

Kendrick Flowers, born and raised in Uniontown, Alabama, developed a passion for conservation at a young age while helping his uncle with a small beef cattle operation.

Kendrick pursued internships with NRCS during college in various counties throughout Alabama. Upon graduating from Alabama A&M University with a Bachelor's in Agricultural Science Education in 2005, he went on to teach horticulture, landscape design, and greenhouse/turf management for three years at a high school career center. In 2009, he earned a Master's in Secondary Education with a focus on Agricultural Science.

Kendrick later became a Soil Conservationist in Kalamazoo, Michigan, where he developed skills in conservation planning, wetland biology, and significantly increased his outreach engagement with historically underserved farmers. His work led to career promotions, and he eventually landed a position as District Conservationist where he managed several technical, financial, and administrative programs for the USDA in Monroe County.

Kendrick's leadership skills earned him positions as acting Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations (ASTC-FO) in both Nevada and North Carolina. During the pandemic, he completed Harvard University's Public Leadership Credential, leading to his role as ASTC-FO in Maryland in 2023. He dedicated his career to protecting the environment and educating others about agriculture. Kendrick also served as the Midwest Regional Representative for the National Organization for Professional Black Natural Resources Conservation Service Employees, where he fostered collaboration and innovation through his advocacy and outreach efforts across the region.

In March 2024, Kendrick was selected as acting Chesapeake Bay Coordinator where he coordinates with six states, local work groups, and the Environmental Protection Agency to address concerns in the bay. He is committed to environmental stewardship, education, and leadership in conservation and continues to inspire positive change and sustainable practices within the agricultural community and beyond.

In his spare time, Kendrick enjoys traveling, cycling, woodworking, gardening, working on cars, and mentoring new employees.