

## Meeting Consumers' Needs

- High tunnels – season extension, crop protection
- Organic production – strawberry, tomato, leafy greens
- Grafting – disease resistance, improved yield

## Preserving Florida's Resources

- Anaerobic soil disinfestation – non-chemical soil borne disease, nematode, & weed control
- Cover crops – reduce soil erosion, can reduce inputs with long-term use
- Living mulch – conserve soil moisture, reduce weed pressure



## Emerging Crops & Markets

- Specialty squash – ID best cultivars & markets for Florida-grown
- Chickpea – cover crop potential, ID best cultivars & markets for Florida-grown
- Urban agriculture – bringing ag production closer to the consumer

## Building Capacity

- Stakeholder collaboration – farmers are research partners & advisors
- Bridging ag & non-profit sector – building an NPO directory & aggregating training materials
- Grant writing – workshops, funding announcements, proposal development
- Develop research priorities – stakeholders share challenges & ID emerging research questions

