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The Iowa Valley RC&D’s Regional Food Initiative has 6 program areas.

- Local Farmer Education and Training Program
- Regional Food System Metrics Program
- Come to the Table Program
- Iowa Valley Regional Farm to School
- The Iowa Valley Food Business Development
- The Iowa Valley Food Policy Program
Regional Farm to School Programs

Area Farm to School programs include:

- **Clear Creek.**
- **Iowa City Community Schools.** Kicked off May 2012 with a ‘Spring Greens Day’ and farmer fair. They are currently purchasing locally in-season foods.
- **Solon Community Schools.** Began student garden in 2012 and will begin chapter in 2014.
- **West Branch.** Will hold full school Farmers Market beginning Fall 2013.
- **West Liberty.**
- **Mid-Prairie.**
- **Scattergood.** Scattergood is a ‘living laboratory’ where the majority of food eaten at the school is raised on-site. Foods raised include plant and animal that the students actively participate in as part of their studies.
Co-op has been a web-based cooperative acting as a facilitator, providing a marketplace for all types of local producers, processing orders and payments, and facilitating delivery to consumer members.

The Co-op is emerging as a cooperative of 68 local vendors that annually markets items that range from produce, meat, bakery, dairy, etc. Currently the Co-op has a total 514 members.
Grimm Family Farm is a three generation family farm. Owners Jason and Hannah Grimm farm with Jason's grandparents and parents. Together they share the management of farm tasks from planting, weeding, harvesting, and marketing. The family farm sits above the English River Valley in Iowa County. The family farm raises corn, hay, oats, beef cattle and poultry in addition to produce and dry edible beans.