



Farmer's Fund Application

Date: _____ **Name:** _____ **County:** _____

Type of Financial Assistance (Please check only one): Heirs: Sustain Operations

Type of applicant Farmer/Rancher/Applicant: Socially Disadvantaged Beginning Limited Resource Urban
 Veteran Farmers Other _____

Financial Assistance

For: Legal

- Legal Counseling
- Court Filing Fees
- Will
- Power of Attorney
- Land Survey
- Quit Claim Deeds
- Land Surveys
- Other (Please Specify) _____

For: Sustain Operations

- Purchase Equipment
- Crop Production
- Value-Added Enterprise
- Livestock Production
- Operation

*Dealing with tenants in common issues Yes No

Requested Amount: \$ _____

General Information (Check all that apply)

- A.** What type of producer are you? Traditional (Livestock, Agronomic, etc.) Urban Farmer
- B.** Are you a member of PVAMU CEP Small Farm Institute: Yes No If yes, when? Date: _____
- C.** Do you have a USDA FSA Farm No.? Yes -Provide # _____ No
- D.** Did you attend 5 of CEP AgNR workshops? Yes No List: 1) _____ 2) _____
3) _____ 4) _____ 5) _____
- E.** Work with CEP Ag Extension Agent? Yes No List County _____ Agent's Name _____
- F.** Have you been denied an operating loan from a lending institution or from USDA FSA? Yes No
When: Date _____ Amt. \$ _____/provide documents:
- G.** Did you receive NRCS Cost-Share Assistance. Yes No: Date _____/Co. _____
Purpose: _____
- H.** Are you a CEP employee or relative of employee? Yes No: Date _____

Optional

- I.** Which category best describes your race? a) African American ___ b) White ___ c) Hispanic ___ d) Asian ___ e) Other ___
- J.** Which category best describes your gender? Male ___ Female ___
- K.** Are you a veteran? ___ Yes ___ No

Signature _____ **Date:** _____

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INSTRUCTIONS

I. GENERAL INFORMATION:

Applications are accepted for the Farmer's Fund from August 15-September 15, 2022.

To apply for the Farmer's Fund, please contact your **local CEP Extension Agent**. If you are in a county without an agent, you may visit AgNR Small Farm Institute website. (<https://www.pvamu.edu/cahs/cep/agriculture-and-natural-resources/small-farm-institute/technical-assistance-programs/>) to submit an application.

II. PROCESS

The following describes process of how to apply for Small Farm Institute Farmer's Fund programs:

- 1st)** Fill out a Small Farm Institute Enrolment Form
- 2nd)** Complete the Farmer's Fund Application and provide appropriate documentation.
- 3rd)** Submit application by deadline.
 - a. Return application to CEP Extension Agent for your county
 - b. If no CEP Agent in your county, email to: clbunch@pvamu.edu or mail to: P.O Box 519, MS 2001, Prairie View, TX 77446

III. Applications are received, evaluated, ranked, and approved by September 20, 2022. Applications are awarded based on ranking, locations, need based, and first come first served approach. Applicants are responsible for completing and filing application. Farmers Fund is open to all eligible agricultural producers. Applicants are strongly encouraged to work with local CEP Extension Agent.

III. ELIGIBILITY

Socially disadvantaged, limited resources, underrepresented, farmers, ranchers and forest landowners who are currently owning or renting agricultural land are eligible. Farmers Fund assistance can be provided for Heirs property issues and all types of agricultural operations, including:

- Conventional and organic
- Specialty crops and commodity crops
- Forestry
- Wildlife
- Livestock operations