



Cornell University
Cooperative Extension
Ulster County

10 Westbrook Lane
Kingston, New York 12401-2928
t. 845.340.3990
f. 845.340.3993
ulster@cornell.edu
<http://counties.cce.cornell.edu/ulster>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Jude DeFalco
Marketing and Production
845-340-3990

Farm Worker Housing Installation Project Continues in Ulster County

The Farm Worker Housing Program administered by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County is moving toward completion of replacing sub-standard farm worker housing with new trailers on thirteen different farms located throughout Ulster County. In 2008, Ulster County received \$600,000 from New York State Office of Community Renewal. Each farm will contribute a cash match bringing the Program total to over \$768,000.

To qualify, properties needed to be located in rural areas of Ulster County and in one of the County's four agricultural districts. Structures must have been being used to house farm workers. This grant did not pay for removal of the old trailer or to demolish existing housing, but were requirements of receiving the funding.

As of May 2009, thirteen of the sixteen trailers and/or pads have been completed. The remaining three trailers are expected to be completed before the grants completion date of October 31, 2009. Ulster County has applied for additional funding in the amount of \$350,000 to replace additional farm worker housing throughout the county.

Building Strong and Vibrant New York Communities