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**Date:** Saturday, August 14, 2010.

**Time:** 9:00a.m.-4:00p.m.

**Location:** Hopewell Community Life Center  
4817 Jefferson Ave. SW, Building #2  
Birmingham, Alabama 35221

To secure your place for this conference, please mail in your registration form to the address indicated on this brochure. You may also fax it to us at 1-256-372-5517. Should you choose to register electronically, please send your completed form to [elicia.chaverest@aamu.edu](mailto:elicia.chaverest@aamu.edu). Feel free to contact us at 1-256-372-4970 or 1-866-858-4970 (toll free) if you have questions regarding this registration.

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**2010 Alabama Women -In-Agriculture and Youth Development Conference.  
Birmingham, Alabama**

## Alabama Women-In-Agriculture and Youth Development Conference

*"Feed the Body and the Mind"*



**Mark your calendar !  
August 14, 2010**



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

The “Alabama Women-In - Agriculture” program at Alabama A&M University is motivated by a need to alleviate some of the difficulties experienced



by women within the farming community in Alabama, and a need to recognize and value the contribution of those women engaged in this sector whose needs have traditionally been overlooked in development initiatives. The rationale for the program is rooted in a clear need to provide recognition for, and credence to, the significant role played, and contribution made, by women engaged in the agricultural industry and a need to empower them and address the difficulties of viability and sustainability of farms within the community and State of Alabama.

The Small Farm Research Center is collaborating with Alabama Women In Agriculture Inc., Hopewell Women In Agriculture, Working from the Earth, Project Hopewell Inc., and People Helping People, Inc., to host a **Alabama Women-In-Agriculture and Youth Development Conference**. The one-day conference will focus on youth and women involved in agriculture, agribusiness and entrepreneurship. Our target audience are women and their families, and especially young women and men ranging from 8-18 years of age.



## CONFERENCE THEME

### STARVING FOR KNOWLEDGE?

Come join us at the Hopewell Women-In-Agriculture and Youth Development Conference, **“Feed the Body and the Mind.”** Come learn pointers on healthy eating and growing your own fruits and veggies; a simple office-space exercise program; the basics of starting your own business; and updates on new developments in agriculture and agribusiness. The conference has been designed to engage the youth and adults on business and agriculture issues.

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Our keynote speaker is **Dr. Keecha Harris**. She is an alumnus of the inaugural class of Food and Society Policy Fellows supported by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. As a Fellow, she communicated



messages about the relationships between food production and consumption and their impacts on local economies, human health and the environment. She has published in referred sources such as *Journal of Nutrition*, *Journal of the American Dietetic Association* and *Gellis and Kagan's* 17th edition of *Current Pediatric Therapy*. Dr. Harris is a former National Spokesperson for the American Dietetic Association and an American Marshall Memorial Fellow of the German Marshall Fund. She is an alumnus of Iowa State University and the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She has been recognized as Young Dietitian of the Year for the American Dietetic Association and received the Helen LeBaron Hilton Award from Iowa State University. She serves on the advisory board for Girls Inc.’s *Body + Mind* initiative and other national committees focused on wellness. Dr. Harris was recognized by the *Birmingham Business Journal* as one of its 2010 Top 40 Under 40. (To learn more

about Dr. Harris visit her website at Keecha Harris and Associates <http://www.khandassociates.com/index.asp>

## TOPICS COVERED

- Government Programs
- Grant writing
- Business Development
- Financing Small Businesses
- E-Commerce
- Computer Training
- Value-Added Demonstrations
- Marketing Opportunities
- Arts & Crafts Demonstration
- Youth Programs
- Youth Loans
- Youth Entrepreneurship Development



Businessmen & women success stories, Free Facials and Makeovers, as well as displays and exhibits. The program has been developed to **Grow New Markets, Cultivate Entrepreneurs, Empower Women and Sustain Alabama’s Future.**

## REGISTRATION

**All are welcome.** Participation is open to the public, especially those interested in agriculture, small business development. There is no registration fee, but everyone must register. Please find attached registration form. For more details, please call 1-866-858-4970.

**Registration Begins Now!**