

INDIANA BLACK LOAM

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In one of their efforts to help others build successful farming operations, the Jamerson's are leading a coalition – The Indiana Black Loam Conference - to develop a pilot project to host workshops in Evansville, Gary, Bloomington, and Fort Wayne followed by a convention style event in Indianapolis.

PARTNERSHIPS

This conference has come together by a dynamic team to identify the farming communities' needs in each location. Partnerships are critical, and these events include local farmers, community organizations, and conservation agencies.

FOCUS

These events focus on the needs of underserved BIPOC farmers, producers and communities.

- Connecting growers with agency resources
- Listening to community members' needs
- Education that reaches next generations
- Economic footprint through agriculture

BACKGROUND

Farming runs deep in Denise and John Jamerson's heritage. Legacy Taste of the Garden's Greer family has been farming in Southern Indiana's African American farming community, Lyles Station, since before the Civil War.

Legacy Taste of the Garden was created to share with others what has been learned over the generations.



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EVENTS

- **2/19** - Evansville
- **2/26** - Fort Wayne
- **3/12** - Gary
- **3/19** - Bloomington
- Coming soon - Indianapolis



REGISTER

<https://bit.ly/black-loam-events>

PARTNERS

- Legacy Taste of the Garden
- Young and Established Center
- Human Agricultural Cooperative
- 3 Flock Farm
- People's Cooperative Market
- Shannon Farm and Homestead, LLC
- Small Business Development Center (SBDC)
- Conservation Cropping Systems Initiative (CCSI)
- Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts' Urban Soil Health Program (IASWCD)
- Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs)
- Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA)
- Purdue Extension
- USDA-Farm Service Agency (FSA)
- USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
- Farm Credit

