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Funding from the Working Here Fund grant will support the staff time needed to write education plans, develop hands-on activities, experiment with different plant material and market the educational opportunity to a variety of target audiences.

The Wallace Centers of Iowa is one of 88 organizations to receive a *Working Here Fund* grant in the third quarter of 2023. FCSAmerica awarded over $340,000 during the latest grant cycle ending September 30, 2023.

“We are proud to support organizations like the Wallace House Foundation because of their passion to educate our communities about the importance of the ag industry,” said Erin Carney, regional vice president of retail operations at FCSAmerica’s Red Oak office.

**About the Wallace Centers of Iowa**

The Wallace Centers of Iowa’s two locations include the Wallace Farm in rural Orient and the Wallace House in Des Moines. More information about the non-profit can be found at [www.wallace.org](http://www.wallace.org).

**About Farm Credit Services of America**

Farm Credit Services of America is a customer-owned financial cooperative proud to finance the growth of rural America, including the special needs of young and beginning producers. With $41 billion in assets and $7.2 billion in members’ equity, FCSAmerica is one of the region’s leading providers of credit and insurance services to farmers, ranchers, agribusiness and rural residents in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming. Learn more at fcsamerica.com.