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Charles E. & Lena Maier Vegetable Crops Research Award 2021

Administered by The Vegetable Growers' Association of New Jersey, Inc.

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To Whom it may concern:

The research committee for the Vegetable Growers' Association of New Jersey, Inc. met and reviewed Three proposals for the 2021 research award. The committee voted to award the following grants:

Co-PIs: Kate Brown and Bill Bamka, Burlington County Cooperative Extension **Project title**: Testing the utility of black plastic tarps as an alternative and complementary weed control tool for small-scale, direct-market vegetable operations **Award Amount**: \$885.00.

Co-Pls: Albert Ayeni and James Simon, Plant Biology Department Rutgers; **Project title**: Production and marketing of tropical spinach and roselle in New Jersey **Award Amount**: \$3,803.

PI: Andy Wyenandt, Extension Specialist in Vegetable Pathology **Project title**: Determination of copper resistance and bacterial leaf spot populations in pepper and tomato in New Jersey **Award Amount**: \$3,750.00

The awardees will give reports at the winter 2022 New Jersey Agricultural Convention and results will be posted on the Vegetable Growers Association website.

Sincerely,

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