

Project Accomplishments

- As of September 2022, hosted 14 field days on CARE Champions farms showcasing conservation practices implemented through program
- Toured SAVE (Servicemember, Agricultural, Vocation, Education) Farm in Riley, KS with 4 military veteran CARE Champions in conjunction with the Kansas Association of Conservation Districts
- Facilitated listening session between CARE Champions and NRCS Chief Cosby on August 23, 2022
- Have 3 Spanish language marketing pieces in circulation promoting CARE Program
- Host Quarterly Virtual Check-in meeting with participating Conservation District staff to discuss DEI recommended readings and progress with CARE Program
- Executive Director, OACD, spoke at the Texas Agriforestry Small Farmers & Ranchers Conference on CARE Program, June 2022, Nacogdoches, TX
- Spoke at two national meetings on a panel of two Champions, the OACD Executive Director, & OBHRPI staff highlighting the CARE Program.
- February 2022, National Association of Conservation Districts annual meeting in Orlando, FL.
- August 2022, Maryland Association of Conservation Districts state meeting in Cambridge, MD.
- Executive Director, OACD, spoke on panel at Nation-to-Nation conference, Sulphur, OK, August 2022 relating successes of CARE Program to Oklahoma Tribal Leaders and representatives