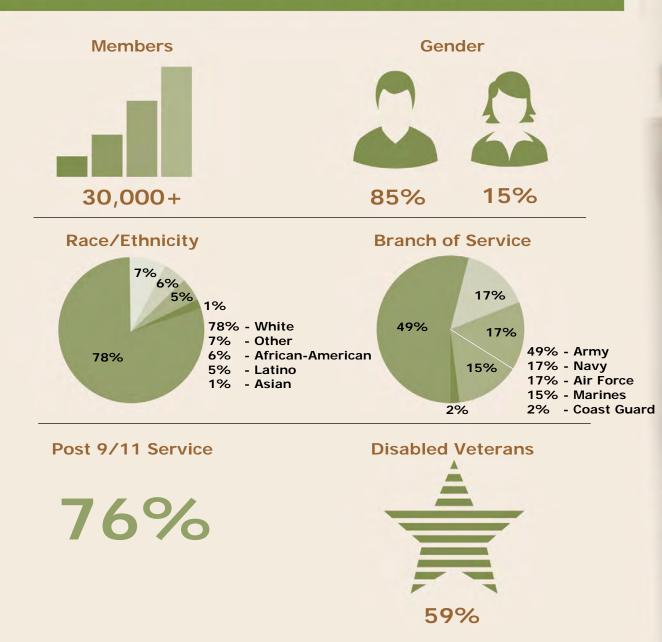


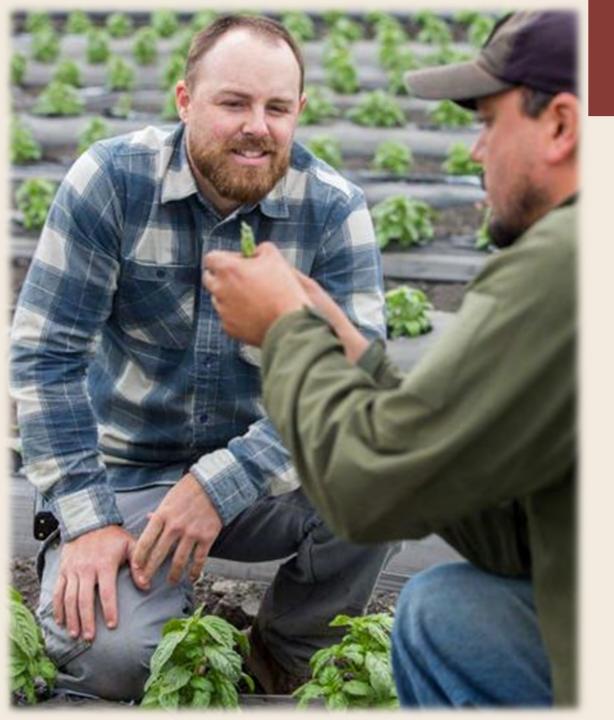
### Mobilizing veterans to feed America

**MISSION STATEMENT:** We cultivate a new generation of farmers and food leaders, and develop viable employment and meaningful careers through the collaboration of the farming and military communities. We believe that veterans possess the unique skills and character needed to strengthen rural communities and create sustainable food systems. We believe that agriculture offers purpose, opportunity, and physical and psychological benefits.

## Who Are FVC's Members?







## What Does FVC Do For Its Members?

- Career Counseling
- Technical Support
- Benefit Guidance
- Peer-to-Peer Support
- Resource Referral
- Corporate Discounts
- FVC Organization Programs

# Homegrown by Heroes Label

- The official farmer veteran branding program of America.
- Certifies eligible farmers and ranchers of all military eras to sell their product as owned and produced by U.S. military veterans.
- 2,000+ Famer Veterans in all 50 states proudly display the label
- 20 partnerships with State Departments of Agriculture











## **Farmer Veteran Fellowship Fund**

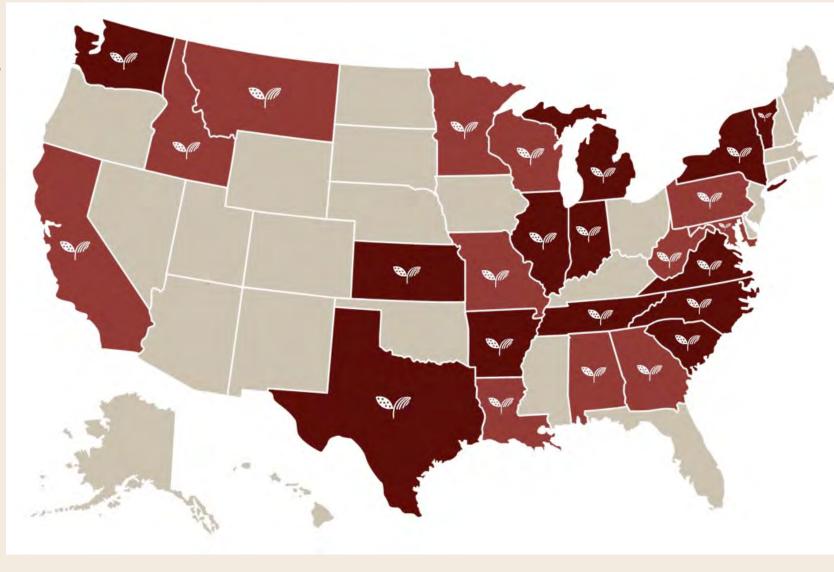
- Small grant program that provides direct assistance to veterans who are in their beginning years of farming or ranching.
- Awards range from \$1,000 to \$5,000; more than \$3 million has been awarded to veterans since 2011.
- Equipment purchases made on behalf of recipients, and often make critical differences in beginning military producer's operation.



#### **State Chapters**

#### **Pending Chapters**

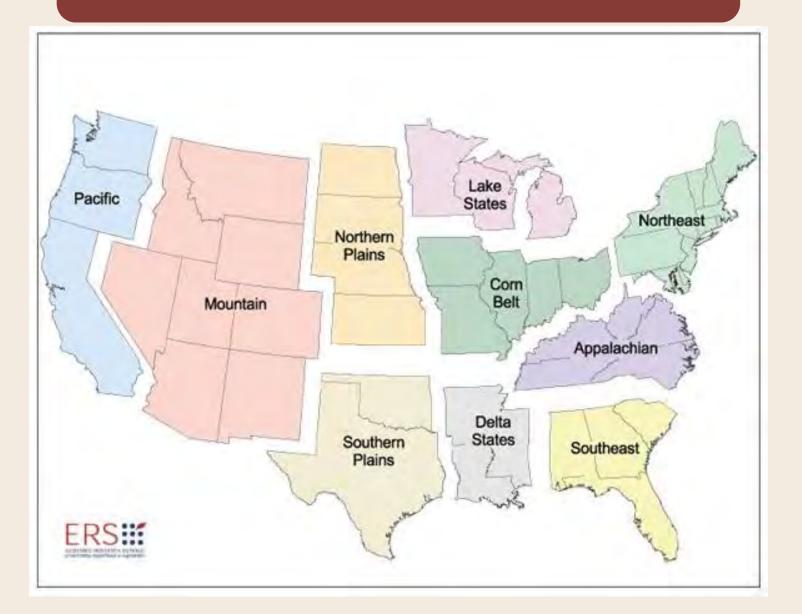
- California
- Idaho
- Montana
- Missouri
- Minnesota
- Wisconsin
- Pennsylvania
- West Virginia
- Maryland
- Georgia
- Alabama
- Louisiana



#### **Current Chapters**

- Washington
- Texas
- Kansas
- Arkansas
- Tennessee
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Michigan
- Virginia
- North Carolina
- New York
- South Carolina
- Vermont

# **USDA Production Regions**



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