



FOOD, FAITH AND FARMING NETWORK

Strengthening Connections in Rural Southwest Wisconsin

Application for Seed Money for 2021

When we plant seeds, we have faith that a crop will be forthcoming. Food, Faith and Farming Network is offering seed money for new initiatives that support our mission and address the issues raised in our Rural Listening/Networking Sessions held in early 2018. While we highly recommend applying for projects that are stated as priorities below, other worthy initiatives will be considered. In addition to evaluating whether a project meets our mission and our priorities, the following criteria will be considered. Does the project: 1) address a significant community issue; 2) build a network of individuals/groups to collaborate on the issue and 3) demonstrate energy and commitment to achieve stated goals?

Priorities are:

- Fostering production/sale of local foods
- Fostering faith connections between land and people
- Fostering sustainable/regenerative farming
- Creating/enhancing farmers' markets
- Creating/enhancing local food systems
- Creating/enhancing agricultural processing facilities
- Transitioning farms to the next generation
- Training farm and/or non-farm labor
- Promoting rural community development initiatives

Expectations of Project

Aligns with mission of the Network
Addresses one or more of our prioritized areas
Is supported by a network of interested parties
Has clearly defined actions and outcomes
Informs the Network of project progress

Expectations of the Network

Provides seed money to advance projects
Serves as a sounding board for projects
Provides input on networking possibilities
Publicizes projects on our website
Provides help in publicizing projects

Size of available seed money project funding: \$1200 --\$1500

Deadline: January 15, 2021

Awardees notified: February 26, 2021

Submit application forms via email to: foodfaithandfarmingnetwork@gmail.com

Forms may also be mailed to:

Roger Williams
3768 Bohnsack Lane
Cottage Grove, WI 53527

Questions: Contact Roger Williams at rtwillia@wisc.edu or 608-839-4758.

Project Description

Name of Project

Sponsoring Organization

Issue to be addressed

County/location of the project

Desired outcomes of the project

Actions planned to reach outcomes

Timeline for planned actions

Budget showing how the Seed Money will be used

Working Group (Check One): Group already exists Group is being formed

Agencies/organizations involved in Working Group

Names of other sources of support, whether financial or in-kind

Names, affiliations, emails and phone numbers of persons currently involved in the project

Project Contact and Essential Information

Primary Contact

Affiliation

Email

Phone

Address

Amount of funding requested

Date funds are needed

Organization for which the check should be written

Address the check should be sent to