



MANRRS

2025-2026 ANNUAL REPORT

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A Message From The President

Just over one year ago, I had the incredible honor of beginning my service as National President of the National Society of MANRRS during one of the most significant moments in our organization's history—our 40th Anniversary.

Serving during this milestone year has been an extraordinary privilege. For forty years, MANRRS has developed leaders, launched careers, and changed lives, proving that when we cultivate talent and expand opportunity, our entire agricultural and natural resources workforce becomes stronger.

This year also marked a new chapter in our identity with the evolution of our name to the National Society of MANRRS. While our name evolved, our mission remained steadfast: to develop ALL leaders, create opportunities, and strengthen the workforce by welcoming individuals committed to excellence, service, and opportunity.

Change is rarely easy, and this year brought moments of misunderstanding, distraction, and spirited conversation. But beyond the noise, I witnessed dedication and resilience. I saw members serve one another, advisors invest in students, partners believe in our mission, alumni offer their support, and our Executive Committee and National Staff remain committed to the purpose of MANRRS.

As I transition to Immediate Past President, I am deeply grateful to everyone who trusted, challenged, supported, and encouraged me throughout this journey. Serving as National President during MANRRS' 40th Anniversary will forever be one of the greatest highlights of my career in agriculture.

The first forty years built an extraordinary legacy. The next forty give us an even greater opportunity to grow, evolve, and prepare the leaders who will shape our future.

The mission endures. The people endure. Most importantly, MANRRS ENDURES.

Thank you for the honor of serving. Here's to the next chapter.

One last time, and with my humble appreciation,

Ryan C. Locke

Your MANRRS 2025–2026 National President

A stylized, handwritten signature in white ink, reading 'R.C.L.', set against a dark background with a faint city skyline.

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2025-2026



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MANRRS is a national society committed to excellence in leadership, scholarship, and service. The organization supports student engagement in agriculture, natural resources, and related sciences. With over 70 chapters across high schools, colleges, and universities nationwide, MANRRS offers opportunities for growth through local chapter activities, regional events, and a national conference.

These experiences help build strong connections between students and professionals from academia, government, and industry. MANRRS focuses on professional development, networking, and career readiness in a supportive environment.

Membership is open to individuals from all backgrounds who are dedicated to advancing participation and achievement in agriculture and related careers.

OUR MISSION:

To develop and empower individuals in agriculture, natural resources, and related sciences by nurturing potential, supporting unique journeys, and connecting members to opportunities that inspire leadership and innovation.

OUR VISION:

A future where the next generation of leaders transform agriculture and natural resources through passion, innovation, and meaningful impact.

2025-2026 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF

			
Ebony Webber Chief Executive Officer	Ashantae Smith Director of Operations	Dwane Matthews Program Manager	Briyanna Tiafoe Marketing & Communications Associate

MANRRS IMPACT:

24,956

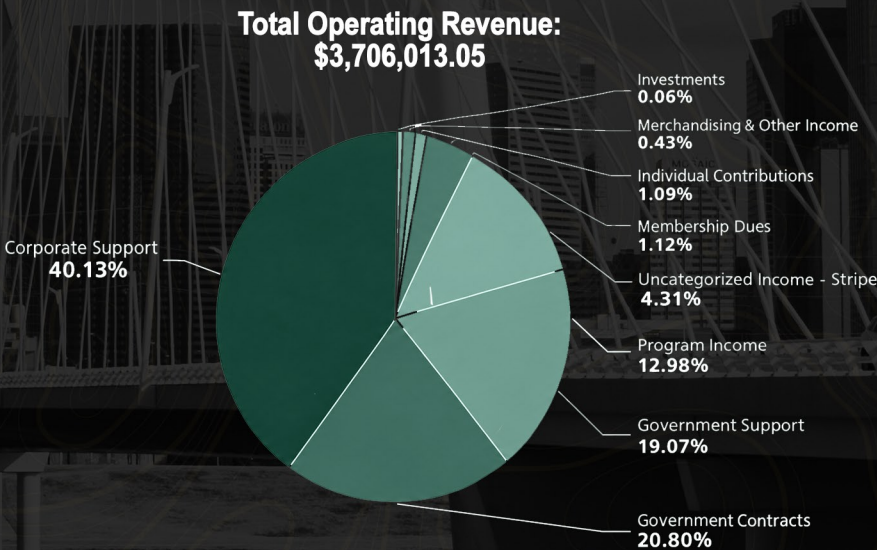
Members and Supporters

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN MANRRS!](#)

CAREER CONNECTIONS:

500+ Job Post Submissions

GET CONNECTED!



PROGRAMS

3 NATIONAL PROGRAMS

[LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS HERE](#)

L.E.a.D. Mentoring Program

61 MATCHES

Animal Health & Care Testimonial

"Being a recipient of the AHCA program has opened doors to professional spaces I once felt were beyond my reach. Guided by supportive mentors who challenged me to step outside my comfort zone, I found myself surrounded by a cohort of peers who share my deep commitment to animal health. Attending the IPPE and the MANRRS 40th National Conference further solidified my resolve. These experiences have fueled my passion to seek innovative solutions that protect our global food systems and ensure a sustainable future for animal health."

-Jenelly Jazmin Villalobos

Junior at Central State University



Ag Policy Summit

20 STUDENTS SERVED



SCHOLARSHIPS

**152 STUDENTS SUPPORTED
\$239,000 AMOUNT AWARDED**

GRANTS

**35 CHAPTERS SUPPORTED
\$78,000 AMOUNT AWARDED**

[LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR SCHOLARSHIPS HERE](#)

National Conference

The National Society of MANRRS celebrated its 40th Annual Training Conference & Career Expo, bringing together students, professionals, educators, government agencies, and industry partners from across the country for three days of leadership development, professional networking, career exploration, and workforce development.

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MANRRS40 Conference Impact

1,432 ATTENDEES

43 EXHIBITORS

809 COLLEGIATE STUDENTS

MANRRS40 National Conference

40th Annual Training Conference & Career Expo - Dallas, TX | April 9-12

Career Readiness Outcomes

- 84% built professional contacts for future opportunities.
- 42% updated their résumé or improved interviewing skills.
- 23% explored graduate school opportunities.
- 14% interviewed with an employer.
- 14% applied for a job or internship.
- 13% received an internship offer.
- 7% received a job offer.



Testimonial

"MANRRS has had an exceptional impact on my professional journey. Through the connections and relationships I built as a MANRRS member, especially at the National Conference and Career Expo, I connected with BASF and ultimately secured a full-time role in its Professional Development Program. MANRRS has opened countless doors for me by providing incredible networking opportunities, leadership development, and career connections. Most importantly, it has helped shape me into the professional and the man I am today."

- Michael Wilcher
BASF

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Networking Impact

- More than **50%** interacted with **7 or more** employers during the Career Expo.
- Approximately **one-third** interacted with **10 or more** organizations.
- Over **30%** made **6 or more** professional connections, while nearly **one-quarter** made **15+** new professional connections during the conference.



JUNIOR MANRRS

Year in review



6 JUNIOR MANRRS INSTITUTES

- Alabama Agricultural & Mechanical University
- Ian Smith Foundation
- Michigan State University
- Oregon State University
- University of Maryland College Park
- Virginia State University

JUNIOR MANRRS AT MANRRS40

130

Junior MANRRS Students and Advisors at MANRRS40



2025-2026 JUNIOR MANRRS AMBASSADORS



Maya Gudderra

Gwynn Park
Region I



Noah Morris

Carroll County
Region I



Marcus Williams

Virginia State University
Region I



Moses Mapigano

Carter G Woodson
Region III

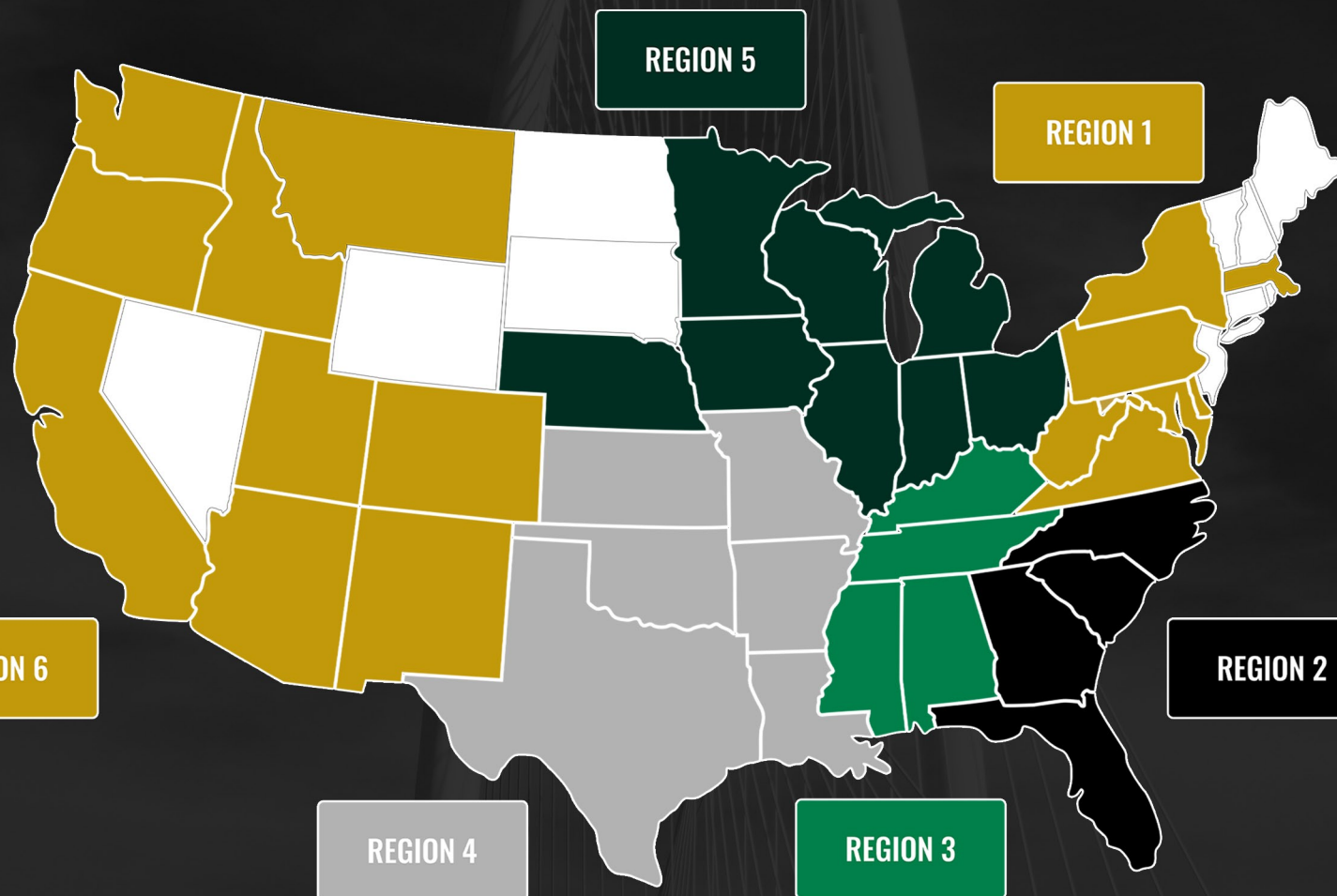


Trinity Clay

Chicago High School For Agricultural Sciences
Region V

2025-2026 CHAPTER MAP

70+ MANRRS CHAPTERS



22 NATIONAL PARTNERS

[VIEW OUR PARTNERS](#)

VIEW OUR WEBINARS

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SOCIAL MEDIA:



Follow @NationalMANRRS on all social media platforms

- 1,036,988 TOTAL IMPRESSIONS
- 19,765 TOTAL INTERACTIONS
- 18,450 TOTAL FOLLOWERS ACROSS ALL PLATFORMS



Looking to the Future

Strong Roots, Bold Futures

Every tree that grows tall does so because of what is happening beneath the surface: a root system built season after season, often unseen, but never optional. That is the story of MANRRS. Our roots run deep: forty years of chapters, mentors, and members who believed representation belonged in agriculture and natural resources before it was common to say so. And because those roots are strong, we are ready to reach further than we ever have before.

That is where our focus turns now: forward. This year's work is about building the foundation that our future demands. We are prioritizing transparent communication so that trust keeps pace with our growth. We are investing in leadership development so the officers leading us tomorrow are equipped today. We are strengthening organizational stability so we can meet whatever the future holds without losing our footing. And we remain focused on elevating the member experience, because the future of this Society is only as bold as the members we prepare to lead it.

This is what Strong Roots, Bold Futures means: tending what is unseen so that what lies ahead can be met with confidence, not caution. The future of agriculture, natural resources, and the sciences will be shaped by leaders who look like all of us, and MANRRS intends to keep producing exactly that kind of leader.

As we look to what's next, we do so with unity, purpose, and a shared commitment to building a future worthy of the roots that made it possible.

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Signing In,

Dr. Kendriana Price

2026-2027 National President

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