

Dr. Gail Myers is a Cultural Anthropologist, with a doctorate from The Ohio State University. While a student at OSU, she organized the first statewide conference for African American Farmers, *Sustaining Communities: African American Farmers at the Crossroads*. In 2004, Dr. Myers co-founded Farms to Grow, Inc. in Oakland, CA to work in partnership with African American farmers and ranchers and other under-resourced producers. Farms to Grow, Inc. initiated the Freedom Farmers Market, an African American based farmers market, in West Oakland, CA in 2013. Dr. Gail maintains a wide spectrum of grassroots organizing and coalition building, locally and globally. In 2018, she received the Advocate for Social Justice Award "Justie" from the Eco-Farm Association. Dr. Gail advocates for, researches, and writes about African American Farming. She is also currently finishing a documentary/multi-media project, "Rhythms of the Land," [www.rhythmsoftheland.com](http://www.rhythmsoftheland.com), which will be screened in 2022. She is passionate about the legacy of Black farmers, Black agrarian material culture, and racial justice.