



# SUSTAINABLE U.S. SUGAR POSITION

Americans benefit from homegrown sugar produced under some of the world's strictest safety, labor, and environmental standards. The U.S. sugar industry is a global leader in sustainability, and we continually invest in programs to preserve our natural resources, family farms, and rural communities for future generations.

Producing sugar sustainably is a decades-long industry commitment to:



## PRIORITIZE PEOPLE

by paving the way for young farmers, creating opportunities to cooperatively own companies, investing in local communities, paying workers fair wages and benefits, and providing development opportunities for our diverse workforce.



## PROTECT THE PLANET

by building upon major advancements already achieved in reducing greenhouse gasses, improving water and soil quality, and sequestering carbon.



## PRODUCE SUPERIOR PRODUCTS

for our customers using strict safety standards and utilizing all parts of the crop to reduce waste and create beneficial co-products.



## PROMOTE FAIR-PRICE POLICIES

to provide consumers with affordable sugar, help farmers mitigate risks, and encourage subsidy-free markets that improve quality of life.

Despite America's advances, the global market is headed in the opposite direction. Surpluses, fueled by foreign subsidies, have sent sugar prices below production costs and fostered a system that rewards government market intervention and poor labor and environmental practices.

U.S. sugar producers will continue to advocate for a no-cost U.S. sugar policy that:

- Allows the United States to be the world leader in sustainable sugar production.
- Gives farmers, workers, and communities in the U.S. and abroad opportunities to flourish.
- Encourages fair market prices and responsible farming practices worldwide.
- Ends foreign subsidies and market-distorting trading practices that cause overproduction.
- Provides U.S. farmers adequate tools to mitigate risk while protecting taxpayers through a no cost U.S. sugar program.
- Rejects efforts to outsource U.S. sugar production to poorly regulated foreign industries.