



SAVE THE DATE

A Launch Event for Report

Dear FAME Conference attendees and invited guests:

Please join us for the public launch of the report summarizing the January 2013 *Farming at Metro's Edge: Sustaining Agriculture in Frederick and Montgomery Counties Conference*.

When: September 16, 2013 at 10 AM

Where: The Universities at Shady Grove, 9630 Gudelsky Drive, Rockville, MD.

The *Farming at Metro's Edge* Conference brought together with some 200 farmers, citizens, community leaders, public officials and national and regional experts to develop ideas and strategies to keep agriculture in our Counties, and the region, productive and profitable for future generations. The report presents the observations and recommendations that participants developed over the two-day discussion. The most consistent request was that this remarkable event NOT result in another tome on a dusty shelf, but in collaboration and advocacy on concrete actions. This event is the first step in that process.

The launch will include:

- A presentation of the results and recommendations in key areas by the Report Committee,
- Comments and commitments from elected officials and leaders of the farm community
- Leaders in industry and agencies who are in positions to affect changes that will respond to the report and who will outline their perspective on potential steps for implementation.
- A comment and question period for event participants to offer their own suggestions and commitments.
- A closing networking period over coffee and buns.

Please visit the Conference website for more details and announcements prior to the event -- www.farmingatmetrosedge.com.

We hope to see you there!
FAME Planning Committee

"Eighty percent of success is showing up."
Woody Allen