REFORM AGRICULTURAL MARKETS

Support the RAMP UP Act to help smaller and regional meat processors access new markets.

Strengthen antitrust enforcement in the livestock industry via Livestock Mandatory Price Reporting.

Prevent chronic overproduction and stabilize prices with supply management.

By the Numbers: Meat Consolidation
- 50 meat plants slaughter and process 98% of our national meat supply.
- 1,100 meat plants operate in the U.S., compared to 9,627 in 1967.
- 4 companies control 85% of beef production in the U.S.

SUPPORT PANDEMIC RECOVERY

Provide family farmers with the financial support they need to withstand the pandemic.

Ensure CFAP funding is distributed fairly and equitably.

Boost SNAP and facilitate the distribution of surplus food from farms to food banks.

By the Numbers: Pandemic Effects
- 4.8% reduction in average farm prices compared to a year ago.
- 80% of CFAP spending has been allocated to three commodities: beef, dairy, and corn.
- 20% of Americans with children report not being able to afford enough food for their family.

SUPPORT CLIMATE-SMART AGRICULTURE AND BIOFUELS

Provide farmers with the tools, resources, technology, and information they need to mitigate and adapt to climate change.

Give family farmers and ranchers a seat at the table when developing climate policies and programs.

Help the biofuels industry fully recover from the impact of the pandemic.

By the Numbers: Climate and Biofuels
- 100 million metric tons of CO2 could be stored in agricultural soils every year.
- 80% of Americans support renewable energy from crops.
- $3 billion worth of the ethanol industry’s revenue has been lost because of the pandemic.

STRENGTHEN RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Set a 20 percent rural benchmark in the Provider Relief Fund.

Strengthen mental health resources in agricultural communities.

Support the BRIDGE Act and the Universal Broadband Act to improve broadband connectivity in rural areas.

Provide USPS with adequate resources to ensure prompt, affordable mail delivery in all parts of the country.

By the Numbers: Rural Resilience
- 1/4 of rural hospitals are at high risk of closure.
- 60% of rural Americans live in mental health professional shortage areas.
- 35% of rural Americans do not have broadband.

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