

### SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AG CENTER Cooperative Extension

"Linking Citizens of Louisiana with Opportunities for Success"



Food and Farm Food Safety



Sustainable Urban Agriculture





Small Business Development

Master Small Ruminant

# **CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS**

### Enhancing Capacity of Louisiana's Small Farms and Businesses



The **Mobile Education and Technology Center** is a high-tech training classroom outfitted with state of the art equipment. This mobile center travels across the State of Louisiana bringing Internet access, hands on testing and live instruction to the most marginalized and remote areas of the state.

#### **NEW Certification Programs**

Food & Farm Food Safety Training Small Ag & Businesses Development Master Small Ruminant Sustainable Urban Agriculture The Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center's (**SUAREC**) Agricultural Education *Technical Assistance and Training Program* is brought to you in partnership with the **State of Louisiana Division of Administration Office of Community Development**.

Through this prodigious partnership we are equipped to:

- · Maximize the income of Small Businesses
- Increase the knowledge of food and farm food safety practices
- Create safer locally grown and prepared foods
- Increase the number of certified food and farm workers
- Enhance better decision making to all participants receiving training(s)

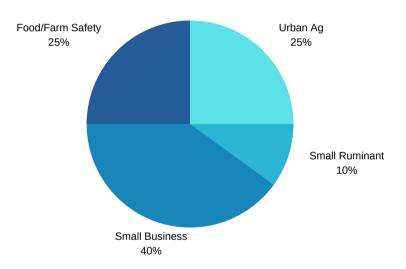
## Louisiana Parishes Served



Over thirty parishes serviced and more than 1,900+ participants have received certifications through the Enhancing Capacity of Louisiana Small Farms & Businesses project.

The chart represents the percentages of certifications offered by specified program. While Small Business yields the highest number, the Sustainable Ag and Food Safety programs continue to raise the interest of our stakeholders.

## **Certifications Offered**





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