



### ***Planning for Organic Certification Workshop***

**Dates:** May 16<sup>th</sup> – NEW DATE

**Time:** 9 a.m. – Noon

**Location:** CCFB Meeting Room- 6438 Joliet Rd Countryside 60480

**Price:** \$10 member | \$20 non-member fee will cover workshop materials and refreshments

**Registration:** Call the Farm Bureau 708-354-3276 or members online at the Member Center at [www.cookcfb.org](http://www.cookcfb.org).

#### **Program outline**

- Welcome
- What is Organic Farming?
- National Organic Standards
- Organic Certification Steps
- Transitioning to Organic Production
- Organic Foundations: soil, rotations, pests and risks
- Economics of Organic Production and Marketing
- Organic Production – Farmer perspective
- Organic Production – Certifiers perspective
- Where is There Assistance to Transition Land?