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Food Export-Midwest and Food Export-Northeast Celebrate 25 Years of Strategic Alliance

A Quarter Century of Expanding Global Opportunities for U.S. Food and Agriculture

[CHICAGO & PHILADELPHIA] —In 2025, Food Export-Midwest and Food Export-Northeast proudly mark the 25th anniversary of their strategic alliance, a partnership that has strengthened global export opportunities for U.S. food and agricultural suppliers across 23 states. Since aligning operations in April 2000, these two nonprofit organizations have worked together to empower small- and medium-sized food and agricultural businesses in their regions, expanding market access and enhancing international trade opportunities.

“This alliance has allowed us to be more effective in delivering programs and services that directly support U.S. exporters,” Food Export CEO/Executive Director Brendan Wilson said. “Over the past 25 years, we have continually refined our approach, ensuring that businesses across our 23 states receive the highest level of support in reaching international markets.”

This milestone celebrates a shared vision of simplifying international success and enriching global exchange, while also reflecting on the tremendous growth and impact the partnership has had on U.S. agriculture over the past quarter-century.

The collaboration between Food Export-Midwest and Food Export-Northeast was founded on a simple but powerful premise: by working together, the two organizations could offer more opportunities, improve efficiency, and create better outcomes for U.S. food and agricultural suppliers.

Through this partnership, the two organizations have streamlined operations, enhanced educational and promotional programs, and leveraged resources to maximize export success. This collaboration has resulted in stronger market penetration, expanded supplier reach, and increased international buyer connections.

The next phase of this alliance will prioritize innovation, digital transformation, and new market expansion, ensuring that U.S. food and agricultural businesses stay ahead in an ever-changing global landscape.

“With our continued commitment to our mission, vision, and values, we will keep empowering small- and medium-sized businesses, simplifying export success, and enriching global trade opportunities for decades to come,” Food Export Chief Program and Partnership Officer Teresa Miller said.



Celebrating Our **25** Year Strategic Alliance