

Sample form, not for offline completion.

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Fund-a-Farmer Grant

Before you begin, please review the **[grant eligibility guidelines](#)**

Farm name

I have reviewed the grant eligibility guidelines

Farm owner(s) name(s)

Contact person for this application

Preferred prefix for contact person

E.g. Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms, Mx, Dr, none, etc.

Title of contact person/relationship to farm

Mailing address

Street address or PO Box

Zip code

City

State or U.S. territory

Alabama
Alaska
Arizona
Arkansas
California
Colorado
Connecticut
Delaware
Florida
Georgia
...

Farm address (if different) (optional)

Phone number for contact person

Email address for contact person

Farm website (optional)

Social media handles (optional)

How did you learn about FACT's Fund-a-Farmer Grants?

Farm tax information: I understand that, should I be selected to receive a Fund-a-Farmer Grant from FACT, I will be required to provide a copy of my farm's Schedule F or Schedule C from a recent tax filing.

Please indicate your status below:

- Yes, I will be able to provide FACT with a recent Schedule F, Schedule C or comparable form should I be selected to receive a grant.
- No, I will not be able to provide FACT with a recent Schedule F, Schedule C or comparable form should I be selected to receive a grant.
- N/A - I do not file a Schedule F or Schedule C because I farm in a U.S. territory or on tribal land or under the auspices of a federally-recognized Tribe and am not required to file this form
- Other

The Schedule F or Schedule C tax form (or comparable form) is how FACT ascertains that your farm is a working, independent farm, one of FACT's eligibility requirements. These are farms on which a family, individual or tribe owns the animals, is engaged in the day-to-day management of the farm and its animals, derives a share of livelihood from the farm, and produces a livestock product for sale.

If your farm uses a form other than Schedule F or Schedule C to report income and loss from farming, please elaborate below.

Use this space to provide any additional information on your farm tax status (optional)

FACT will fund the following:

Grants for farmers pursuing animal welfare certification: These grants support farms that are pursuing one of three animal welfare certifications: **Certified Animal Welfare Approved (AWA)** and affiliated certifications by A Greener World, **Certified Humane**, or **Global Animal Partnership (GAP) Animal Welfare Certified** (steps 4 to 5+). Proposed projects do not necessarily have to address a particular standard required for certification. These grants will be made for on-farm projects that help improve animal welfare.

Grants for welfare-certified farmers: These grants are for projects that would help farms that already hold one of the certifications above to build capacity or maintain certification. These grants can be for on-farm production-related projects, or for other projects related to marketing, sales, and distribution of welfare-certified products.

Grants for farmers who wish to improve or expand pasture for their animals: FACT will fund projects that would help farms transition to pasture-based systems, expand animals' access to well-managed pasture, and improve the quality of pasture for animals. Farmers do not need to hold or be seeking certification.

Please note: Farms and projects that fit into more than one category may select multiple types below.

Please do not include any identifying information when describing your proposed project and budget, including proper names, brands, and farm names. This is done to ensure that the final review process is anonymous.

Is your project designed to help your farm transition to a pasture-based system, expand your animals' access to well-managed pasture, and/or improve the quality of pasture?

- Yes
- No

Is your farm currently working toward becoming Certified AWA by A Greener World, Certified Humane, or GAP Animal Welfare Certified?

- Yes
- No

Is your farm already Certified Animal Welfare Approved by A Greener World, Certified Humane, or GAP Animal Welfare Certified (steps 4-5+)?

Yes

No

Describe your project in one sentence.

50 words

Include information on what it would do (i.e. Purchase portable fencing to rotationally graze goats; Install piping to supply water to dairy cows on pasture).

Indicate the species and number of animals that would benefit from the proposed project during the grant period

(March 2024 through June 2025)

| | Animal | Number |
|----|------------------|--------|
| 1 | Beef cattle | |
| 2 | Bison | |
| 3 | Broiler chickens | |
| 4 | Dairy cows | |
| 5 | Ducks | |
| 6 | Geese | |
| 7 | Goats | |
| 8 | Laying hens | |
| 9 | Sheep | |
| 10 | Swine | |
| 11 | Turkeys | |
| 12 | Other | |

Please do not include any identifying information when describing your proposed project and budget, including proper names, brands, and farm names. This is done to ensure that the final review process is anonymous.

Summarize your proposed project, including goals.

200 words

If your project is large in scope, please emphasize the part that would be funded by the grant from FACT.

Describe the current conditions and the need for the project. How would your project improve these conditions and help you achieve your goals?

200 words

Please include information about acreage and other metrics that would help us better understand your farm and project.

Describe how your project would affect animal welfare, as well as other anticipated outcomes. 200 words

If you hold one of the humane certifications and your project does not impact animal welfare, tell us how it will impact the financial sustainability of your operation.

List the steps you plan to take to implement your proposed project, including timeline and expected date of completion. 200 words

The grant period runs from March 2024 through June 2025. All proposed projects should take place during this time frame. If your project will begin sooner, please keep in mind that FACT will not fund elements of the project that are completed before March 2024.

What expertise, experience, or training do you have to successfully execute this project? 200 words

Is there any other information you would like to share about your farm or project? (optional) 200 words

Remember, please do not include identifying information.

Provide a budget that includes expenses that are related to your proposed project. In the space provided below, list the line items for your project, including item description and quantity, unit price, and the total for each line item. The maximum request is \$3,000.

Eligible expense categories include:

- Materials
- Supplies
- Equipment
- Shipping/delivery costs
- Consultant/professional fees
- Travel
- Training
- Hired labor costs outside of farm employees

Please note, no funds will be awarded for expenses related to:

- Farms that cannot provide tax documentation for their farm business, or to non-profit organizations, schools or animal sanctuaries.
- The purchase of animals (with the exception of livestock guardian dogs for all applicants, and breeding stock for animal welfare-certified farms), land, or recurring expenses such as animal feed.
- Projects solely focused on aquaculture, apiaries, alpacas, rabbits, or other types of animals not included in the list of eligible species.
- Projects related to the production of raw fluid milk for human consumption.
- Projects related to the slaughter of animals.
- Certification fees associated with animal welfare or other types of certification.
- Labor costs for the applicant or their employees.

Amount requested from FACT (\$3,000 max)

What is the total cost of your proposed project?

Materials budget for proposed project

I.e., Portable fencing | 2 | \$150 | \$300 | Premier 1, PoultryNet® 12/48/3 Electric Netting

| Materials | Quantity | Price per unit | Total | Notes |
|-----------|----------|----------------|-------|-------|
| 1 | | | | |
| 2 | | | | |
| 3 | | | | |

In the space provided above, list the line items for your project, including item description and quantity, unit price, and the total for each line item. Please be as detailed and specific as possible. If your project is part of a larger project, please indicate which portion would be funded by the grant from FACT.

Hired labor budget for proposed project (optional)

I.e., Best Well Digger | \$2000 | written quote dated 12/5/23

| Description | Cost | Notes |
|-------------|------|-------|
| 1 | | |
| 2 | | |
| 3 | | |

In the space provided above, list the labor line items for your project, including labor description, total cost, and any notes. Please note that applicant or employee labor is not eligible for funding.

Materials and labor budget above amount requested from FACT (optional)

I.e., Employee time | \$750 | 50 hrs @\$15/hr

or: Mobile coop | \$3000 | for sale online

| Description | Cost | Notes |
|-------------|------|-------|
| 1 | | |
| 2 | | |
| 3 | | |

In the space provided above list the items and labor beyond the amount requested from FACT. Be sure to include applicant and farm employee labor.

Please explain how you will fund the items listed in the space above

- Out of pocket
- Loans
- Another grant
- No additional funds are needed

If none of these options apply please explain in the Budget Narrative below.

Budget narrative (optional)

100 words

Please use this space to help us better understand your budget or to provide rationale for any unusual expenses.

Please upload three photographs that accurately depict the current state of your operation.

- At least one photograph should ***include the animals and their living conditions*** as described in your proposal.
- An image of the project site, such as an aerial photo or diagram, is encouraged.
- If you are requesting funds to purchase a structure or equipment, you may include an example of the proposed item.

Please ensure that your images and captions do not include your address or farm name, or photos of people working on the farm.

Photo 1



Image should be in one of the following formats: jpg, jpeg, png, gif, tif

Caption for photo 1

75 words

Photo 2



Image should be in one of the following formats: jpg, jpeg, png, gif, tif

Caption for photo 2

75 words

Photo 3



Image should be in one of the following formats: jpg, jpeg, png, gif, tif

Caption for photo 3

75 words

Please complete the section below to help us better understand and serve the farmers in our network. All the information you provide below will be kept strictly confidential.

Do any of the following apply to you or your farm? Select any that apply. (optional)

- My farm is owned by a member of a historically disadvantaged community as defined by the USDA (<https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/frequently-asked-questions-2501-program>)
- I am a military veteran
- My farm is women owned
- I am a beginning farmer or rancher (you have operated a farm or ranch for less than 10-consecutive years)
- I am a first generation farmer or rancher

What is the racial or ethnic identification of the farm owners? Select all that apply. (optional)

- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Native American/Alaska Native
- Middle Eastern or North African
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White
- Other
- Prefer not to say

If "other", please elaborate: (optional)

25 words

I certify that the farm for which these funds are requested is a working independent farm. This is a farm on which a family, tribe or individual owns the animals, is engaged in the day today management of the farm and its animals, derives a share of livelihood from the farm, and produces a livestock product for sale. By typing my name below, I acknowledge that the information provided in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I will be added to FACT's farmer email list to receive notification about this and future funding and training opportunities.

Name

Date