

21 Accomplishments
in 2021

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2021 Annual Report

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"The Covid Pandemic has thrown us a lot of curveballs this past year. Illinois corn farmers rapidly adjusted and continued to feed and fuel the world. Likewise, the IL Corn team of you the members, board and staff quickly improvised to have a great year. Join me in celebrating 21 winning accomplishments in 2021."

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21 Accomplishments in 2021

1 ICGA updated their logo and branding, including a new mission statement:



"Through grassroots advocacy, ICGA will create a future for Illinois corn farmers in which they can operate responsibly, freely, and successfully."

2 ICGA promoted the Fall Covers For Spring Savings to get **50,000** acres of cover crops planted in Illinois.

The available acres were spoken for in 12 hours, but available acres will be doubled to **100,000** acres for fall 2021!

3

A proposed bill in Illinois that would mandate ethanol plants to use union labor for building and maintenance, was pushed off another year thanks to ICGA lobbying efforts. Ethanol plant growth in Illinois would be uncompetitive with other states if this bill passes.



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Farmer leaders conducted 20 virtual meetings and 6 on-farm visits with elected officials during summer 2021.



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The Next Generation Fuels Act was introduced by Cheri Bustos into Congress in August 2021. The legislation, supported and encouraged by ICGA, provides a pathway for higher blends of corn-ethanol to address our climate concerns.



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ICGA provided a "get to know Illinois farmers" connection to members of the Illinois General Assembly

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Randy DeSutter was elected to represent Illinois on National Corn Growers Association Board of Directors at Corn Congress in July 2021.

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ICGA President Randy DeSutter sent a letter to President Biden and his administration detailing priorities for Illinois farmers just after inauguration day.

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ICGA added a Public Policy Manager position to better handle the wide array of policy and regulatory issues facing agriculture.



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Farmer leaders shared your thoughts about stepped up basis and other farm policy priorities with congressional staff in August.

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After decades of ICGA lobbying efforts, in early November the U.S. House and Senate passed an infrastructure package that allocated \$2.5 billion to upgrade locks and dams.

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ICGA added 200 individuals to the text alert system while engaging with visitors at the Farm Progress Show.

The Biotech Initiative was introduced in Springfield and passed the Illinois Senate this year. This initiative, supported and encouraged by ICGA, provides a pathway to invest in new uses of corn and soybeans.

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Precision Conservation Management program doubled in 2021 to include three new regions in Illinois and one new region in Nebraska, thanks to a new partnership with Illinois Soybean Association.

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ICGA partnered in a public education campaign with IL Livestock Development Group promoting a positive image of farmers during summer 2020.



Farmers and other ag supporters made

2,416

connections with elected officials via ICGA's advocacy text alert system in 2021.

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brand new members joined ICGA, interested in opportunities to support the corn industry.

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In July 2021, ICGA pushed for legislation introduced to "fix" the E15 availability problem.



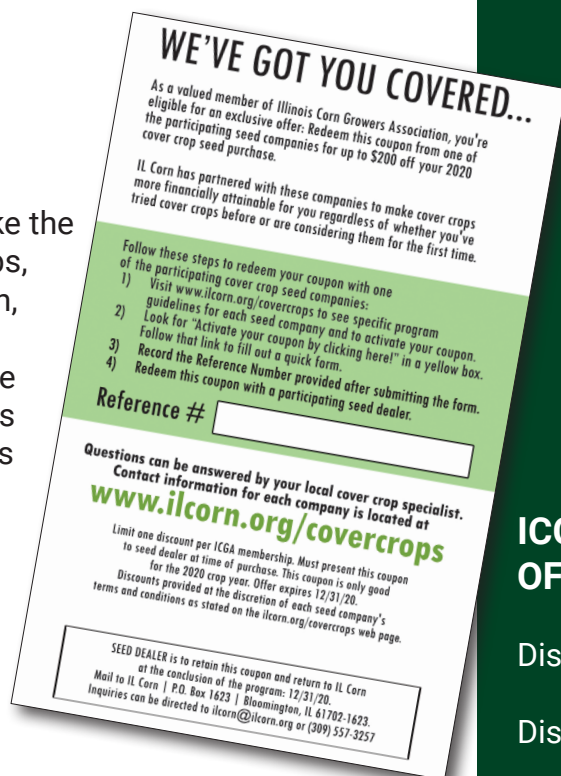
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ICGA participated in a Biofuel Caucus meeting hosted by Rodney Davis at the Farm Progress Show in Decatur, IL—

ILGA leaders advocated for the Next Generation Fuels Act at this meeting.

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ICGA programs like the water testing strips, cover crop coupon, and cover crop programs continue to build awareness about nutrient loss and soil health.



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Almost **300** people joined ICGA's political advocacy text alert system this year, to receive calls to action straight to their phones when policy or regulation impact Illinois agriculture.



Text "ilcorn" to 52886

Join our call to action system for easy congressional contacts to support your farm!

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ICGA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- District 1 – Mike Homerding, Plainfield, 815-693-9735
- District 2 – Ellen Rahn, Mount Carroll, 815-590-5265
- District 3 – Randy DeSutter, Woodhull, 309-368-4802
- District 4 – Bill Leigh, Minonk, 309-361-0224
- District 5 – Jason Bunting, Emington, 815-252-5520
- District 6 – Sarah Hastings, Sidney, 217-841-2190
- District 7 – Mark Bunselmeyer, Maroa, 217-412-4466
- District 8 – Mike Shane, Peoria, 309-509-0078
- District 9 – Terry Smith, Clayton, 217-242-0256
- District 10 – Marty Marr, Jacksonville, 217-473-9304
- District 11 – Keith Sanders, Vandalia, 618-267-2024
- District 12 – Don Guinnip, Marshall, 217-251-2199
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Illinois Corn Growers Association/Financials

Bloomington, Illinois . Year Ended September 30, 2021

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	310,651
Accounts Receivable	
Related party	22,027
Other	2,124
Grant Receivable	519,614
Prepaid Expenses	115,435
Short Term Investments	2,354,773
Total Current Assets	\$3,324,624

Other Investments	131,616
Property and Equipment, Net	632,141
Long-term Prepaid Lease	9,166

TOTAL ASSETS **\$4,097,547**

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	149,988
Deferred Revenue	163,046
Accrued Expenses	74,181
Total Current Liabilities	\$387,215

DEFERRED RENTAL INCOME 180,859
Total Liabilities **\$568,074**

NET ASSETS

Without Donor Restrictions	3,529,473
Total Net Assets	\$3,529,473

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS **\$4,097,547**

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

REVENUES AND GAINS

Dues	120,085
Grant and Project Funding	3,876,413
Special Projects	2,400
Rental	8,221
Interest	4,311
Income from Equity Investments	108,566
Other	9,673
Unrealized Gain on Marketable Securities	108,576

TOTAL REVENUE AND GAINS **\$4,238,245**

OPERATING EXPENSES

PROGRAM SERVICES

Grassroots Committee	571,157
Exports Committee	506,911
Industrial Committee	783,345
Special Projects	1,158,608
Total Program Services	\$3,020,021

Management and General 180,767

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES **\$3,200,788**

Change in Net Assets	1,037,457
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	2,492,016

NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR **\$3,529,473**

