

Agriculture in NY-22

supporting farmers and rural communities

Support for Farmers and Producers

Legislation

Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act

BIPARTISAN **LAW**

Cosponsored the bipartisan Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act, a bill that expands milk choices in schools while also supporting NY-22 dairy farms.

Grown in America Act

BIPARTISAN

Cosponsored the bipartisan Grown in America Act that would create a tax credit incentivizing businesses to purchase domestic agricultural products.

Misc.

Helped **keep Syracuse USDA office open** to support local farmers and rural development efforts.

Urged the USDA Secretary Brooke Rollins to prioritize family farmers, dairies, and specialty crop farmers in any farm relief package and to expedite the processing of this funding.

Fought back against Trump's trade wars and illegal tariffs that have caused massive increases in input costs for farmers.

Support for Rural Communities

Legislation

Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program Act

BIPARTISAN **INCLUDED IN HOUSE-PASSED FARM BILL**

Partnered with Rep. Zach Nunn (IA-3) to introduce the bipartisan Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program Act, a bill aimed at supporting rural small businesses by increasing access to capital.

Rural Innovation for a Stronger Economy (RISE) Reauthorization Act

Introduced the Rural Innovation for a Stronger Economy (RISE) Reauthorization Act, which would provide funding for in-demand job training, business formation and expansion efforts, and overall economic growth in rural communities.

Misc.

Supported local efforts to apply for USDA loans and grants to assist with infrastructure and rural community facility projects. **Funded projects include Oneida High School to assist with repairs** following severe flooding, and **Madison County's job creating biomass project** in the Town of Lincoln.

Secured provisions in the House-passed Farm Bill that would make it **easier for entrepreneurs in rural areas to access capital to start or grow their businesses**.

Support for Nutrition & Addressing Hunger

Legislation

Early Childhood Nutrition Improvement Act

Cosponsored the Early Childhood Nutrition Improvement Act to expand access to nutritious meals for children in childcare settings.

Increasing Nutrition Access for Seniors Act

Cosponsored the Increasing Nutrition Access for Seniors Act, which would ease access to food assistance for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

Misc.

Opposed the harmful SNAP cuts passed by Congressional Republicans.

