW

Washington, DC 20005

Tel: (202) 842-9001 ext. 203

[news@ahealthieramerica.org](mailto:news@ahealthieramerica.org)

[www.ahealthieramerica.org/#!/home](http://www.ahealthieramerica.org/#!/home)

Description (from website): Devoted to working with the private sector to ensure the health of our nation's youth by solving the childhood obesity crisis, the Partnership for a Healthier America (PHA) brings together public, private, and nonprofit leaders to broker meaningful commitments and develop strategies to end childhood obesity. Most importantly, PHA ensures that commitments made by its partners are kept by working with unbiased, third parties to monitor and publicly report on the progress its partners are making to show everyone what can be achieved when everyone works together.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, Research, School Food

Employment: See <http://sustainableagriculture.net/about-us/jobs/>.

**Pew Charitable Trusts**

One Commerce Square

2005 Market Street

Suite 2800

Philadelphia, PA 19103-7077

Tel: 215-575-9050

901 E Street NW

Washington, DC 20004-2008

Tel: 202-552-2000

[www.pewtrusts.org](http://www.pewtrusts.org)

Description (from website): Pew is a global research and public policy organization, operated as a non-partisan, non-governmental organization dedicated to serving the public. Informed by Pew's founders' interest in research, practical knowledge and a robust democracy, Pew's portfolio has grown over time to include public opinion research; arts and culture; and environmental, health, state and consumer policy initiatives. Pew's mission is to improve public policy by conducting rigorous analysis, linking diverse interests to pursue common cause and insisting on tangible results; inform the public by providing useful data that illuminate the issues and trends shaping our world; and stimulate civic life by encouraging democratic participation and strong communities.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Safety, Land Use/Conservation

Employment: See <https://jobs-pct.icims.com/jobs/>.

**Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM)**

5100 Wisconsin Avenue NW

Suite 400

Washington DC, 20016

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[pcrm@pcrm.org](mailto:pcrm@pcrm.org)  
[www.pcrm.org](http://www.pcrm.org)

Description (from website): Since 1985, the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM) has been influencing advancements in medicine and science. PCRM advocates for preventive medicine, especially good nutrition, conducts clinical research, and advocates for higher ethical standards in research. PCRM's membership includes 150,000 health care professionals and concerned citizens.

Areas of Specialization: Nutrition and Diet-Related Diseases, Policy, Public Health

Employment: See [www.pcrm.org/about/careers/career-opportunities](http://www.pcrm.org/about/careers/career-opportunities).

**Policy Link**  
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Suite 203  
Oakland, CA 94612  
Tel: (510) 663-2333  
Fax: (510) 663-9684  
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[www.policylink.org](http://www.policylink.org)

Description (from website): Policy Link is a national research and action institute advancing economic and social equity by Lifting Up What Works®. PolicyLink connects the work of people on the ground to the creation of sustainable communities of opportunity that allow everyone to participate and prosper. Such communities offer access to quality jobs, affordable housing, good schools, transportation, and the benefits of healthy food and physical activity.

Guided by the belief that those closest to the nation's challenges are central to finding solutions, PolicyLink relies on the wisdom, voice, and experience of local residents and organizations. Lifting Up What Works® is Policy Link's way of focusing attention on how people are working successfully to use local, state, and federal policy to create conditions that benefit everyone, especially people in low-income communities and communities of color. Policy Link shares its findings and analysis through publications, website and online tools, meetings, national summits, and in briefings with national and local policymakers.

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, Policy, Research

Employment: Including job opportunities and internships, see  
[www.policylink.org/site/c.lkIXLbMNJrE/b.7977455/k.C021/Job\\_Opportunities.htm](http://www.policylink.org/site/c.lkIXLbMNJrE/b.7977455/k.C021/Job_Opportunities.htm) and  
[www.policylink.org/site/c.lkIXLbMNJrE/b.7977457/k.9D43/Internships.htm](http://www.policylink.org/site/c.lkIXLbMNJrE/b.7977457/k.9D43/Internships.htm).

**Public Justice**  
1825 K Street NW  
Suite 200  
Washington, DC 20006  
Tel: (202) 797-8600  
Fax: (202) 232-7203

555 12th Street

Suite 1230  
Oakland, CA 94607  
Tel: (510) 622-8150  
Fax: (510) 622-8155

[www.publicjustice.net](http://www.publicjustice.net)

Description (from website): Public Justice is a public interest law firm that uses creative litigation, public education, and innovative work with the broader public interest community to protect people and the environment; hold the powerful accountable; challenge government, corporate, and individual wrongdoing; increase access to justice; combat threats to our justice system; and inspire lawyers and others to serve the public interest.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Safety, General Legal, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Public Health

Employment: *See* [www.publicjustice.net/who-we-are/jobs](http://www.publicjustice.net/who-we-are/jobs).

### **Restaurant Opportunities Center United (ROC- United)**

350 7th Avenue  
Suite 1504  
New York, NY 10001  
Tel: (212) 243-6900  
Fax: (212) 243-9800  
[www.rocunited.org](http://www.rocunited.org)

Description (from website): Restaurant Opportunities Center United (ROC-United) aims to improve wages and working conditions for the nation's restaurant workforce. ROC-United is the only national organization in the United States dedicated exclusively to the needs of restaurant workers. Through participatory research and policy work, employer engagement, workplace justice campaigns, membership and leadership development, and more, ROC-United has become a powerful national vehicle for restaurant workers to lift their collective voice on issues affecting all low-wage workers, including the minimum wage, paid sick days, compliance with basic employment standards, and lack of health care.

Areas of Specialization: Labor, Policy, Research

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

### **Righting Food**

[kaitlin@rightingfood.com](mailto:kaitlin@rightingfood.com)  
[www.rightingfood.com](http://www.rightingfood.com)

Description (from website): Righting Food examines the intersection between food and the law, with a particular focus on human rights and workers' rights. Laws structure and shape the global food system, facilitating or obstructing people's access to nutritious food. They influence how we grow, distribute, and purchase our food. The effects of these laws — ranging from international rules to local regulations — are varied. Laws can promote justice; they can just as easily hinder it. Righting Food was created to support the food justice movement by providing relevant information and thoughtful analysis on the nexus between food, the law, and human rights.

Areas of Specialization: Food Justice, International, Labor, Policy, Trade

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Rodale Institute**

611 Siegfriedale Road

Kutztown, PA 19530

Tel: (610) 683-1400

Fax: (610) 683-8548

[www.rodaleinstitute.org](http://www.rodaleinstitute.org)

Description (from website): The Rodale Institute is a nonprofit dedicated to pioneering organic farming through research and outreach. For over sixty years, the Rodale Institute has been researching the best practices of organic agriculture and sharing its findings with farmers and scientists throughout the world, advocating for policies that support farmers, and educating consumers about how going organic is the healthiest option for people and the planet.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Research

Employment: For professional vacancies, internships, and volunteer opportunities, see <http://rodaleinstitute.org/about-us/work-with-us/>.

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)**

Route 1 and College Road East

P.O. Box 2316

Princeton, NJ 08543

Tel: (877) 843-7953

[www.rwjf.org](http://www.rwjf.org)

Description: As the nation's largest philanthropy organization devoted solely to the public's health, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) has a unique capability and responsibility to confront the most pressing health and health care problems threatening our society. Its efforts focus on improving both the health of everyone in America, and their health care—how it is delivered, how it is paid for, and how well it works for patients and their families. RWJF creates leverage by building evidence and producing, synthesizing and distributing knowledge, new ideas, and expertise. They harness the power of partnerships by bringing together key players, collaborating with colleagues, and securing the sustained commitment of other funders and advocates to improve the health and health care of all Americans.

Areas of Specialization: Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, Research, School Food, Childhood Obesity

Employment: See [www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/job-opportunities.html](http://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/job-opportunities.html).

**School Food FOCUS (Food Options for Children in Urban Schools)**

40 Worth Street

5th Floor

New York, NY 10013  
Tel: (646) 619-6728  
Fax: (646) 619-6777  
[arosenthal@schoolfoodfocus.org](mailto:arosenthal@schoolfoodfocus.org)  
[www.schoolfoodfocus.org](http://www.schoolfoodfocus.org)

Description (from website): School Food FOCUS is a national collaborative that leverages the knowledge and procurement power of large school districts to make school meals nationwide more healthful, regionally sourced, and sustainably produced. Funded by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, the Kresge Foundation, and a growing number of sponsors, individuals, and private funders, FOCUS aims to transform food systems to support students' academic achievement and lifelong health, while directly benefiting farmers, regional economies, and the environment.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Finance/Microfinance, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Research, Public Health, School Food

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**School Nutrition Association (SNA)**

120 Waterfront Street  
Suite 300  
National Harbor, MD 20745  
Tel: (301) 686-3100  
Fax: (301) 686-3115  
[servicecenter@schoolnutrition.org](mailto:servicecenter@schoolnutrition.org)  
[www.asfsa.org](http://www.asfsa.org)

Description: Recognized as the authority on school nutrition, School Nutrition Association (SNA) has been advancing the availability, quality, and acceptance of school nutrition programs as an integral part of education since 1946. SNA (formerly American School Food Service Association) is a national, nonprofit professional organization representing more than 55,000 members who provide high-quality, low-cost meals to students across the country. SNA works to ensure all children have access to healthful school meals and nutrition education by: providing members with education and training; setting standards through certification and credentialing; gathering and transmitting regulatory, legislative, industry, nutritional, and other types of information related to school nutrition; and representing the nutritional interests of all children.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Public Health, School Food

Employment: *See* [careers.schoolnutrition.org/home/index.cfm?site\\_id=6966](http://careers.schoolnutrition.org/home/index.cfm?site_id=6966).

**Sierra Club**

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San Francisco, CA 94105  
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Fax: (415) 977-5797

50 F Street NW  
8th Floor

Washington, DC 20001  
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Fax: (202) 547-6009

[information@sierraclub.org](mailto:information@sierraclub.org)  
[www.sierraclub.org](http://www.sierraclub.org)

Description (from website): Founded by legendary conservationist John Muir in 1892, the Sierra Club is now the nation's largest and most influential grassroots environmental organization — with more than two million members and supporters. The Sierra Club has protected millions of acres of wilderness and helped pass the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and Endangered Species Act. More recently, the Sierra Club made history by leading the charge to move away from the dirty fossil fuels that cause climate disruption and toward a clean energy economy.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Land Use/Conservation, Policy

Employment: *See* [www.sierraclub.org/careers](http://www.sierraclub.org/careers).

**Sustainable Economies Law Center (SELC)**  
2323 Broadway  
Oakland, CA 94612  
Tel: (510) 398-6219  
[communications@theselc.org](mailto:communications@theselc.org)  
[www.theselc.org/](http://www.theselc.org/)

Description (from website): The Sustainable Economies Law Center (SELC) cultivates a new legal landscape that supports community resilience and grassroots economic empowerment. We provide essential legal tools so communities everywhere can develop their own sustainable sources of food, housing, energy, jobs, and other vital aspects of a thriving community.

Areas of Specialization: Economics, Environment/Sustainability, Policy, Research, Urban Issues

Employment: *See* [www.theselc.org/jobs](http://www.theselc.org/jobs).

**Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS)**  
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Cambridge, MA 02138-3780  
Phone: (617) 547-5552  
Fax: (617) 864-9405

1825 K Street NW  
Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006-1232  
Phone: (202) 223-6133  
Fax: (202) 223-6162

2397 Shattuck Avenue  
Suite 203  
Berkeley, CA 94704-1567  
Phone: (510) 843-1872

Fax: (510) 843-3785

One North LaSalle Street  
Suite 1904  
Chicago, IL 60602-4064  
Phone: (312) 578-1750  
Fax: (312) 578-1751

[www.ucsusa.org](http://www.ucsusa.org)

Description (from website): The Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) puts rigorous, independent science to work to solve the planet's most pressing problems. Joining with citizens across the country, UCS combines technical analysis and effective advocacy to create innovative, practical solutions for a healthy, safe, and sustainable future. UCS experts work on some of the world's most complex and daunting problems: stemming the tide of global warming, finding sustainable ways to feed, power and transport ourselves, and reducing the threat of catastrophic war.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Environment/Sustainability, Policy, Research

Employment: See [www.ucsusa.org/about/jobs-at-ucs.html](http://www.ucsusa.org/about/jobs-at-ucs.html).

### **United Farm Workers (UFW)**

P.O. Box 62  
29700 Woodford-Tehachapi Road  
Keene, CA 93531  
Tel: (661) 823-6151  
[www.ufw.org](http://www.ufw.org)

Description (from website): United Farm Workers (UFW) is the nation's first successful and largest farm workers union and is currently active in ten states. UFW continues to organize in major agricultural industries across the nation. Recent years have witnessed dozens of key UFW union contract victories, among them the largest strawberry, rose, winery, and mushroom firms in California and the nation.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, General Legal, Labor

Employment: See [www.ufw.org/\\_board.php?b\\_code=about\\_job](http://www.ufw.org/_board.php?b_code=about_job).

### **United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW)**

[www.ufcw.org](http://www.ufcw.org)

Description (from website): The United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW) has more than 1.3 million members working primarily in grocery and retail stores, and in the food processing and meat packing industries. UFCW works to improve the lives and livelihoods of workers, families, and communities, fighting for social and economic justice and the American Dream.

Areas of specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Food Justice, General Legal, Labor

Employment: See [www.ufcw.org/jobs/](http://www.ufcw.org/jobs/).

**The Wallace Center**

[www.wallacecenter.org](http://www.wallacecenter.org)

Contact information for specific programs provided on website

Description: The Wallace Center supports entrepreneurs and communities as they build a new, 21<sup>st</sup> century food system that is healthier for people, the environment, and the economy. The Wallace Center does this by: cultivating learning networks and communities of practice; bringing lessons to a broader audience; identifying and piloting emerging models; linking good food funders to on-the-ground work; and building food systems capacity through technical assistance.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Education, Environment/Sustainability, Finance/Microfinance, Rural Issues, Urban Issues

Employment: See [www.wallacecenter.org/our-people/jobs](http://www.wallacecenter.org/our-people/jobs).

**Waterkeeper Alliance**

17 Battery Place

Suite 1329

New York, NY 10004

Tel: (212) 747-0622

Fax: (212) 747-0611

[info@waterkeeper.org](mailto:info@waterkeeper.org)

[waterkeeper.org](http://waterkeeper.org)

Description (from website): Waterkeeper Alliance is the world's fastest growing environmental movement, uniting more than 200 Waterkeeper organizations around the world and focusing citizen action on issues that affect our waterways, from pollution to climate change. The Waterkeeper movement's mission is for swimmable, drinkable, fishable waterways worldwide, and believes that the best way to achieve this vision is through the Waterkeeper method of grassroots advocacy.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability

Employment: See <http://waterkeeper.org/who-we-are/career-and-internship-opportunities/>.

**Wholesome Wave**

855 Main Street

Suite 910

Bridgeport, CT 06604

Tel: (203) 226-1112

[info@wholesomewave.org](mailto:info@wholesomewave.org)

[www.wholesomewave.org](http://www.wholesomewave.org)

Description (from website): Wholesome Wave is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting small and midsize farms, and making fresh, healthy, locally grown fruits and vegetables available to all people, regardless of income. Wholesome Wave partners with farm-to-retail venues, community leaders, healthcare providers, like-minded nonprofits, and government entities to implement programs that benefit both consumers in underserved communities and the farmers who provide for them.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Finance/Microfinance, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

Employment: See [www.wholesomewave.org/employment/](http://www.wholesomewave.org/employment/).

### **WhyHunger**

505 Eighth Avenue  
Suite 2100  
New York, NY 10018  
Tel: (212) 629-8850  
[www.whyhunger.org](http://www.whyhunger.org)

Description (from website): WhyHunger is a leader in building the movement to end hunger and poverty by connecting people to nutritious, affordable food and by supporting grassroots solutions that inspire self-reliance and community empowerment. As a grassroots support organization, WhyHunger provides capacity building services, technical support, and access to information and financial resources to community organizations implementing new ideas and developing groundbreaking projects to transform their communities. They build networks of grassroots organizations that share a vision of healthy, sustainable, and self-reliant communities leading to greater mobilization and stronger advocacy to end poverty and hunger.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Food Systems, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

Employment: See [www.whyhunger.org/about/mission](http://www.whyhunger.org/about/mission).

## **REGIONAL/LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS**

### **Northeast**

#### **Abt Associates**

55 Wheeler Street  
Cambridge, MA 02138  
Tel: (617) 492-7100  
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[www.abtassociates.com](http://www.abtassociates.com)

Description (from website): Abt's mission is to improve the quality of life and economic well-being of people worldwide. Abt applies its energy and creativity to helping its customers—governments, businesses, and private organizations—make better decisions and deliver better products and services by providing them with the highest quality research, technical assistance, and consulting services available in the marketplace. Abt Associates is a mission-driven, global leader in research and program implementation in the fields of health, social and environmental policy, and international development.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Hunger/Food Security, International, Public Health, Research

Employment: See [www.abtassociates.com/Careers.aspx](http://www.abtassociates.com/Careers.aspx).

**Conservation Law Foundation (CLF)**

62 Summer Street  
Boston, MA 02110  
Tel: (617) 350-0990  
e-info@clf.org  
[www.clf.org](http://www.clf.org)

Description (from website): Since 1966, Conservation Law Foundation (CLF) has used the law, science, policymaking, and the business market to find pragmatic, innovative solutions to New England's toughest environmental problems. Whether that means cleaning up Boston Harbor, protecting ocean fisheries to ensure continued supply, stopping unnecessary highway construction in scenic areas, or expanding access to public transportation, CLF is driven to make all of New England a better place to live, work, and play. What's more, CLF has the toughness to hold polluters accountable, and the tenacity to see complex challenges through to their conclusion. CLF is also nimble enough to adjust course as conditions change to achieve the best outcomes. Their goal is not to preserve what used to be, but to create an even better New England—a region that's truly thriving.

In 2010, CLF launched a new Sustainable Farm and Food System Initiative. Housed within their Healthy Communities and Environmental Justice Program, the Farm and Food Initiative has been building successfully on the momentum of the growing local food movement. CLF sees sustainable agriculture businesses—including urban and peri-urban agriculture—as a key component in creating a more carbon resilient, healthier, and economically vibrant New England region. In conjunction with CLF's program focus, CLF Ventures (CLF's business consulting affiliate) has begun working on a set of complementary market-based strategies to overcome market hurdles and advance market access for sustainable agriculture at the local and regional scale.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Urban Issues, Policy, Rural Issues

Employment: See [www.clf.org/about-clf/employment-opportunities/](http://www.clf.org/about-clf/employment-opportunities/).

**The Food Project**

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Lincoln, MA 01773  
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[info@thefoodproject.org](mailto:info@thefoodproject.org)  
[www.thefoodproject.org](http://www.thefoodproject.org)

Description (from website): The Food Project aims to create a thoughtful and productive community of youth and adults from diverse backgrounds who work together to build a sustainable food system. Its community produces healthy food for residents of the city and suburbs, provides youth leadership opportunities, and inspires and supports others to create change in their own communities.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Urban Issues

Employment: See [www.thefoodproject.org/work-here](http://www.thefoodproject.org/work-here).

**John C. Stalker Institute of Food and Nutrition**

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Framingham, MA 01701  
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Fax: (508) 626-4018  
[johnstalker@framingham.edu](mailto:johnstalker@framingham.edu)  
[www.johnstalkerinstitute.org](http://www.johnstalkerinstitute.org)

Description (from website): The John C. Stalker Institute of Food and Nutrition is the creative entity and force to lead Massachusetts school and child nutrition professionals in forward thinking, growth, education, and development to address the needs of the whole child. The Institute uses current research and technology to educate and inform Massachusetts professionals concerned with child nutrition and healthy nutrition environments.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Public Health, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Just Food**

1155 Avenue of the Americas  
3rd Floor  
New York, NY 10036  
Tel: (212) 645-9880 ext. 221  
[www.justfood.org](http://www.justfood.org)

Description (from website): Just Food is a nonprofit organization that connects communities and local farms with the resources and support they need to make fresh, locally grown food accessible to all New Yorkers. Just Food provides regional farmers and food producers, CSA-organizers and everyday eaters with the resources and support they need to establish and experience healthy food systems—in every neighborhood. Since 1995, Just Food has pioneered sustainable food models, including CSAs, community-run farmers markets, and farm-to-food pantry programs. Just Food serves thousands of New Yorkers by forging partnerships between local farms, neighborhood groups, and consumers, and by providing urban communities with a framework for growing, and knowing, healthy food.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Hunger/Food Security

Employment: See [www.justfood.org/about-us/volunteer-job](http://www.justfood.org/about-us/volunteer-job).

**Maine Farmland Trust (MFT)**

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Belfast, ME 04915  
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[info@mainerfarmlandtrust.org](mailto:info@mainerfarmlandtrust.org)  
[www.mainerfarmlandtrust.org](http://www.mainerfarmlandtrust.org)

Description (from website): Maine Farmland Trust (MFT) was created in 1999 to help preserve farmland in Maine. Though farming in Maine remains a major economic force (adding \$2 billion each year to the state's economy) and is well poised for the future, that future promise depends on the

protection of the resource base. MFT protects farmland both directly through its own projects, and by helping Maine's numerous local and regional land trusts undertake projects of their own. Since 1999, MFT's work has expanded beyond farmland protection to also include efforts to: (a) help farms be successful; (b) help farmers secure land; and (c) help inform and engage the public.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Land Use/Conservation

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia**

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Philadelphia, PA 19103  
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Fax: (215) 627-3183  
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[www.pilcop.org](http://www.pilcop.org)

Description (from website): Since 1969 the Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia has been the law firm to which individuals and organizations turn to address laws, policies and practices that perpetuate discrimination, inequality and poverty. The Law Center's clients are people with disabilities, racial and ethnic minorities, low-income individuals and communities, formerly incarcerated people, and the advocacy organizations that represent them in the Philadelphia region.

Through their Public Health and Environmental Justice project, the Law Center works to promote the interests of community gardeners and urban farmers in marginalized Philadelphia neighborhoods. In 2011, the Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia launched the Garden Justice Legal Initiative, with support from the Skadden Fellowship Foundation. The goal of the project is to provide pro bono legal support, policy research and advocacy, and community education and organizing to community gardeners and market farmers in the Philadelphia region.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Justice, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, Public Health, Urban Issues

Employment: See [www.pilcop.org/employment/](http://www.pilcop.org/employment/).

**Urban Nutrition Initiative (UNI)**

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Suite P-117A  
Philadelphia, PA 19104  
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[info@urbannutrition.org](mailto:info@urbannutrition.org)  
[www.urbannutrition.org](http://www.urbannutrition.org)

Description: The Urban Nutrition Initiative (UNI), a program of the University of Pennsylvania's Netter Center for Community Partnerships, addresses issues of poor nutrition and physical fitness in West Philadelphia. UNI's activities are fully integrated into the university-assisted community school model.

UNI organizes school days, after-school and summer learning opportunities for more than 10,000 students and their families at twenty public schools in Philadelphia. UNI's ecological approach to nutrition education includes hands-on experiences for students to grow, cook, consume, and sell healthy foods. UNI has in-school "Eat Right Now" programs and "UNI Youth Development" programs.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, Urban Issues

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

## Southeast

### **Alliance for Fair Food (AFF)**

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[www.allianceforfairfood.org](http://www.allianceforfairfood.org)

Description (from website): The Alliance for Fair Food (AFF) is a network of human rights, religious, student, labor, sustainable food and agriculture, environmental, and grassroots organizations that works in partnership with the Coalition of Immokalee Workers. AFF promotes principles and practices of socially responsible purchasing in the corporate food industry that advance and ensure the human rights of farmworkers at the bottom of corporate supply chains.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Labor, Trade

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

### **Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW)**

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Immokalee, FL 34143  
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[workers@ciw-online.org](mailto:workers@ciw-online.org)  
[www.ciw-online.org/](http://www.ciw-online.org/)

Description (from website): The Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW) is a community-based organization of mainly Latino, Mayan Indian, and Haitian immigrants working in low-wage jobs throughout the state of Florida. CIW strives to build its strength as a community through reflection and analysis, constant attention to coalition-building across ethnic divisions, and an ongoing investment in leadership development to help their members continually develop their skills in community education and organization. From this basis CIW fights for, among other things: a fair wage for the work they do; more respect on the part of their bosses and the industries where they work; better and cheaper housing; stronger laws and stronger enforcement against those who would violate workers' rights; the right to organize on their jobs without fear of retaliation; and an end to forced labor in the fields.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Labor, Trade

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

## Midwest

### Farm Commons

P.O. Box 3050  
Madison, WI 53704  
Tel: (608) 616-5319  
[www.farmcommons.org](http://www.farmcommons.org)

Description (from website): Farm Commons is a non-profit dedicated to addressing the legal needs of farmers, focusing on three main values: resources, community, and services. Farmers should be empowered to take action on the legal situations that affect their operations. Farm Commons' educational resources help farmers identify issues, break them down into manageable steps, and give farmers the confidence to move forward. When farmers and attorneys share knowledge, the entire local food system moves forward. Farm Commons fosters the discussions and connections that build a strong legal backbone for our community. Ultimately, farmers need access to affordable, specialized attorneys. Farm Commons leads the edge of sustainable farm law through client representation (currently in Wisconsin), and develops the capacity of attorneys around the country to do the same.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Education, General Legal, Research

## West

### California Certified Organic Farms (CCOF)

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Santa Cruz, CA 95060  
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Fax: (831) 423-4528  
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[www.ccof.org](http://www.ccof.org)  
[www.ccof.org/advocacy](http://www.ccof.org/advocacy)

Description (from website): California Certified Organic Farmers' (CCOF) mission to certify, educate, advocate, and promote organic is carried out by three different branches of the organization: the politically active trade association, CCOF, Inc.; the certification body, CCOF Certification Services, LLC; and the nonprofit, CCOF Foundation. As a trade association, CCOF represents the organic perspective in policy decisions that affect their members and the organic sector. CCOF has worked on both federal and state-level policy issues.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Food Justice, Policy

Employment: See [www.ccof.org/ccof/work-ccof](http://www.ccof.org/ccof/work-ccof).

### The California Endowment

1000 North Alameda Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012  
Tel: (800) 449-4149  
Fax: (213) 928-8801  
[www.calendow.org](http://www.calendow.org)

Description (from website): The California Endowment is a private, statewide health foundation that was created in 1996 as a result of Blue Cross of California's creation of WellPoint Health Networks. The California Endowment's mission is to expand access to affordable, quality health care for underserved individuals and communities, and to promote fundamental improvements in the health status of all Californians.

Areas of Specialization: Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities. Check website for regional office contact information.

**California Food Policy Advocates (CFPA)**

436 14th Street  
Suite 1220  
Oakland, CA 94612  
Tel: (510) 433-1122  
Fax: (510) 433-1131  
[www.cfpainc.org](http://www.cfpainc.org)

Description (from website): California Food Policy Advocates (CFPA) is a statewide policy and advocacy organization dedicated to improving the health and well being of low-income Californians by increasing their access to nutritious, affordable food. CFPA values public policies that recognize the fundamental contributions of nutrition to health, education, productivity, and overall well-being.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Food Systems Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health

Employment: CFPA staff embody a wide range of academic backgrounds and professional experience including public health, public policy, social welfare, law, and nutritional sciences. See [www.cfpainc.org/career-opportunities](http://www.cfpainc.org/career-opportunities).

**California Project LEAN**

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Sacramento, CA 95814  
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[www.californiaprojectlean.org](http://www.californiaprojectlean.org)

Description (from website): California Project LEAN (Leaders Encouraging Activity and Nutrition) is a joint program of the California Department of Public Health and the Public Health Institute. Project LEAN works to advance nutrition and physical activity policy in schools and communities in order to prevent obesity and its associated chronic diseases. Its efforts center around youth and parent empowerment approaches, policy and environmental change strategies, and community-based solutions that improve nutrition and physical activity environments.

Project LEAN provides input on the development of national, state, and local policies and works with communities and schools to implement policies that will improve access to healthy foods and physical activity opportunities. Specifically, it works with state and local physical activity and nutrition leaders,

key school and community organizations, school board members, youth, and parents, as stakeholder engagement is an essential component of obesity prevention and health promotion.

Areas of Specialization: Education, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Public Health

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Marin Agricultural Land Trust (MALT)**

P.O. Box 809

Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Tel: (415) 663-1158

Fax: (415) 663-1099

[farmland@malt.org](mailto:farmland@malt.org)

[www.malt.org](http://www.malt.org)

Description (from website): Marin Agricultural Land Trust (MALT) is a private, member-supported nonprofit organization created in 1980 by a coalition of ranchers and environmentalists to permanently preserve Marin County farmland for agricultural use. MALT eliminates the development potential on farmland through the acquisition of conservation easements in voluntary transactions with landowners. MALT also promotes public awareness and encourages policies that support and enhance agriculture.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Land Use/Conservation

Employment: *See* [www.malt.org/jobs](http://www.malt.org/jobs).

## section four: international organizations & agencies

Various international agencies work in the realm of food policy and play important roles in confronting the modern challenges of hunger, poverty, climate change, resource degradation, and population growth. For example, international agencies such as the World Food Programme provide direct food aid to people who cannot obtain the food necessary to lead active and healthy lives. Other agencies support farmers and offer them education about sustainable growing practices and organic agriculture. Generally, these agencies identify and analyze international, national, and local policies in support of improved food security and nutrition, with an emphasis on low-income countries and undernourished populations. These agencies may work on policy issues at the local/regional, national, or international level to achieve structural change or they may operate on the ground to strengthen the capacity of local institutions by contributing to food systems research, education, and expertise.

For attorneys interested in more traditional legal work, many international organizations need lawyers to research national and international laws, draft legal memos, and write country comparison reports. One option for those interested in this type of work is to look at the legal departments of the United Nations organizations, such as the Food and Agriculture Organization, where lawyers provide legal advisory services to the organizations' members, assist in the formulation of treaties, publish legal studies, and maintain databases of national legislation and international agreements. Most international organizations also employ attorneys to work on policy topics, such as researching and advocating for international, national, and local policies that improve food security, nutrition, and agricultural practices. This section lists only a handful of the many international organizations involved in food policy, but you should be able to identify others, including those established in other countries, that work on food policy at the international level.

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### United Nations

#### **Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)**

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[www.fao.org](http://www.fao.org)

Description (from website): The Food and Agriculture Organization's (FAO) mandate is to achieve food security for all: to make sure people have regular access to enough high-quality food to lead active, healthy lives. FAO seeks to raise levels of nutrition, improve agricultural productivity, better the lives of rural populations, and contribute to the growth of the world economy through activities that comprise four main areas: putting information within reach, sharing policy expertise, providing a meeting place for nations, and bringing knowledge to the field.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Education, Environment/Sustainability, Hunger/Food Security, International, Research

The Legal Office has its own website: [www.fao.org/legal/en/](http://www.fao.org/legal/en/).

Employment: For senior-level, professional, and project vacancies, consultancies, an Associate Professional Officer program, a FAO internship program, a FAO Junior Professional program, and a FAO Volunteer program, *see* [www.fao.org/employment/en/](http://www.fao.org/employment/en/).

### **International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)**

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[ifad@ifad.org](mailto:ifad@ifad.org)

[www.ifad.org](http://www.ifad.org)

Description (from website): The International Fund for Agriculture Development (IFAD) is a specialized agency of the United Nations established as an international financial institution in 1977 as one of the major outcomes of the 1974 World Food Conference. The Conference was organized in response to the food crises of the early 1970s that primarily affected the Sahelian countries of Africa. IFAD's mission is to enable poor rural people to overcome poverty. IFAD is dedicated to eradicating rural poverty in developing countries. Working with rural poor people, governments, donors, non-governmental organizations, and many other partners, IFAD focuses on country-specific solutions, which can involve increasing rural poor peoples' access to financial services, markets, technology, land, and other natural resources.

IFAD provides loans to its developing Member States on highly concessional, intermediate and ordinary terms for approved projects and programs. It provides grants to institutions and organizations in support of activities to strengthen the technical and institutional capacities linked to agricultural and rural development.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Education, Finance/Microfinance, Hunger/Food Security, International

Employment: For professional vacancies, Associate Professional Officer Programme, and Internship Programme, *see* [www.ifad.org/job/index.htm](http://www.ifad.org/job/index.htm).

### **United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food**

Olivier de Schutter (2008 - present)

University of Louvain - SSH/JURI/PJTD

College Thomas More

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[srfood@ohchr.org](mailto:srfood@ohchr.org)

[www.srfood.org](http://www.srfood.org)

Description (from website): The Special Rapporteur (SR) is an independent expert appointed by the UN Human Rights Council to examine and report back on a country situation or a specific human rights

theme. This position is honorary and the expert is not a staff of the United Nations nor paid for his/her work.

The SR implements the mandate on the right to food through different means and activities. The SR:

- presents annual reports to the UN Human Rights Council and to the General Assembly on the activities and studies undertaken in the view of the implementation of the mandate;
- monitors the situation of the right to food throughout the world;
- identifies general trends related to the right to food and undertakes country visits that provide the SR with a firsthand account on the situation concerning the right to food in a specific country;
- communicates with States and other concerned parties with regard to alleged cases of violations of the right to food and other issues related to his/her mandate; and,
- promotes the full realization of the right to food through dialogue with relevant actors by participating in seminars, conferences, expert meetings.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Hunger/Food Security, International Policy, Research, Trade

Employment: Contact the office at [srfood@ohchr.org](mailto:srfood@ohchr.org).

### **World Food Programme (WFP)**

Via C.G. Viola 68  
Parco dei Medici  
00148 Rome, Italy  
Tel: +39 06 65131  
Fax: +39 06 6590632  
[www.wfp.org](http://www.wfp.org)

Description (from website): The World Food Programme (WFP) is the food aid arm of the United Nations system. Food aid is one of the many instruments that can help to promote food security, which is defined as access of all people at all times to the food needed for an active and healthy life. The policies governing the use of WFP food aid must be oriented towards the objective of eradicating hunger and poverty. The ultimate objective of food aid should be the elimination of the need for food aid.

Targeted interventions are needed to help to improve the lives of the poorest people—people who, either permanently or during crisis periods, are unable to produce enough food or do not have the resources to otherwise obtain the food that they and their households require for active and healthy lives.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Disaster Relief, Hunger/Food Security, International, Trade

Employment: For professional vacancies, short-term consultancies, the Junior Professional Officer Program, and internships, see [www.wfp.org/about/vacancies/](http://www.wfp.org/about/vacancies/).

### **World Health Organization (WHO)**

Avenue Appia 20  
1211 Geneva 27  
Switzerland  
Tel: + 41 22 791 21 11

Fax: + 41 22 791 31 11  
[info@who.int](mailto:info@who.int)  
[www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

Description (from website): The World Health Organization (WHO) is the directing and coordinating authority for health within the United Nations system. WHO is responsible for providing leadership on global health matters, shaping the health research agenda, setting norms and standards, articulating evidence-based policy options, providing technical support to countries, and monitoring and assessing health trends.

Areas of Specialization: International, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health

Employment: For professional vacancies, an Internship Programme, and a Junior Professional Officer Programme, *see* [www.who.int/employment/](http://www.who.int/employment/).

## Other Organizations

### **Food First (Institute for Food and Development Policy)**

398 60th Street  
Oakland, CA 94618  
Tel: (510) 654-4400  
Fax: (510) 654-4551  
[info@foodfirst.org](mailto:info@foodfirst.org)  
[www.foodfirst.org](http://www.foodfirst.org)

Description (from website): Food First aims to eliminate the injustices that cause hunger, poverty and environmental degradation throughout the world. They carry out research, analysis, advocacy, and education with communities and social movements for informed citizen engagement with the institutions and policies that control production, distribution, and access to food. Their work both informs and amplifies the voices of social movements fighting for food justice and food sovereignty. They are committed to dismantling racism in the food system and believe in people's right to healthy and culturally appropriate food produced through ecologically sound and sustainable methods, and their right to define their own food and agriculture systems—at home and abroad.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Justice, Food Systems, Hunger/Food Security, Research

Employment: For internships, *see* [www.foodfirst.org/en/node/1814](http://www.foodfirst.org/en/node/1814).

### **Heifer International**

1 World Avenue  
Little Rock, AR 72202  
Tel: (855) 9HUNGER; (855) 948-6437  
[info@heifer.org](mailto:info@heifer.org)  
[www.heifer.org](http://www.heifer.org)

Description (from website): Heifer International works with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth. With gifts of livestock and training, Heifer projects help families improve their nutrition and generate income in sustainable ways. Heifer refers to the animals as "living loans" because in exchange for their livestock and training, families agree to give one of its animal's offspring to another

family in need. It is called Passing on the Gift and is a cornerstone of Heifer's mission that creates an ever-expanding network of hope and peace.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Community Development, Disaster Relief, Finance/Microfinance, Food Justice, Hunger/Food Security, International

Employment: For opportunities with Heifer's U.S. offices, global offices, foundation, and legally separate entities, *see* [www.heifer.org/inside/careers](http://www.heifer.org/inside/careers).

**Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy (IATP)**

2105 First Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Tel: (612) 870-0453  
Fax: (612) 870-4846

1100 15th Street NW  
11th Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20005  
Tel: (202) 222-0749

[www.iatp.org](http://www.iatp.org)

Description (from website): The Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy (IATP) works locally and globally at the intersection of policy and practice to ensure fair and sustainable food, farm, and trade systems. IATP works with organizations around the world to analyze how global trade agreements impact domestic farm and food policies. Alongside a global coalition, IATP advocates for fair trade policies that promote strong health standards, labor and human rights, the environment and, most fundamentally, democratic institutions. IATP also works to build sustainability, developing alternative economic models that include clean sources of energy such as wind power and biofuel that would spur rural development. In order to promote safe food and healthy ecosystems, IATP is working to stop the overuse of antibiotics in agriculture and aquaculture, while limiting the release of mercury and other toxic pollutants that fall onto farmland and enter the food supply. IATP is also monitoring the impact of genetically engineered crops on the environment, human health and farmer income.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Biotechnology and GMOs, Environment/Sustainability, Hunger/Food Security, International, Labor, Public Health, Trade

Employment: For jobs and internships, *see* [www.iatp.org/about/jobs-and-internships](http://www.iatp.org/about/jobs-and-internships).

**International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)**

IFPRI Headquarters  
2033 K Street NW  
Washington, DC 20006  
Tel: (202) 862-5600  
Fax: (202) 467-4439  
[ifpri@cgiar.org](mailto:ifpri@cgiar.org)  
[www.ifpri.org](http://www.ifpri.org)

Description (from website): The International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) seeks sustainable solutions for ending hunger and poverty. IFPRI is one of fifteen centers supported by the Consultative

Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR), an alliance of sixty-four governments, private foundations, and international and regional organizations.

IFPRI's mission focuses on (1) identifying and analyzing alternative international, national, and local policies in support of improved food security and nutrition, emphasizing low-income countries and poor people and the sound management of the natural resource base that supports agriculture; (2) contributing to capacity strengthening of people and institutions in developing countries that conduct research on food, agriculture, and nutrition policies; and (3) actively engaging in policy communications, making research results available to all those in a position to apply or use them, and carrying out dialogues with those users to link research and policy action.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Disaster Relief, Environment/Sustainability, Hunger/Food Security, International, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Policy, Research

Employment: For research positions, other positions and internships, *see* [www.ifpri.org/careers](http://www.ifpri.org/careers).

### **Oxfam International Secretariat**

Oxfam GB

President: Karen Brown

Director: Mark Goldring

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Oxford OX4 2JY

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Fax: +44 1865 472 600

[enquiries@oxfam.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@oxfam.org.uk)

Oxfam America

Chair: Joe Loughrey

Director: Raymond Offenheiser

226 Causeway Street

5th Floor

Boston, MA 02114

Tel: (617) 482-1211 or (800) 77-OXFAM

Fax: +1 (617) 728-2594

[info@oxfamamerica.org](mailto:info@oxfamamerica.org)

[www.oxfam.org](http://www.oxfam.org)

Description: Working with thousands of local partner organizations, Oxfam works with people living in poverty striving to exercise their human rights, assert their dignity as full citizens, and take control of their lives. Oxfam focuses its efforts in several areas including development, emergencies, campaigning, advocacy, and policy research.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Disaster Relief, Education, Environment/Sustainability, Hunger/Food Security, International, Public Health

Employment: For professional vacancies and volunteer opportunities with Oxfam International Secretariat and Oxfam Affiliates, *see* [www.oxfam.org/en/jobs](http://www.oxfam.org/en/jobs).

**Pesticide Action Network (PAN North America or PANNA)**

1611 Telegraph Avenue

Suite 1200

Oakland, CA 94612

Tel: (510) 788-9020

[www.panna.org](http://www.panna.org)

Description (from website): The Pesticide Action Network (PAN) works to replace the use of hazardous pesticides with ecologically sound and socially just alternatives. As one of five PAN Regional Centers worldwide, Pesticide Action Network North America links local and international consumer, labor, health, environment, and agriculture groups into an international citizens' action network. This network challenges the global proliferation of pesticides, defends basic rights to health and environmental quality, and works to ensure the transition to a just and viable society.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, International

Employment: For professional vacancies, internships, and volunteer opportunities, see [www.panna.org/about/work-with-PAN](http://www.panna.org/about/work-with-PAN).

**Slow Food Foundation for Biodiversity**

Via Mendicita Istruita, 14

12042 Bra (Cuneo), Italy

Tel: +39 0172 419701

Fax: +39 0172 414498

[foundation@slowfood.com](mailto:foundation@slowfood.com)

[www.slowfoodfoundation.org](http://www.slowfoodfoundation.org)

Description: Slow Food Foundation for Biodiversity is a nonprofit organization that coordinates numerous projects in support of Terra Madre communities, providing them with technical and financial assistance. The Foundation works in over fifty countries and involves over 10,000 small-scale food producers, promoting environmentally and culturally sustainable agriculture.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Finance/Microfinance, International

Employment: Contact the office at [foundation@slowfood.com](mailto:foundation@slowfood.com).

**Slow Food International**

Piazza XX Settembre, 5

12042 Bra (Cuneo), Italy

Tel: +39 0172 419611

Fax: +39 0172 421293

[international@slowfood.com](mailto:international@slowfood.com)

[www.slowfood.com](http://www.slowfood.com)

Description (from website): Slow Food International is a global, grassroots organization with supporters in over 160 countries around the world who are linking the pleasure of good food with a commitment to their community and the environment. Slow Food develops projects, events, and activities all around the world and at all levels—by convivia (local groups) at the community level and by Slow Food offices at

the regional and global level. It has adopted innovative approaches to defend food biodiversity, develop networks, conduct food and taste education, and connect producers and consumers.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Biotechnology and GMOs, International

Employment: For professional vacancies and internships with Slow Food USA, see [www.slowfoodusa.org/jobs-internships](http://www.slowfoodusa.org/jobs-internships).

**Sustainable Food Systems at the Oakland Institute**

4173 MacArthur Boulevard  
Suite 225  
Oakland, CA 94619  
Tel: (510) 474-5251  
[info@oaklandinstitute.org](mailto:info@oaklandinstitute.org)  
[www.oaklandinstitute.org](http://www.oaklandinstitute.org)

Description (from website): The Oakland Institute (OI) is an independent policy think tank, bringing fresh ideas and bold action to the most pressing social, economic, and environmental issues of our time. Its mission is to increase public participation and promote fair debate on critical social, economic, and environmental issues in both national and international forums. One of its main areas of work is in sustainable food systems. By adhering to a high investigative standard with consideration of local impact and international trends, OI advocates for agro-ecological farming methods that empower local producers and reports the effects of current agribusiness models. OI provides honest policy proposals that lead to concrete solutions, guided by the belief that small agriculture can feed the world.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Hunger/Food Security, International, Research, Trade

Employment: For internships, see [www.oaklandinstitute.org/join-us-0](http://www.oaklandinstitute.org/join-us-0).

**U.S. Food Sovereignty Alliance**

[info@usfoodsovereigntyalliance.org](mailto:info@usfoodsovereigntyalliance.org)  
[www.usfoodsovereigntyalliance.org/](http://www.usfoodsovereigntyalliance.org/)

Description (from website): The U.S. Food Sovereignty Alliance works to end poverty, rebuild local food economies, and assert democratic control over the food system. U.S. Food Sovereignty Alliance believes all people have the right to healthy, culturally appropriate food, produced in an ecologically sound manner. As a U.S.-based alliance of food justice, anti-hunger, labor, environmental, faith-based, and food producer groups, it upholds the right to food as a basic human right and works to connect our local and national struggles to the international movement for food sovereignty.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Systems, Hunger/Food Security, International, Labor, Trade

Employment: Contact headquarters for job and internship opportunities.

**Worldwatch Institute**  
1400 16th Street NW  
Suite 430  
Washington, DC 20036  
Tel: (202) 745-8092  
Fax: (202) 478-2534  
[worldwatch@worldwatch.org](mailto:worldwatch@worldwatch.org)  
[www.worldwatch.org](http://www.worldwatch.org)

Description (from website): Through research and outreach that inspire action, the Worldwatch Institute works to accelerate the transition to a sustainable world that meets human needs. The Institute's top mission objectives are universal access to renewable energy and nutritious food, expansion of environmentally sound jobs and development, transformation of cultures from consumerism to sustainability, and an early end to population growth through healthy and intentional childbearing.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Research

Employment: For professional vacancies and internships, see  
[www.worldwatch.org/category/worldwatch-institute/about-worldwatch/jobs](http://www.worldwatch.org/category/worldwatch-institute/about-worldwatch/jobs).

## **section five: fellowship- & grant-giving organizations**

One alternative way to get involved in food policy is to apply for a grant or a fellowship that would help fund your work. If you have some background knowledge about food policy or if you know exactly what you want to concentrate on, fellowships and grants are a great way to get targeted funding for a specific project or idea. The following foundations provide funding to support fellows or grantees to work on issues such as hunger, nutrition, health, poverty, and social justice at the local, national, and international levels. Some foundations place fellows with partner organizations such as the International Food Policy Research Institute, World Food Programme, or United States Department of Agriculture, where fellows combine opportunities to work on the ground and at the policy level, forming bridges between local communities and decision-makers. Other foundations award grants to candidates who propose projects related to the foundation's mission. In either case, fellows or grantees engage in a broad range of activities around program development, outreach, organizing, and advocacy projects. As the food policy field grows and gains momentum, you should be able to find even more opportunities to apply for—and receive—grants and fellowships in this field.

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### **Bill Emerson Hunger Fellowship**

#### **Congressional Hunger Center**

Hall of the States Building  
400 North Capitol Street NW  
Suite G100  
Washington, DC 20001  
Tel: (202) 547-7022 x 29  
Fax: (202) 547-7575  
[www.hungercenter.org/fellowships/emerson/](http://www.hungercenter.org/fellowships/emerson/)

Description (from website): The Emerson National Hunger Fellows Program is a social justice program that trains, inspires, and sustains leaders. Fellows gain field experience fighting hunger and poverty through placements in community-based organizations across the country, and policy experience through placements in Washington, DC. The program bridges community-based efforts and national public policy, and Fellows develop as effective leaders in the movement to end hunger and poverty.

The Emerson Program supports a diversity of local and national approaches to eliminate hunger, poverty, and social inequality, particularly racism. It seeks to craft successful and mutually beneficial partnerships between Fellows and partner organizations while developing a new generation of hunger and poverty leaders. Fellows support partner organizations with program development, research, evaluation, outreach, organizing, and advocacy projects.

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, Policy, Research

Employment: In addition to the fellowship, permanent jobs at the Congressional Hunger Center include Program Director and Coordinator positions. See [www.hungercenter.org/fellowships/emerson/apply/](http://www.hungercenter.org/fellowships/emerson/apply/) and [www.hungercenter.org/about/jobs/](http://www.hungercenter.org/about/jobs/) for current job openings.

**Leland International Hunger Fellows Program**

**Congressional Hunger Center**

Hall of the States Building

400 North Capitol Street NW

Suite G100

Washington, DC 20001

Tel: (202) 547-7022

Fax: (202) 547-7575

[www.hungercenter.org/fellowships/leland/](http://www.hungercenter.org/fellowships/leland/)

Description (from website): The Leland International Hunger Fellows Program trains emerging leaders in the fight to end hunger worldwide. It is a unique two-year program that combines field and policy work. Leland Fellows develop new skills while actively working to alleviate hunger and poverty in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. During the first year, fellows work directly to build food security in the field. In the second year, fellows apply their field experience to the design of sound development policy at the organizational, national, and international level.

In addition to their field and policy work, fellows take part in annual CHC-sponsored training sessions and a range of professional development activities aimed at further adding to their skills and expertise. Each Leland class consists of 14-17 skilled and committed individuals. The application process for fellows is highly selective. Most Leland Fellows hold advanced degrees and have spent at least one year working or volunteering in a developing country.

CHC places fellows with organizations that make a difference both on the ground and at the policy level. Past host organizations have included the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Mercy Corps, Helen Keller International, Land O'Lakes, Inc., the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the UN World Food Programme.

Areas of Specialization: Hunger/Food Security, International, Public Health

Employment: In addition to the fellowship, permanent jobs at the Congressional Hunger Center include Program Director and Coordinator positions. See [www.hungercenter.org/fellowships/emerson/apply/](http://www.hungercenter.org/fellowships/emerson/apply/) and [www.hungercenter.org/about/jobs/](http://www.hungercenter.org/about/jobs/) for current job openings.

**Community Food Projects Competitive Grants**

**United States Department of Agriculture**

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

1400 Independence Avenue SW

Stop 2201

Washington, DC 20250

Tel: (202) 720-4423

[www.nifa.usda.gov/fo/communityfoodprojects.cfm](http://www.nifa.usda.gov/fo/communityfoodprojects.cfm)

Description (from website): In FY 2014 the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture's Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program (CFPGCP) intends to solicit applications and fund three types of grants. The types are entitled (1) Community Food Projects, (2) Planning Projects and (3) Training and Technical Assistance Projects.

The primary goals of the CFPGCP are to: meet the food needs of low-income individuals through food distribution, community outreach to assist in participation in Federally assisted nutrition programs, or improving access to food as part of a comprehensive service; increase the self-reliance of communities

in providing for the food needs of the communities; promote comprehensive responses to local food access, farm, and nutrition issues; and, meet specific state, local or neighborhood food and agricultural needs including needs relating to: equipment necessary for the efficient operation of a project; planning for long-term solutions; or the creation of innovative marketing activities that mutually benefit agricultural producers and low-income consumers.

Areas of Specialization: Finance/Microfinance, Food Systems, Hunger/Food Security, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease

Employment: See website for information about preferred projects for this grant. See government section of this guide for information about employment at USDA.

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)**

Route 1 and College Road East  
P.O. Box 2316  
Princeton, NJ 08543  
Tel: (877) 843-RWJF (7953)  
[www.rwjf.org](http://www.rwjf.org)

Description (from website): The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) seeks to improve the health and health care of all Americans. RWJF works with a diverse group of dedicated people and organizations to address problems at their roots and to help make a difference on the widest scale—particularly for the most vulnerable among us. For projects to be eligible for funding, they must address certain program areas, which include childhood obesity and public health.

Areas of Specialization: Finance/Microfinance, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health, Research

Employment: Permanent jobs include Program Officer positions within different program areas. *See [www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/job-opportunities.html](http://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/job-opportunities.html) for current positions.*

**W.K. Kellogg Foundation**

One Michigan Avenue East  
Battle Creek, MI 49017  
Tel: (269) 968-1611  
Fax: (269) 968-0413  
[www.wkkf.org](http://www.wkkf.org)

Description (from website): The W.K. Kellogg Foundation awards grants to support children, families, and communities as they strengthen and create conditions that propel vulnerable children to achieve success as individuals and as contributors to the larger community and society.

Areas of Specialization: Finance/Microfinance, Nutrition and Diet-Related Disease, Public Health

Employment: Apply for grants through the foundation website at [www.wkkf.org/grants/for-grantseekers.aspx](http://www.wkkf.org/grants/for-grantseekers.aspx). There are no submissions deadlines; applications are accepted throughout the year. There are also permanent positions in the organization including attorney, program officer, and program manager positions. *See [www.wkkf.org/employment/employment.aspx](http://www.wkkf.org/employment/employment.aspx) for currently available positions.*

## section six: law firms

For attorneys who want to practice law in a firm, opportunities to focus on food law have been steadily increasing as firms adapt to meet the growing demands of their clients. Firms often combine food law with other practice areas such as agricultural, alcoholic beverage, and/or pharmaceutical law, and offer clients transactional, regulatory, and litigation services. As sourcing and consumer markets spread around the globe, these practices have simultaneously expanded to the international level.

Lawyers in these practice areas represent a broad range of clients across all sectors of the food industry, including producers, retailers, suppliers, and distributors, and handle regulatory and other legal matters from corporate governance and planning through the execution of contracts and transactions. They regularly advise on health and safety topics, products liability issues, intellectual property enforcement, insurance matters, and various aspects of food labeling. Lawyers also provide food system clients tailored advice on product safety, product recall, crisis management, and enforcement actions. Attorneys may defend food industry clients against criminal charges from alleged violations of food and drug regulations or represent consumers in class action lawsuits based on issues such as misleading labeling practices. They may also represent clients before administrative proceedings at the Food and Drug Administration, Federal Trade Commission, or United States Department of Agriculture.

This section includes firms from the American Lawyer's list of top 100 firms, as well as others that are known for their food law practices. However, you may be able to find additional firms that operate a food law practice, especially if you conduct a targeted search in your desired geographic region. In this section, small firms are classified as those with 1-10 lawyers; medium firms as those with 11-30 lawyers; and large firms as those with more than 30 lawyers.

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### **Alston & Bird LLP**

Multiple offices  
[info@alston.com](mailto:info@alston.com)  
[www.alston.com](http://www.alston.com)  
[www.alston.com/services/industries/health-care/food-drug-device-fda/](http://www.alston.com/services/industries/health-care/food-drug-device-fda/)

Description: Alston & Bird's Food, Drug, and Device Group serves both domestic and foreign clients handling products regulated by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The FDA practice is led by a former FDA Associate Commissioner for Legislative Affairs and a former FDA Associate Chief Counsel. The team offers core legal and regulatory services to the makers, marketers, and users of drugs (prescription, over-the-counter, generic, and animal), biologics, medical devices and in vitro diagnostics, foods (and dietary supplements), cosmetics, tobacco products, and any of their components.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal

Size and Location of Food, Drug, and Device Group: medium-sized; located mostly in Washington D.C., but with some in Atlanta.

### **Baumstark Braaten Law Partners**

109 North 4th Street  
Suite 100

Bismarck, ND 58501  
Tel: (701) 221-2911  
Fax: (701) 221-5842

2501 Montana Avenue  
Suite 4  
Billings, MT 59103  
Tel: (406) 969-1014  
Fax: (877) 926-6998

[www.baumstarkbraaten.com](http://www.baumstarkbraaten.com)

Description (from website): The attorneys at Baumstark Braaten Law Partners have experience in many areas, with a focus on agricultural law, American Indian law and environmental law. The practice ranges from reviewing farm leases for local farmers to serving as co-counsel on national class action lawsuits. Most of the work is done on behalf of farmers and ranchers, but they also have significant experience working with businesses, non-profit organizations and government bodies on a variety of issues.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, General Legal, Land Use/Conservation

Size and Location of firm: medium-sized; located in North Dakota and Montana.

**Bryan Cave**  
Multiple offices  
[www.bryancave.com](http://www.bryancave.com)  
[www.bryancave.com/agribusiness/](http://www.bryancave.com/agribusiness/)

Description (from website): Members of Bryan Cave's Agribusiness, Ag Biotechnology, and Food Processing Practice Group bring to the table a wealth of knowledge in corporate transactions and general commercial work coupled with real industry experience in how food is grown, processed, marketed and distributed. They have drafted dozens of biotech research and development agreements and licenses focusing on high-value and identity-preserved agricultural products. Examples of work include regulatory issues, such as environmental and antitrust; domestic and international mergers and acquisitions; commercial finance and restructuring; commercial transactions; licensing (in and out); funded research and development agreements; real estate transactions; formation issues for start-ups such as venture capital, commercial agreements, and intellectual property protection.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, General Legal, Trade

Size and Location of Agribusiness, Ag Biotechnology, and Food Processing Practice Group: medium-sized; located in St. Louis, Kansas City, and Chicago.

**Chadbourne & Parke**  
Multiple offices  
[www.chadbourne.com](http://www.chadbourne.com)  
[www.chadbourne.com/Food-and-Beverage-Industries/](http://www.chadbourne.com/Food-and-Beverage-Industries/)

Description (from website): Chadbourne & Parke's Food and Beverage Group helps companies in the food and beverage industry deal daily with matters of product safety and regulation, financing for

expansion, cross-border trade, and protection of intellectual property. Their experience includes involvement in the sale of 240 fast-food restaurants in the United States; a trade dispute between a Brazilian exporter and a U.S. importer; the expansion of a company's beverage and bottling facilities in Azerbaijan, Armenia and Georgia; the financing of a Russian retailer's move into hypermarkets; and financing for an Egyptian poultry and olive production company. They have particular depth in the distilled spirits sector, involving matters such as product safety and marketing.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal, International, Trade

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: medium-sized; located in Brazil, New York, Mexico City, Ukraine, and Warsaw.

**Cooley**

Multiple offices

[www.cooley.com](http://www.cooley.com)

[www.cooley.com/foodlitigation](http://www.cooley.com/foodlitigation)

Description (from website): Cooley's Food Litigation group represents clients in the food production, processing, and distribution sectors when they are confronted with disputes, claims, and the adversarial situations that arise in the course of doing business. The firm has advised clients in the food industry in regard to claims and disputes ranging from breach of contract actions, insurance coverage matters, and false advertising claims to potentially catastrophic bacterial outbreak incidents that trigger action lawsuits and even criminal investigations.

Areas of Specialization: Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Food Litigation Team: small-sized group; located in San Francisco and Palo Alto.

**Covington & Burling LLP**

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Description (from website): Lawyers in Covington's Food & Beverage Law Practice advise on all aspects of food and beverage product development, labeling, and promotion. At the formulation stage, the firm has substantial experience with new food technologies such as irradiation, DNA techniques, and other forms of genetic engineering. Regarding sourcing and manufacturing, the team assists clients in qualifying their suppliers and ensuring that current good manufacturing practices (cGMPs) are followed. For claims in labeling and advertising, attorneys provide advice on legal issues surrounding the development of technical substantiation and claim language to best convey the health benefits of products within the applicable legal frameworks. Additionally, Covington's Food & Beverage lawyers have been at the forefront of issues relating to current concerns about obesity and marketing to children, advising clients on marketing strategies and claims.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Food Advertising, Food Labeling, General Legal

Size and Location of Food & Beverage Law Team: small-sized group; located in Brussels, London, and Washington, D.C.

**Cozen O'Connor**

Multiple offices

[www.cozen.com](http://www.cozen.com)

[www.cozen.com/industries/food-beverage](http://www.cozen.com/industries/food-beverage)

Description (from website): Cozen O'Connor counsels major players in the food and beverage industry on litigation, transactional, and regulatory issues. Their attorneys have extensive experience handling products liability claims and mass torts, and are leaders in food-industry crisis management. Their insurance lawyers have been protecting food and beverage underwriters for decades and have authored numerous publications on insurer responsibilities in the event of a product recall and/or food contamination event. They serve a wide range of companies directly and indirectly connected to the food and beverage industry. Their clients include food manufacturers, ingredients suppliers, distributors, food brokers, fast food franchises, managed services companies, and insurers.

Areas of Specialization: Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Food & Beverage Group: medium-sized; located in multiple cities including Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC.

**Crowell & Moring**

Multiple offices

[www.crowell.com](http://www.crowell.com)

[www.crowell.com/Practices/Advertising-Product-Risk-Management](http://www.crowell.com/Practices/Advertising-Product-Risk-Management)

Description (from website): Crowell & Moring's Advertising & Product Risk Management Group includes lawyers and professionals from their offices across the United States as well as in Europe, and brings deep knowledge in the wide range of necessary legal fields this work requires — including advertising, marketing, and consumer protection such as false advertising litigation, defense of government enforcement proceedings, privacy and data protection, sweepstakes and promotions, and warranties; chemicals and environmental; import/export; sourcing, supply chain, and distribution; trademark and intellectual property; product safety; reputation and crisis management; and defense of consumer class action and products liability litigation.

Areas of Specialization: Food Labeling, Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Advertising & Product Risk Management Group: large-sized; located in multiple offices including Brussels, New York, and Washington, D.C.

**Dechert LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.dechert.com](http://www.dechert.com)

[www.dechert.com/food\\_and\\_beverage/](http://www.dechert.com/food_and_beverage/)

Description (from website): Dechert's Food and Beverage Practice provides comprehensive representation in a wide range of areas, including corporate and securities transactions, antitrust and merger structuring and clearances, consumer fraud and product liability litigation, and the full range of

marketing, promotional, labeling, and intellectual property issues. They counsel clients on regulatory investigations and compliance including matters involving the Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Labeling, General Legal, Trade

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: medium-sized; located in multiple offices, including Brussels, London, Moscow, Paris, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC.

**DLA Piper LLP**

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Description (from website): DLA Piper represents a broad range of food, beverage, and tobacco companies in dispute resolution and regulatory compliance. They advise clients on the requirements of regulatory authorities, implementation of directives at local markets, and compliance in the context of multi-market, multi-product operations. DLA Piper's attorneys also address strategy and compliance in areas including marketing applications; labeling, promotion and advertising; quality regulations; registration and listing; import/export requirements; product recalls, withdrawals and field corrections; facilities inspections; government and internal investigations; indemnity agreements with suppliers; and insurance issues.

In the U.S., DLA Piper maintains an active federal regulatory practice counseling a broad range of companies that import, manufacture, process, distribute, and/or market FDA-regulated products, including foods, food additives, dietary supplements, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, animal drugs, biologics, and cosmetics. The firm represents clients on a wide variety of matters before FDA and USDA.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Labeling, General Legal, Trade

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: medium-sized; located in multiple offices, both domestically and internationally.

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Description (from website): Lawyers in Downey Brand's Food & Agricultural Law Practice advise clients on a broad range of issues affecting the Food and Agriculture industry, from air quality compliance to tax issues, from pesticide regulation to succession planning. They are also involved with the agencies that regulate the industry and the legislative committees that work to determine future regulation.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal

Size and Location of Food and Agriculture Law Group: large-sized; located in Sacramento, San Francisco, Stockton, Reno, and Roseville.

**Duane Morris**

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[www.duanemorris.com/practices/pharmaceutical\\_pharmacy\\_food.html](http://www.duanemorris.com/practices/pharmaceutical_pharmacy_food.html)

Description (from website): The firm forms attorney-client relationships with members of the food and dietary supplement industries to further the client's legal, regulatory, competitive, and other business objectives by employing a variety of available means. The attorneys counsel on regulatory compliance, enforcement risk and corrective action; draft notifications, petitions, and other voluntary or mandatory submissions; file complaints against competitors; and otherwise advance and defend client interests before courts as well as federal and state enforcement officials and in the marketplace.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Labeling, General Legal

Size and Location of Pharmaceutical, Medical Device, Pharmacy & Food Group: large-sized; located in multiple offices, including Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Houston, Las Vegas, New York, Philadelphia, San Diego, and San Francisco.

**Faegre Baker Daniels**

Multiple offices

[www.faegrebd.com](http://www.faegrebd.com)

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[www.faegrebd.com/Food-Distribution](http://www.faegrebd.com/Food-Distribution)

[www.faegrebd.com/Food-Processing-and-Technologies](http://www.faegrebd.com/Food-Processing-and-Technologies)

Description (from website): Faegre Baker Daniels represents many of the world's leading food and agriculture companies. The firm's lawyers are active members of the Food and Drug Law Institute, CropLife America, American Meat Institute, National Grain & Feed Association, Agricultural Retailers Association, International Dairy Foods Association, and International Foodservice Manufacturers Association, and their attorneys speak and write nationally on industry issues.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal

Size of Food and Agriculture Group: large-sized; multiple offices, including Minneapolis, Chicago, Denver, Des Moines, Indianapolis, and Washington, D.C.

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Description (from website): Fare Grange Law delivers high-quality legal services tailored to small and medium-sized farm and food operations, and the advocacy groups supporting those operations. "Good Food" enterprises need great legal counsel, but many have trouble finding lawyers who are accessible, who understand their unique business model, and who work well with those specialized agricultural and food enterprises.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal

Size of Firm: small-sized; located in Minneapolis.

### **The Food Law Firm**

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Description (from website): The Food Law Firm's mission is to provide excellent legal services to farmers and food entrepreneurs by utilizing their unique training and experience, passion for food, and profound respect for those efforts of those who work to provide healthy, delicious products to their customers and communities. The Food Law Firm has worked with farmers and food entrepreneurs throughout the country, helping them to establish successful businesses and to achieve greater market access. The firm's clients range across the spectrum of food entrepreneurs, including niche market farmers, restaurants, food processors and co-packers, specialty purveyors and importers, trade associations like the American Mangalitsa Breeders Association, and the highly-respected non-profit foundation, the Farmer-Veteran Coalition.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal

Size of Firm: small-sized; located in Sag Harbor.

### **Foley & Lardner LLP**

Multiple offices  
[www.foley.com](http://www.foley.com)  
[www.foley.com/food/](http://www.foley.com/food/)

Description (from website): Foley & Lardner's Food Industry Team provides legal and lobbying services for companies that produce, distribute, or sell food, and the businesses that deal with them. The firm represents manufacturers, processors, packers, farmers, warehousemen, distributors, brokers, wholesalers, and retailers in structuring their organizations, navigating regulatory processes, and protecting the proprietary rights associated with their products and technologies. The team also assists agribusinesses, importers/exporters, food service organizations, trade associations, and equipment manufacturers.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal, Trade

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: large-sized; located in Boston, Chicago, Jacksonville, Los Angeles, Madison, Miami, Milwaukee, New York, San Francisco, Silicon Valley, Tampa, and Washington, DC.

**Frost, Brown & Todd**

Multiple offices

[www.frostbrowntodd.com](http://www.frostbrowntodd.com)

[www.frostbrowntodd.com/services-industries-21.html](http://www.frostbrowntodd.com/services-industries-21.html)

Description (from website): Frost, Brown & Todd represents a variety of national and international manufacturers, retailers, suppliers, and distributors of food and beverage products. The firm counsels food and beverage clients on a wide variety of issues, including commercial and contract matters, labor issues, trade compliance, international matters, and merger and acquisition transactions.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal, International, Trade

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: medium-sized; located in Cincinnati, Columbus, Indianapolis, Louisville, and Nashville.

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Description (from website): Graham & Dunn's Food and Beverage Industry lawyers specialize in the overall business aspects of corporate product development, marketing, operations, and finance for food and beverage industry companies. The lawyers handle regulatory and other special legal requirements, from corporate governance and planning through execution of transactions and operations. Specifically, they counsel clients on laws and regulations governing production, labeling, marketing, distribution, advertising, consumer protection, privacy, e-commerce, and weights and measures. Areas of expertise include the formation, acquisition, and financing food and beverage businesses and facilities. They also regularly advise on health and safety, and product liability issues, as well as on insurance matters, food and beverage labeling, and provide tailored advice on product safety, product recall, crisis management, and enforcement actions. Their clients include food, and alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverage producers, retailers, suppliers, and distributors.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Labeling, Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: small-sized; located in Seattle.

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Description (from website): Haynes and Boone serves national and global restaurant chains, food suppliers, food service equipment manufacturers, and distributors. The firm's lawyers know the restaurant industry thoroughly, and have hands-on experience with solutions to both the everyday and unique challenges faced by franchisors, franchisees, operators, owners, and investor clients.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, General Legal

Size and Location of Restaurant and Foodservice Group: small-sized; located in Dallas and Houston.

**Hogan Lovells U.S. LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.hoganlovells.com](http://www.hoganlovells.com)

[www.hoganlovells.com/food-drug-medical-agriculture/](http://www.hoganlovells.com/food-drug-medical-agriculture/)

Description (from website): Many of the lawyers in Hogan Lovell's Food, Drug, Medical Device, and Agriculture practice are former officials with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, or other regulatory agencies. The team assists clients in areas such as product development and approval; development, implementation, and compliance with government inspection; food safety, labeling, and advertising requirements; product recalls; and regulatory and criminal investigations; as well as compliance with federal bioterrorism laws and other laws and regulations affecting the global marketing of food, drugs, and medical devices. Clients include manufacturers, distributors, retailers, research institutions, biotechnology firms, and trade associations.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Safety, General Legal, International

Size and Location of Food, Drug, Medical Device and Agriculture Group: small-sized; located in Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia.

**Holland & Knight LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.hklaw.com](http://www.hklaw.com)

[www.hklaw.com/Practices/Alcohol-Beverage/](http://www.hklaw.com/Practices/Alcohol-Beverage/)

Description (from website): Holland & Knight serves the alcohol, beverage, and hospitality industries in all legal matters related to the production, distribution, and sale of licensed beverages, including liquor law, the marketing and advertising of alcohol beverages, taxation, intellectual property, regulatory compliance, and dispute resolution. The Alcohol Beverage Team includes lawyers, government consultants, and other professionals who are former industry regulators. Team members regularly work with key Congressional committees, the U.S. Treasury's Alcohol Beverage Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau and other executive branch agencies such as the Food and Drug Administration, the Federal Trade Commission, the U.S. Bureau of Customs and Border Protection and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, General Legal

Size and Location of Alcohol Beverage Group: small-sized; located in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Chicago.

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Description (from website): Hunton & Williams Food Industry Regulatory Practice counsels and represents clients in all sectors of the food industry, from producers of agricultural commodities to companies manufacturing consumer products or operating restaurants.

The firm's Food and Drug practice consists of several attorneys formerly with the FDA's Office of the Chief Counsel, including a former FDA Chief Counsel, and regularly represents clients before the Food and Drug Administration, Federal Trade Commission, Drug Enforcement Administration, and United States Department of Agriculture.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Labeling, Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Food and Drug Group: small-sized; located primarily in Washington, D.C.

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Description (from website): Husch Blackwell's Food & Agribusiness Practice focuses on the specific needs of producers, processors, distributors, and sellers in the food industry. Its food clients are involved in food production from farm to table, planting to processing, and distribution.

Areas of Specialization: Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Food Law Group: large-sized; located in St. Louis and Kansas City.

**Hyman, Phelps, & McNamara, PC**

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Description (from website): Hyman, Phelps & McNamara, PC, is the largest dedicated food and drug law firm in the country. Our niche practices in the areas of new drug development, controlled substances, advertising, and health care law complement our core FDA practice. Our knowledge of the laws and regulations governing drugs, medical devices, foods, dietary supplements, and cosmetics is unparalleled in breadth and depth.

Attorneys have had experience in many branches of the federal government, including the Food and Drug Administration, the Department of Justice (Office of Consumer Litigation), U.S. Attorneys Offices, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Food Advertising, Food Labeling, General Legal

Size and Location of Food and Drug Group: large-sized; located in Washington D.C.

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Description (from website): Jenner & Block has represented national food manufacturers against nationwide class actions and individual claims arising out of alleged food contamination following a national recall of multiple product lines. The firm also represents clients in connection with related regulatory and law enforcement investigations.

Areas of Specialization: Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Products Liability, Food Contamination Team: medium-sized; located in Chicago.

**Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.kattenlaw.com](http://www.kattenlaw.com)

[www.kattenlaw.com/fooddrugandcosmetic/](http://www.kattenlaw.com/fooddrugandcosmetic/)

Description (from website): Katten's Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Group has substantial patent, trademark, and copyright capabilities and offers a strong chemical, pharmaceutical, and technology base to support the full life cycles of pharmaceuticals, biotechnology drugs, cosmetics, medical devices, diagnostics, foods, dietary supplements, and other products regulated by the FDA. In addition to Intellectual Property Litigation, the firm offers a full range of services, including litigation involving FDA and generic drug approval requirements.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, General Legal

Size and Location of Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Practice Group: small-sized; located in Chicago, New York, and Washington, DC.

**Keller and Heckman LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.khlaw.com](http://www.khlaw.com)

[www.khlaw.com/Food-and-Drug](http://www.khlaw.com/Food-and-Drug)

Description (from website): Keller and Heckman has a broad practice in the areas of regulatory law, litigation, and business transactions, serving both domestic and international clients. Since 1971, the

firm has had an in-house scientific staff that works closely with attorneys on matters of technical complexity. Many attorneys also have government experience and expertise in multiple areas of the law.

Keller and Heckman offers global food and drug services to its clients. The firm's comprehensive and extensive food and drug practice is one of the largest in the world. It promotes, protects, and defends products made by the spectrum of industries regulated by the FDA, the European Commission and Member States authorities in the European Union (EU), and similar authorities throughout the world. In addition, the firm has a very comprehensive practice in the regulation of packaging materials for food, drugs, and cosmetics and other food-contact articles.

In the U.S., Keller and Heckman has represented companies and trade associations before the FDA and Federal Trade Commission for over 40 years in all areas of the food (including animal and pet food) industry and allied industries. Keller and Heckman also represented clients in the EU for several decades. Since 1992, with the opening of its Brussels office, the firm takes an even more active role in providing input and advising clients regarding changes that will affect the marketing of food, dietary supplement, cosmetic, drug, and device products in Europe as the EU moves towards harmonization.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Labeling, General Legal

Size and Location of Food & Drug Group: large-sized; located mostly in Washington D.C.

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Description (from website): King & Spalding's FDA and Life Sciences focuses on representing pharmaceutical, medical device, biotechnology and other healthcare technology companies, as well as food manufacturers, in a wide range of regulatory, compliance, policy, and litigation matters. More than 33 lawyers and non-lawyer professionals in our Washington, DC, office provide sophisticated counseling and advice to more than 100 drug and device manufacturers and others in the healthcare technology sector, including nine of the 25 largest pharmaceutical manufacturers, and 18 of the 25 largest device manufacturers.

Areas of Specialization: Food Labeling, Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of FDA and Life Science Group: medium-sized; located mostly in Washington, DC, and Atlanta.

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Description (from website): Marler Clark was established in 1998 by the top food attorneys for the plaintiffs and defendants in the landmark litigation arising from the 1993 Jack in the Box E. coli outbreak. The firm has since represented thousands of victims of foodborne illness outbreaks across the country.

Marler Clark has litigated against huge corporations including Cargill, Dole, Wal-Mart, Wendy's, McDonald's, Nebraska Beef, Nestle, and Yum! Brands on behalf of clients injured in food borne illness outbreaks traced back to the companies' food products.

Areas of Specialization: Food Poisoning, General Legal

Size and Location of Practice: small-sized; located in Seattle.

**Mayer Brown**

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[www.mayerbrown.com/experience/Food-Industry-False-Advertising/](http://www.mayerbrown.com/experience/Food-Industry-False-Advertising/)

Description (from website): Mayer Brown is particularly renowned for its Supreme Court and appellate, litigation, corporate and securities, finance, real estate, and tax practices. The Food Industry False Advertising Group leverages the experience of lawyers in the firm's Consumer Litigation and Class Actions practice, along with their Supreme Court and Appellate practices. The team advises clients on how to minimize exposure to future false advertising claims, and has successfully resolved class actions in federal and state courts across the country; government investigations and enforcement actions by the FTC, state attorneys general, and other federal and state regulators; and claims in arbitration and before the National Advertising Division of the Council of the Better Business Bureaus.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, General Legal

Size and Location of Food Industry False Advertising Group: large-sized; located in Brussels, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Singapore, and Washington, DC.

**McDermott Will & Emery LLP**

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[www.mwe.com/food--beverage-agribusiness/#](http://www.mwe.com/food--beverage-agribusiness/#)

Description (from website): McDermott Will & Emery Food, Beverage & Agribusiness Practice draws upon significant experience in the private and public sectors to provide counsel and representation across the entire spectrum of issues faced by the food and beverage industry. Their lawyers advise on important industry-related issues including administrative litigation, food safety, chemicals, additives and biologics, biotechnology, product labeling, agriculture cooperatives, alcoholic beverages, farm programs, international trade, legislative representation, product development and testing, regulatory issues and taxation concerns.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Food Labeling, Food Safety, General Legal, International, Trade

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: large-sized; located in multiple offices, including Boston, Chicago, London, Los Angeles, New York, Paris, and Washington, DC.

**McGuireWoods**

Multiple offices

[www.mcguirewoods.com](http://www.mcguirewoods.com)

[www.mcguirewoods.com/Services/Industries/Food-Beverage.aspx#overview](http://www.mcguirewoods.com/Services/Industries/Food-Beverage.aspx#overview)

Description (from website): McGuireWoods' Food and Beverage Industry team provides comprehensive services domestically and internationally. The firm's lawyers counsel companies that produce, distribute, or sell food and beverages, as well as the businesses that deal with them worldwide. They represent manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, distributors, processors, brewers, vintners, bottlers, packers, farmers, storage holders, and brokers. Services run the full spectrum of matters, including: obtaining land on which to build facilities; recalling products and litigating food safety cases; investigating employee complaints and labor relations as well as OSHA concerns; negotiating complex commercial agreements along the supply chain; advising on antitrust concerns; advising on air and water rights, permitting and state and federal environmental concerns; assisting with large technology and business processing outsourcing transactions; and providing general securities advice on numerous exchanges.

Areas of Specialization: Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: large-sized; located in multiple offices, including Atlanta, Austin, Brussels, Charlotte, Charlottesville, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Jacksonville, London, Los Angeles, New York, Pittsburgh, Raleigh, and Richmond.

**McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP**

Multiple offices

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Description (from website): McKenna Long & Aldridge's Food and Drug lawyers assist manufacturers of food ingredients in preparing and filing citizen petitions, comments on USDA and FDA proposals, food additive petitions, and generally recognized as safe (GRAS) affirmation petitions. Other client services include: devising strategies for the safety evaluation of food ingredients; reviewing new product formulations; reviewing food labels and advertisements; advising on contractual and product liability issues; providing advice on pesticides and contaminants in foods; counseling clients regarding state environmental and labeling laws, such as California's Proposition 65.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Advertising, Food Labeling, Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Food Team: small-sized; located in Orange County, CA, San Francisco, and Washington, DC.

**Nixon Peabody LLP**

Multiple Offices

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Description (from website): Nixon Peabody represents food producers, food distributors, and consumer packaged goods companies in matters relating to compliance with Food and Drug Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Consumer Product Safety Commission, and Federal Trade Commission

regulatory issues, "generally recognized as safe" (GRAS) determinations, product recalls, facility inspections, and government investigations. The firm's clients are involved in the production, development, manufacture, and distribution of both conventional and medical foods in the U.S. and internationally, and include manufacturers of food products, functional foods or nutraceuticals, genetically modified foods, and dietary supplements.

Areas of Specialization: Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Food, Beverage, & Agriculture Team: large-sized; located in Albany, Boston, Buffalo, Long Island, Los Angeles, Manchester, New York, Providence, Rochester, and San Francisco.

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Description (from website): OFW attorneys lobby Congress and administrative agencies; write comments and muster coalitions of related interests in rulemakings; counsel on regulatory compliance, enforcement risk, and corrective action; draft notifications, petitions, and other voluntary or mandatory submissions; file complaints against competitors; and otherwise advance and defend client interests before courts, before federal and state enforcement officials, and in the marketplace. In addition, attorneys have daily contact with agencies throughout the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and have worked with officials in, and have themselves served at, the highest levels of the Department.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Food Safety, General Legal, International

Size and Location of Team: medium-sized; located in Washington D.C.

**Patton Boggs LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.pattonboggs.com](http://www.pattonboggs.com)

[www.pattonboggs.com/practice/food-and-drug](http://www.pattonboggs.com/practice/food-and-drug)

Description (from website): Patton Boggs' Food and Drug Practice group clients include traditional food, drug, biologics, device, and dietary supplement companies, as well as trade associations, multi-level marketing companies, advertising agencies, catalog companies, and Internet-based companies. Clients range in stature from global, multi-national corporations to newly launched "start-ups" with a wide spectrum of matters arising from the regulation of all food, dietary supplements, pharmaceutical drugs and biologics, medical devices, cosmetics, and tobacco products, including strategic advice on obtaining market approval, determining regulatory strategies, navigating regulations and the agencies that create and enforce them and assessing regulatory and business risks associated with a particular strategy. They also represent clients facing federal enforcement actions, and conduct due diligence in support of a range of corporate transactions.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal

Size and Location of Food and Drug Group: small-sized; located in Washington, D.C.

**Perkins Coie LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.perkinscoie.com](http://www.perkinscoie.com)

[www.perkinscoie.com/food\\_beverage/](http://www.perkinscoie.com/food_beverage/)

[www.perkinscoie.com/winery\\_vineyard/](http://www.perkinscoie.com/winery_vineyard/)

Description (from website): Perkins Coie serves as general outside counsel for many food and beverage clients, counseling them on all aspects of their businesses. The firm's clients include food and beverage retailers, grocers, food processors, agricultural businesses, manufacturers, restaurants, franchises, and those providing prepared meals, water, wine, and beer, along with food preparation, catering, and other related services.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, General Legal

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: medium-sized; located in Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, Portland, San Francisco, and Seattle.

Size of Winery and Vineyard Group: medium-sized; located in multiple West Coast offices.

**Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.pillsburylaw.com](http://www.pillsburylaw.com)

[www.pillsburylaw.com/restaurant-food-and-beverage](http://www.pillsburylaw.com/restaurant-food-and-beverage)

Description (from website): Pillsbury's Restaurant, Food and Beverage Practice provides counsel and representation to a wide range of national and regional restaurant chains, wineries, early-stage restaurant ventures, packaged food companies, importers, distilleries, licensors, manufacturing companies, and franchisors. Pillsbury's Wine, Beer, and Spirits Law Practice is nationally ranked by Chambers USA.

Areas of Specialization: Food Labeling, General Legal

Size and Location of Restaurant, Food and Beverage Group and Wine, Beer, and Spirits Group: large-sized; located in multiple U.S. offices but mostly in California.

**Rincker Law PLLC**

535 Fifth Avenue

4th Floor

New York, NY 10017

Tel: (212) 427-2049

Fax: (212) 202-6077

[cari@rinckerlaw.com](mailto:cari@rinckerlaw.com)

Description (from website): Rincker Law, PLLC is a national general practice law firm concentrating in food/agriculture law and family/matrimonial law.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture/Agricultural Law, Environment/Sustainability, Food Labeling, Labor, Land Use/Conservation

Size and Location of Food and Agriculture Group: small; located in New York.

**Robinson & Cole LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.rc.com](http://www.rc.com)

[www.rc.com/industries/AccommodationFoodService.cfm](http://www.rc.com/industries/AccommodationFoodService.cfm)

[www.rc.com/industries/AgricultureForestryFishing.cfm](http://www.rc.com/industries/AgricultureForestryFishing.cfm)

Description: Robinson & Cole assists farmers and other food producers, food and beverage manufacturers, retailers, distributors, restaurants, and associated industries in legal matters representing all stages of the life cycle of a company, from concept to market to ultimate sale of the company.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, General Legal, Public Health

Size and Location of Food and Beverage Group: medium-sized; located in multiple offices, including Boston and Hartford.

**Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP**

333 South Hope Street

43rd Floor

Los Angeles, CA 90071

Tel: (213) 620-1780

Fax: (213) 620-1398

[www.sheppardmullin.com](http://www.sheppardmullin.com)

[www.sheppardmullin.com/industries-28.html](http://www.sheppardmullin.com/industries-28.html)

Description (from website): Sheppard Mullin's Agribusiness team counsels companies that grow, process, and distribute food products. The firm advises clients throughout the production and distribution chain on all aspects of their operations: business and financial counseling, litigation and dispute resolution, regulation (including environmental and labor and employment matters), intellectual property protection, interstate transportation, and product labeling and distribution law, and public policy advocacy. Clients represent the full spectrum of companies involved in agribusiness and food production, processing and distribution including: food producers, including farms, dairies and cooperatives; processors of agricultural commodities including specialty processors of meat, poultry, vegetable and dairy products; distributors of alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, and spirits), ethnic foods and other specialty food products, and wholesale distribution operations serving the grocery industry; manufacturers of equipment for the harvesting, processing and preservation of food products; restaurant management companies; providers of specialized industry services to the agribusiness and food industry; alternative fuel producers including ethanol and biodiesel; chemical manufacturers, distributors and applicators.

Areas of Specialization: Food Labeling, General Legal, Trade

Size and Location of Agribusiness Group: small-sized; located in Los Angeles.

**Shook, Hardy & Bacon L.L.P.**

2555 Grand Blvd.

Kansas City, Missouri 64108

Tel: (816) 474-6550

Fax: (816) 421-5547

[www.shb.com](http://www.shb.com)

[www.shb.com/practice\\_areas.aspx?id=81](http://www.shb.com/practice_areas.aspx?id=81)

Description (from website): The SHB Agribusiness and Food Safety Practice assists clients with complex litigation. The practice focuses on integrated issues management involving preventative measures, internal auditing, public relations strategies, and tort reform initiatives. The firm also provides expertise on corporate compliance, internal and external education programs, document retention and technology solutions, and crisis management.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Safety, General Legal

Size and Location of Agribusiness and Food Safety Practice Team: medium-sized; located in multiple offices, including Kansas City.

**Shutts & Bowen**

Suite 1500

201 South Biscayne Boulevard

Miami, FL 33131

Tel: (305) 358-6300

[www.shutts.com](http://www.shutts.com)

[www.shutts.com/industries-Hospitality-Food-Beverage.html](http://www.shutts.com/industries-Hospitality-Food-Beverage.html)

Description (from website): Shutts & Bowen serves restaurants ranging from fast food to fine dining. The firm also works with bars and vendors on a variety of legal issues that include financing, business law, liquor licensing, regulatory issues, trademarks, employment, litigation, construction, real estate, and land use.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal

Size and Location of Hospitality/Food & Beverage Group: medium-sized; located in Florida offices.

**Sidley Austin LLP**

Multiple Offices

[www.sidley.com](http://www.sidley.com)

[www.sidley.com/Agribusiness-Industries/](http://www.sidley.com/Agribusiness-Industries/)

[www.sidley.com/food-drug-device-compliance](http://www.sidley.com/food-drug-device-compliance)

[www.sidley.com/food-drug-device-regulatory](http://www.sidley.com/food-drug-device-regulatory)

Description (from website): Sidley's global agribusiness team works across the supply chain in a wide variety of industry sectors, including seed genomics, crop nutrition and protection, organics, water and irrigation, bio-fuel production and distribution, precision agriculture, information technology, aquaculture, vertical and urban farming, processing and distribution, supply and storage, retailing and marketing, equipment manufacturing, and finance, investment, and lending.

Sidley's Food, Drug, and Medical Device Regulatory lawyers represent major pharmaceutical, biotechnology, medical device, food (including dietary supplement), tobacco product, and cosmetics companies in the U.S., European Union, and Asia. In the food arena, the group helps navigate regulatory pathways for medical foods, foods for special dietary use, conventional foods, dairy products, and dietary supplements, and has represented both major finished product and ingredient suppliers on a number of regulatory issues on three continents. Safety determinations for dietary supplements and foods are becoming an increasing part of their team's work. A number of their lawyers have worked at the Food and Drug Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Federal Trade Commission, and the European Medicines Agency in various senior positions.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Food Safety, General Legal, International

Size and Location of Agribusiness Group: medium-sized; located in multiple offices, including Washington D.C. and Brussels.

Size and Location of Food, Drug and Medical Device Regulatory and Compliance Groups: large-sized; located in multiple offices including Brussels, New York, Washington, DC.

**Steptoe & Johnson LLP**

1330 Connecticut Avenue NW

Washington, DC 20036

Tel: (202) 429-3000

Fax: (202) 429-3902

[www.steptoe.com](http://www.steptoe.com)

[www.steptoe.com/industries-40.html](http://www.steptoe.com/industries-40.html)

Description (from website): Steptoe & Johnson's Food and Agriculture Practice assists clients with a variety of legal matters, including: regulatory issues; food labeling and point-of-purchase consistent with FDA and USDA requirements; direct and indirect food additive petitions; food contact substance notifications; import and export issues. Steptoe also advises clients on a broad range of compliance and enforcement issues related to food production, including federal regulatory approaches to genetically modified organisms, state requirements such as California's Proposition 65, and product recall strategies.

Areas of Specialization: Environment/Sustainability, Food Advertising, Food Labeling, General Legal, International

Size and Location of Food & Agriculture Group: small-sized; located in multiple offices, including Washington, D.C.

**Stoel Rives LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.stoel.com](http://www.stoel.com)

[www.stoel.com/food-and-agribusiness](http://www.stoel.com/food-and-agribusiness)

[www.stoel.com/food-liability-law](http://www.stoel.com/food-liability-law)

Description (from website): Stoel Rives's Food and Agribusiness lawyers have worked for decades with food, beverage and hospitality clients on virtually every aspect of their business, including corporate, finance, intellectual property, regulatory compliance, marketing law, employment, and real estate. The firm places high importance on its relationships with industry participants, including staffs at key regulatory agencies such as the FDA and the Federal Trade Commission, as well as with industry groups

such as the Food Alliance, the Nutritional Law Symposium, the Washington State Hotel and Lodging Association, and the Oregon Wine Growers Association.

The firm's Food Liability team offers access to leading experts in foodborne illnesses and emerging issues affecting food industries. Stoel Rives is in the vanguard of food liability litigation, handling class actions and individual suits that involve bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE, commonly known as mad cow disease), E. coli O121:H19, and artificial food coloring.

Areas of Specialization: Food Labeling, General Legal, International

Size and Location of Food and Agribusiness Group: large-sized; located in multiple offices.

Size and Location of Food Liability Group: medium-sized; located in multiple West Coast offices.

**Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP**

999 Peachtree Street, NE

Atlanta, GA 30309

Tel: (404) 853-8000

Fax: (404) 853-8806

[www.sutherland.com](http://www.sutherland.com)

Description (from website): Sutherland Asbill & Brennan has an active practice in food and drug regulatory law. The firm's clients in the field include both domestic and multinational manufacturers of products regulated by the FDA, such as pharmaceuticals, over-the-counter medications, medical devices, cosmetics, paperboard and plastic food packaging materials, animal feed additives, and substances used in food processing. The firm also represents manufacturers of controlled substances in both administrative and court proceedings involving the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Areas of Specialization: General Legal, International

Size of Food and Drug Group: small-sized (within other practice/industries); located in Atlanta and Washington, DC.

**Venable LLP**

Multiple offices

[www.venable.com](http://www.venable.com)

[www.venable.com/dietary-supplement-cosmetic-and-functional-foods-practices](http://www.venable.com/dietary-supplement-cosmetic-and-functional-foods-practices)

Description (from website): With decades of FDA and marketplace experience, Venable helps clients at every step of the product life cycle—from product development and regulatory approval/clearance to advertising, marketing, and distribution. The firm also provides services related to trade secrets, patents, trademarks, and copyrights. Venable attorneys structure and negotiate licenses, research contracts and technology transfer agreements.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Labeling, General Legal

Size and Location of Dietary Supplements, Cosmetics and Functional Food Group: medium-sized; located in multiple offices, including Washington, DC.

**Wiley Rein LLP**  
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Washington, DC 20006  
Tel: (202) 719-7000  
Fax: (202) 719-7049  
[www.wileyrein.com/](http://www.wileyrein.com/)  
[www.wileyrein.com/practices.cfm?sp=overview&id=20](http://www.wileyrein.com/practices.cfm?sp=overview&id=20)

Description (from website): Wiley Rein's Food & Drug Law Practice handles both complex legal and regulatory challenges and the more routine but crucial regulatory tasks required of FDA-regulated companies in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, medical device, food and dietary supplement industries. The firm's work falls within the following broad categories: product development and approval strategies; competitive regulatory strategies; enforcement and white collar defense; administrative advocacy and litigation before agencies and the courts; promotion and advertising compliance and enforcement; and transactional support.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, General Legal

Size and Location of Food & Drug Law Group: medium-sized; located in multiple offices, including Washington, DC.

**Winston & Strawn LLP**  
Multiple offices  
[www.winston.com](http://www.winston.com)  
[www.winston.com/en/what-we-do/sectors/food-beverage-and-agriculture/index.html](http://www.winston.com/en/what-we-do/sectors/food-beverage-and-agriculture/index.html)

Description (from website): Winston & Strawn represents a significant number of food, beverage, and agriculture companies in a variety of corporate transactions, particularly in mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, and restructuring and insolvency matters. The firm has also successfully litigated major cases for clients in this sector in disputes related to intellectual property and advertising, labor and employment, antitrust, and product liability matters.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, General Legal

Size and Location of Food, Beverage and Agriculture Group: large-sized; located in multiple offices, including Charlotte, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco, and Washington, DC.

## section seven: consulting & consultancy firms

Consulting is another field in which agriculture and food lawyers can play a role. Government and non-governmental organizations often hire consulting firms to conduct research and provide policy advice, which can help shape food law and policy in many parts of the world.

Most consulting firms have unique, alternative positions for both new and experienced lawyers and also provide valuable services to the world's largest producers. To that end, one can get involved and provide his or her unique perspective on emerging issues in the food system, both domestically and internationally. One major advantage in joining a consultancy firm is global mobility; it is not uncommon for a consultant to relocate to several countries during the course of his or her career.

This section of the report highlights some options for a lawyer focused on agriculture and food law in a consultancy firm.

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### **Bain & Company**

131 Dartmouth Street

Boston, MA 02116

Tel: (617) 572-2000

Fax: (617) 572-2427

[www.bain.com](http://www.bain.com)

[www.bain.com/industry-expertise/industrial-goods-and-services/agribusiness.aspx](http://www.bain.com/industry-expertise/industrial-goods-and-services/agribusiness.aspx)

Description (from website): Bain's global Agribusiness team has worked on over 380 cases across the agriculture value chain. The team works jointly with agricultural companies to address opportunities in several areas and sectors of the business, including: agricultural chemicals and fertilizer producers; biofuels; protein (beef, pork, chicken, turkey, fish); dairy; crops (corn, oilseeds, wheat, rice, sugarcane); and agricultural equipment (tractors, grain/protein processing equipment).

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture and Agricultural Law, Biotechnology and GMOs

Employment: See [www.joinbain.com](http://www.joinbain.com).

### **BEVMARK**

799 West Highway 246

P.O. Box 1729

Buellton, CA 93427

Tel: (805) 693-0154

Fax: (805) 693-1354

[www.bevmarkconsulting.com](http://www.bevmarkconsulting.com)

Description (from website): Since 1978, BEVMARK has been the leading specialty management consultant in the international food and beverage industries (F&B). BEVMARK works only in food and beverage, using seasoned veteran industry consultants. It has advised governments, the CEOs and CFOs of the world's top F&B companies, leading banks and funds, major law firms, generalist consultants firms such as McKinsey and Bain as well as entrepreneurs and startups. It has been cited in over fifteen hundred articles in the business media as a primary expert in F&B issues.

BEVMARK works extensively in the legal sector, as a litigation consultant advising lawyers on industry-related matters and strategy for cases. They supply expert witness testimony in federal and state courts. BEVMARK has been admitted as an expert on antitrust and its opinions cited in judgments in proceedings before the U.S. Federal Trade Commission. They have advised on antitrust matters and the Competition Law in the European Union, as well as on legal and registration matters in China. They have consulted on retainer to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), as well as serve as an expert witness and researcher for the DOJ. They have worked on behalf of clients with State authorities such as the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control. They also advise general counsels and in-house lawyers, as well as their assigned outside law firms.

Their work encompasses virtually all issues involving legal matters in the food and beverage industries including antitrust, unfair competition, Lanham Act, Intellectual Property, regulations, legislation, approvals, contractual disputes, terminations, bankruptcy, class action suits, product liability, and damage analysis.

Areas of Specialization: Food Advertising, Food Marketing, Legal Advocacy/Litigation, General Legal Employment: See the Contact link at [www.bevmarkconsulting.com/](http://www.bevmarkconsulting.com/).

**Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited**

30 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, NY 10112  
[www.deloitte.com](http://www.deloitte.com)

[www.deloitte.com/view/en\\_US/us/Services/consulting/e066b4b47451b210VgnVCM2000001b56f00aRCRD.htm](http://www.deloitte.com/view/en_US/us/Services/consulting/e066b4b47451b210VgnVCM2000001b56f00aRCRD.htm)

Description (from website): Deloitte's Agriculture and Food Security (AG/FS) team applies value chain, finance, policy, training and market linkage methodologies to improve availability and affordability of inputs, agriculture production, post-harvest handling, output markets and price discovery information, and exports, with improvements to farmer and other stakeholder capabilities to generate higher volumes and efficiencies that increase household incomes. The team works closely with Deloitte's member firms around the world to leverage their international presence and commercial network to produce public/private sector alliances that arrive at commercially viable solutions for long-term agriculture development and food security impact. Their member firms in Latin America, Southeast Asia, and Africa share their passion for serving the private and public sector, supporting the Emerging Markets AG/FS position as a leader in agribusiness development.

Areas of Specialization: Agriculture and Agricultural Law, Biotechnology and GMOs, Hunger/Food Security

Employment: See <http://careers.deloitte.com/jobs/eng-global>.

**KPMG**

Multiple offices  
[www.kpmg.com](http://www.kpmg.com)  
[www.kpmg.com/US/en/industry/food-drink-consumer-goods/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.kpmg.com/US/en/industry/food-drink-consumer-goods/Pages/default.aspx)

Description (from website): The professionals in KPMG's Food, Drink, and Consumer Goods (FDCCG) practice have extensive experience working with clients across all segments of the industry. The team

offers a number of services to help clients address the issues they face, in the key areas of governance, performance, technology, and growth. These issues include: shifts in consumer behavior; reporting and regulation—corporate governance and stakeholder expectations, IFRS; sustainability and the environment; business operating model structure; operational efficiency—supply chain management, commodity price volatility, sourcing, business intelligence; integration of new technology; financial management—cost management, budgeting, and forecasting and tax strategies; innovation and R&D; market entry and expansion; and, mergers and acquisitions.

Areas of Specialization: Biotechnology and GMOs, Environment/Sustainability

Employment: *see* [www.kpmg.com/us/en/careers/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.kpmg.com/us/en/careers/Pages/default.aspx).

**McKinsey & Company**

Multiple offices

[www.mckinsey.com](http://www.mckinsey.com)

Description (from website): McKinsey's Agriculture group has more than seventy-five practitioners who work closely with the Consumer Packaged Goods, Sustainability & Resource Productivity, and Social Sector practices to support clients on a broad range of topics. The team's work focuses on delivering McKinsey's functional know-how to players along the agriculture value chain. Some of their unique capabilities include: investment opportunities; raw materials management; farm operations improvement; fresh food supply chain management; and rural development.

Areas of Specialization: Community Development, Food Safety, Rural Issues

Employment: *See* [www.mckinsey.com/careers.aspx](http://www.mckinsey.com/careers.aspx).

## section eight: food listservs

This section includes a group of listservs that may help to link attorneys with various food policy institutions and organizations that are working to improve the food system and that may help you identify other targeted opportunities.

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### **Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS)**

The Listserv is a communications forum created and designed for the membership of the Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) to discuss issues and share news related to food and society.  
*See [www.food-culture.org/asfs-listserv/](http://www.food-culture.org/asfs-listserv/).*

### **CDC Public Health Law News**

The CDC Public Health Law News is a monthly e-mail digest of current, worldwide news stories, court opinions, announcements, and special features related to public health law and legislation. The News is free and available to anyone with an interest in public health law.

*See [www.cdc.gov/phlp/news/current.html](http://www.cdc.gov/phlp/news/current.html).*

### **COMFOOD**

COMFOOD is an email list created to link individuals and organizations involved with or interested in community food security (CFS).

*See [elist.tufts.edu/wws/subscribe/comfood](http://elist.tufts.edu/wws/subscribe/comfood).*

### **Food and Drug Administration Listserv**

The free e-mail alert service allows you to receive important FDA news and information as they become available.

*See [www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/ContactFDA/StayInformed/GetEmailUpdates/default.htm](http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/ContactFDA/StayInformed/GetEmailUpdates/default.htm).*

### **Food and Drug Law Institute**

The Food and Drug Law Institute (FDLI) is a non-profit organization that provides an opportunity for discussing food and drug law issues through conferences, publications, and member interactions. FDLI's mailing list provides email updates about FDLI conferences and FDLI's many publications.

*See <https://portal.fdl.org/Profile/CreateNewUser.aspx>.*

### **Food Planning Listserv**

The Food Planning Listserv is designed to connect urban planning academics and practitioners who are interested in examining connections between urban planning and policy and the food system.

*See [mailman2.u.washington.edu/mailman/listinfo/foodplanning](mailto:mailman2.u.washington.edu/mailman/listinfo/foodplanning).*

### **Food Safety Web**

Foodsafe has been the vehicle for food safety professionals to share information, toss around theories, trade experiences and sometimes just plain disagree with each other since 1995.

*See [www.foodsafetyweb.info/](http://www.foodsafetyweb.info/).*

### **Immigrant Farming Listserv**

The Immigrant Farming Listserv is designed to provide news and updates from ImmigrantFarming.org and the National Immigrant Farming Initiative.

*See [www.immigrantfarming.org/index.html](http://www.immigrantfarming.org/index.html).*

**NEFOOD Listserv**

NEFOOD-L, hosted by Tufts University, is devoted to the topic of food systems in the Northeastern states. Topics discussed include farming, sustainable agriculture, community food security, community development, education, rural development, urban farming and gardening, anti-hunger, economic development, local food systems, horticulture, forestry, direct marketing, culinary arts, conservation, land preservation, public health, nutrition, public policy and related fields.

*See [www.nefood.org/page/nefood-listserv](http://www.nefood.org/page/nefood-listserv).*

**United States Department of Agriculture Listserv Database**

The USDA Listserv Database provides a master list of several government and non-profit organization listservs. *See [fnic.nal.usda.gov/professional-and-career-resources/listservs-and-blogs](http://fnic.nal.usda.gov/professional-and-career-resources/listservs-and-blogs).*

**University of Arkansas Food and Agriculture Law LLM Program Listserv**

The University of Arkansas Food and Ag. Law LLM Program Listserv is designed to serve as an employment resource for prospective graduates of the program, but is accessible and free for the public to access. From Public Health Law to Nutrition Policy positions, among various other job opportunities, *see [agfoodlawjobs.blogspot.com/](http://agfoodlawjobs.blogspot.com/).*