



The Seeds of Hope is a new initiative that targets beginning farmers in an 11-county foods shed region. 2016 Ribbon of Hope funds will provide seed money for the urban-based farm school, which will offer participants training and technical assistance to help them establish economically viable small-scale farm enterprises. The school will be based in the city of Rocky Mount, a city designated as the least healthy city in NC by 24/7 Wall Street in 2015.