

The Year in Review

The highlight of 2013 for Women, Food and Agriculture Network was the opportunity to host the 4th National Conference for Women in Sustainable Agriculture, Nov. 6 – 8 in Des Moines, IA.

This conference brought 400 women engaged in healthy food and farming from all over the US and several other countries to the heart of the Midwest, for two and a half days of networking, learning, enjoying locally sourced food, and visiting a variety of farms and rural businesses on one of the many field tours.

One participant wrote: “Throughout my career I have attended many conferences and workshops but this conference was very organized, I learned something new from each presentation I attended and the tours were all educational, fun, and wonderful food.”

Another said: “I wanted to let the organizers know that this was a healing experience for me. I just closed my small local-owned business, it was very heartbreaking and being able to discuss issues with other women about their experiences was priceless. Owning a business and working in a ‘man’s world’ as a woman can be intimidating and frustrating at times. However the encouragement and compassion from other women, the experiences and heartbreaks shared, the advice, the stories, the support was priceless.”



Many attendees listed a variety of actions they plan to take as a result of the conference, including becoming more active politically and finding more women farmers and advocates in their communities to network with.

WFAN’s board of directors made plans for the executive director transition that took place in mid-2014. Staff members continued to work with WFAN’s key programs – Harvesting Our Potential (for aspiring and beginning women farmers), Women Caring for the Land (for female landowners) and Plate to Politics (for healthy food and farming advocates).

Funders

Individuals, foundations, and state and federal agencies continued to invest in WFAN's work in 2013. Our funders for 2013 included:

Federal agencies:

Environmental Protection Agency (via Iowa State University); North Central Region Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (NCR-SARE); North Central Risk Management Education Center; USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture; USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service;

State agencies:

Iowa Department of Agriculture, Division of Soil Conservation;

Foundations and corporations:

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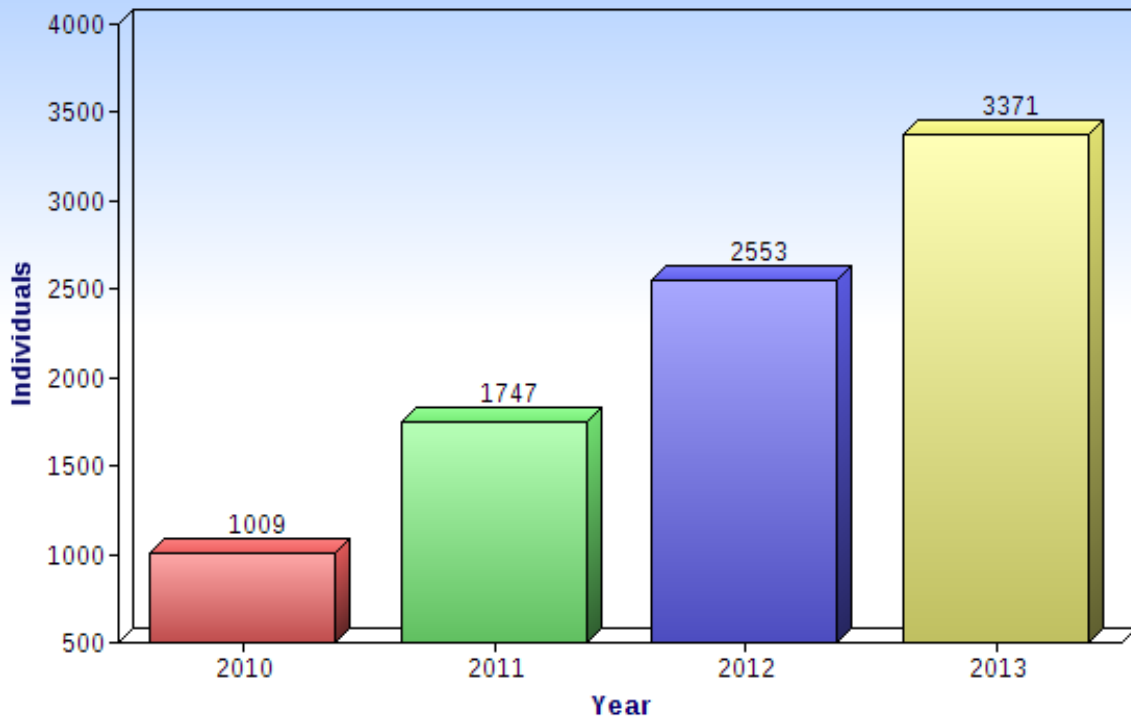
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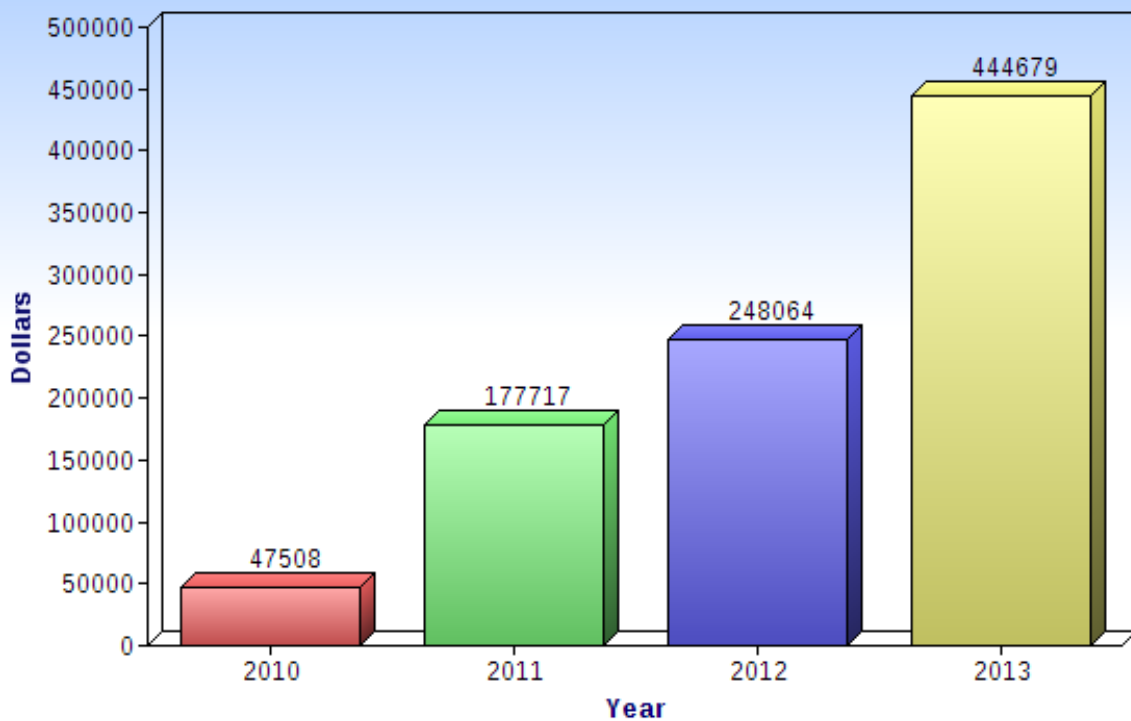
\$500 and up

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Number of WFAN Members



Total Income from All Sources



Women, Food and Agriculture Network Statement of Activities

	Jan - Dec 13
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Events	82,468.67
Grants	349,051.69
Individual donations	11,960.32
Interest	43.08
Other	510.00
Product sales	645.00
	444,678.76
Total Income	444,678.76
Gross Profit	444,678.76
Expense	
Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.30
Accounting & legal	2,820.68
Awarded Indirect costs	4,559.16
Bank charges	59.71
Board expenses	111.82
Donor management system	1,503.98
Dues & subscriptions	300.00
Facility fee	723.80
Insurance	623.99
Internet	829.30
Meals	10,946.26
Mileage reimbursement	4,444.75
Office supplies	2,098.38
Online services	1,396.79
Personnel	285,115.29
PO Box rental	72.00
Postage & mail processing	4,150.26
Printing & copies	9,665.79
Promotions	88,034.43
Rent	800.00
Telephone	170.40
Transportation	2,493.05
Travel	4,372.26
	425,292.40
Total Expense	425,292.40
Net Ordinary Income	19,386.36
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Matching Income	11,739.85
Total Other Income	11,739.85
Other Expense	
Matching Expense	11,739.85
Total Other Expense	11,739.85
Net Other Income	0.00
Net Income	19,386.36