

# Northeast/ Mid- Atlantic Transition to Organic Partnership Program

## MENTORSHIP PROGRAM for Transitioning and Certified Organic Producers

The Northeast/ Mid-Atlantic Transition to Organic Partnership Program mentorship program pairs experienced organic producers and producers transitioning to organic, supports the transition process, and creates a stronger network of organic producers across the country. This is a certifier-neutral program. You may be working with any certifier to participate.



### MENTORSHIP SUPPORT

Certified organic producers serve as a paid mentor, supporting producers through the transition and certification process. Transitioning producers receive free mentorship.



### PRODUCER PARTNERSHIP

Northeast/ Mid-Atlantic TOPP will provide guidance and support for the mentorship. Mentors and transitioning producers will meet regularly on their own either virtually or in person.



### TAILORED GUIDANCE

Mentors and transitioning producers will work together to set goals for the mentorship year and build a communication system tailored for their individual needs and preferences.

## NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

**Learn more and apply at <https://paorganic.org/topp/>**

Mentorship available in Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia.

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