

## **Community Food Project Profiles in Georgia**

**There have been three Community Food Project grants to groups in Georgia. Below you will find descriptions of two of them, which total \$280,120.**

### **Rolling Hills RC&D Council, Dallas**

**Grants awarded: \$105,120 in 2004 for 3 years**

In the Rolling Hills area in Northwest GA, the “Farmers Fresh Food Network: Locally Grown From the Farm to the Table” Project has been working to increase access to and use of local foods. The Network provides fresh, high-quality, nutritious produce to low-income individuals, local restaurants and the community at large, building bridges between farmer and consumer within the community. They have supplied the WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program with fresh produce, and provided sales opportunities for small, sustainable farmers, including immigrant farm groups. The project has also supported institutional purchases of locally grown food from hospitals, assisted living centers, and schools.

### **Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund, East Point**

**Grant awarded: \$175,000 in 2003 for 2 years**

The Federation of Southern Cooperatives has worked for over thirty years to promote the interests of low-income rural communities in the South, particularly of African American family farmers. The Federation’s CFP grant enabled a project focusing on expanding existing cooperatives in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina. As part of this project, the Federation provided one-day workshops and individual technical assistance to cooperative members. The project has developed a cooperative marketing manual geared to the needs of small African American farmers in the four states, and they have helped to strengthen direct market outlets for both urban and rural marketing cooperatives.