



Kane County

KC Agriculture Committee

Agenda

Government Center
719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A
Geneva, IL 60134

JUBY, Roth, Allan, Lenert, Penesis, Sanchez, Williams and ex-officio Pierog (County Chair)

Thursday, July 17, 2025

10:30 AM

County Board Room

2025 Committee Goals

Goals from the July Agriculture Committee meeting

- Revise County Code Definition of the Agriculture Committee
 - Awareness & Support of Agriculture - Raise public awareness and support for agriculture in Kane County as an industry sector and community resource
 - Farmland Protection - Work in concert with the Farmland Protection Commission and County Board to oversee the successful implementation of Kane County's Farmland Protection Ordinance and related conservation efforts, and pursue funding
 - Continue Growing for Kane Program - Direct the implementation of programs and policies that expand the production of locally grown foods and improve community access to fresh and healthy food choices, and pursue funding
 - Continue partnerships with Kane County Farm Bureau and Northern Illinois Food Bank
 - Implement current grant funded projects
 - Continue to apply for additional outside grants
 - Implement economic development projects for Agriculture
 - ARPA Small grants for farmers
 - Other projects identified by the Economic Development Strategic Plan for Kane County
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1. **Call To Order**
 2. **Roll Call**
 3. **Remote Attendance Requests**
 4. **Approval of Minutes: May 22, 2025**
 5. **Public Comment**
 6. **Partners**
 - A. Kane County Farm Bureau Updates (Steve Arnold, Manager)
 - B. Northern Illinois Food Bank Updates (Robert Desio, Senior Manager of Public Policy and Benefits)
 - C. Master Urban Farmer Training Program 2025 (Alexis Barnes, Extension Educator)
 7. **Presentations/Announcements**
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- A. Conference Recap and Local Food and Farm Funding Options (Janice Hill, Consultant)
- B. Kane County Food Systems 2025 Update (Ellen Kamps, Consultant)

- 8. **New Business**
- 9. **Reports Placed On File**
- 10. **Executive Session (if needed)**
- 11. **Adjournment**