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AgriSafe Announces New Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Advisory Council

Covington, LA — AgriSafe Network is pleased to announce the formation of its new Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) Advisory Council, which will play a crucial role in guiding AgriSafe's work to address the needs of underserved populations in agriculture.

In 2022, AgriSafe took a significant step towards enhancing its DEIA efforts by promoting Knesha Rose-Davison to the role of Public Health and Equity Director. To further advance their efforts, in 2023 AgriSafe put forth a public call for applicants and nominations for DEIA council members. An internal committee meticulously reviewed the pool of applicants and made their selections.

The 9 inaugural members of AgriSafe's DEIA Advisory Council are:

- [Connie Baptiste](#) – Chef, Entrepreneur, Farmer, Veterans Advocate, & Transition Support Specialist
- [Andy Bater](#) – Board Director for District 6 of the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau, Farmer, Agricultural Policy Worker, & Yoga Instructor
- [E'licia L. Chaverest](#) – Assistant Director of Alabama A&M University's Small Farms Research Center
- [Corhonda Corley](#) – Disabilities Advocate & Mother
- [Willow Lake, MPH, MA, RN, REHS/RS](#) – Supervisor for the Division of Regulatory Services with the Connecticut Department of Agriculture
- [Kendriana Price, Ed.D.](#) – Assistant Dean for the University of Kentucky's Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture's Food and Environment Office of Diversity.
- [Vicente Rico, CLCS](#) – Senior Consultant of Product Development at Nationwide
- [Laura Wheeler, LMT, RYT E-500, IIN, IAHC](#) – Massage Therapist, Yoga Educator, & International Health Coach
- [Miho Yoshioka](#) – Biological Science Technician for the USDA Agricultural Research Service

"We are thrilled to have such a talented and dedicated group of individuals on our advisory council," said Rose-Davison. "Their expertise and perspectives will be invaluable as we work towards more equitable and inclusive education and outreach."

To learn more about AgriSafe's DEIA work, please visit [AgriSafe's website](#). For more information on each council member, click their names to follow the hyperlinks.

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