

NCAT SE TOPP

Past Accomplishments, Current Initiatives, and Future Opportunities

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Who is NCAT?

National Center for Appropriate Technology

NCAT is a national nonprofit that advances sustainable agriculture through practical, science-based solutions.



**SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS
FOR RESILIENT FARMS
AND COMMUNITIES**

WHAT WE DO



FREE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

One-on-one help for farmers, ranchers, and growers.



PUBLICATIONS & RESOURCES

Research-based guides, fact sheets, and production manuals.



EDUCATION & TRAINING

Webinars, workshops, online courses, and field days.



VIDEOS & PODCASTS

Practical information you can watch or listen to anytime.



SUSTAINABLE & ORGANIC SOLUTIONS

Supporting healthy soil, healthy food, and resilient communities.



SERVING THE U.S. & CARIBBEAN

Trusted by producers across the U.S. and in the Caribbean.



ATTRA

Sustainable Agriculture Program

ATTRA provides practical information and solutions to help farmers and ranchers build profitable, sustainable farms.



PRACTICAL. TRUSTED. ALWAYS FREE.



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Funded by the USDA
Transition to Organic
Partnership Program
(TOPP)



My passion is helping farmers build healthy soils, diversify systems, and create resilient, thriving communities across the Caribbean.

Meet Your Specialist

Gabriella Soto-Velez

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE SPECIALIST

I work with farmers, gardeners, and partners across Florida and the Caribbean to strengthen sustainable and organic agriculture through education, technical assistance, and capacity building.



AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Organic production & transition
- Soil health & composting
- Cover crops & green manures
- Tropical agriculture
- Small ruminants & integrated livestock systems
- Agroforestry & syntropic farming
- Organic certification support
- On-farm inputs & natural solutions
- Farmer training & capacity building
- Connecting farmers with resources, experts & opportunities



REGIONS I SERVE



Florida



U.S. Virgin Islands



Puerto Rico



HOW I CAN HELP



One-on-one technical assistance



Farm visits & on-farm consultations



Workshops, webinars & trainings



Educational resources & publications



Connecting you with experts, partners & funding opportunities

Let's connect! 



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WORKSHOPS & TRAININGS

Building Knowledge. Supporting Farmers. Strengthening Communities.

Through hands-on workshops and trainings across Florida, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and Mississippi, we equip farmers and growers with practical tools and knowledge to grow resilient, profitable, and sustainable farms.



TOPICS WE COVER



Soil Health & Regenerative Practices



Cover Cropping & Green Manures



Composting & On-Farm Inputs



Organic Amendments & Biofertilizers



Integrated Pest Management (IPM)



Sustainable Livestock Integration



Business & Marketing Strategies



Value-Added & Farm Diversification



Mushroom Production



Farm Planning & Risk Management

FLORIDA

Monticello, FL

Tallahassee, FL

MISSISSIPPI

Natchez, MS

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (ST. THOMAS)

St. Thomas, USVI

St. Thomas, USVI

PUERTO RICO

Gurabo, PR

UPR Gurabo
Experimental Station

Lajas, PR

UPR Lajas
Experimental Station



Empowering farmers with practical knowledge, local connections, and sustainable solutions.



Stronger soils.
Stronger farms.
Stronger communities.



If you're interested in hosting a workshop or partnering in your area, **let's connect!**



Free, on-demand webinars for farmers, gardeners,
and agricultural professionals.



Practical knowledge.
Real solutions.
Stronger farms.



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OUR IMPACT TOGETHER

Knowledge Shared. Communities Strengthened. Farms Growing.

Through hands-on workshops and free educational webinars, the FOG TOPP project is building skills, sharing practical tools, and supporting farmers across the Southeast, Caribbean, and beyond.



1,401

PEOPLE REACHED

Through outreach, promotion, partnerships, and project communications.



607

PEOPLE ACTIVELY ENGAGED

Participated in our workshops and webinars to build skills and take action.



That's **607** farmers, gardeners, and agricultural professionals gaining hands-on knowledge to grow stronger farms and communities.

WHERE WE'VE WORKED TOGETHER

FLORIDA

- Tallahassee
- Monticello

MISSISSIPPI

- Natchez

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (ST. THOMAS)

PUERTO RICO

- Gurabo (UPR Gurabo Experimental Station)
- Lajas (UPR Lajas Experimental Station)

THE DIFFERENCE WE'RE MAKING



BUILDING SOIL HEALTH

Promoting practices like cover cropping, composting, and organic amendments for healthier soils and higher yields.



EMPOWERING PEOPLE

Providing practical, relevant education to help farmers make confident, sustainable decisions.



STRENGTHENING FARMS AS BUSINESSES

Sharing business and marketing strategies to help farmers increase value and profitability.



SUPPORTING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Connecting producers, partners, and resources to build stronger, more food-secure communities.



GROWING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

Equipping the next generation of farmers with the knowledge and support to thrive.

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What Participants Are Saying

“The information I learned I can apply right away. It was practical, relevant, and inspiring!”

– Workshop Participant



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LET'S GROW TOGETHER!

Interested in learning more?

All NCAT technical assistance, publications, webinars, and educational resources are provided free of charge.

I'm here to help! Reach out for technical assistance, resources, or partnerships.



CONNECT WITH NCAT

I'm available to support you with technical assistance, resources, and connections.



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Stay in the loop with the latest:

- ✓ Upcoming events & webinars
- ✓ New publications & resources
- ✓ Sustainable agriculture tips
- ✓ Funding opportunities & more!

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(and follow us on
social media) to
stay connected
and informed!*



UPCOMING EVENTS & WEBINARS



Syntropic Agriculture: Organic Principles for Tropical Farming

Learn how syntropic systems build soil health, biodiversity, and productivity in tropical climates.



AUGUST 19, 2026

12:00 PM ET
Zoom Webinar



Organic & Sustainable Livestock Production

(Topics TBA)



DATE TBD

Zoom Webinar



Organic Banana Management for Healthy Plants & High Yields

(Topics TBA)



DATE TBD

Zoom Webinar



Workshop at Turkey Hill Farm (Tallahassee, FL)

Soil Health • Composting • Cover Cropping
On-Farm Inputs • Business & Marketing



DATE TBD

In-Person Workshop

HOW NCAT CAN HELP

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- ✓ Educational resources & publications
- ✓ Connecting you with experts, partners & funding opportunities

