



## FOOD, FAITH AND FARMING NETWORK

### Strengthening Connections in Rural Southwest Wisconsin

### Application for Seed Money for 2023

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 extend our mission in Southwest Wisconsin and address the issues raised in our Rural Listening/Networking Sessions held in 2018. While we highly recommend applying for projects that address priority issues below, other worthy initiatives will be considered. *Please be aware that we will not fund projects for more than two consecutive years.* In addition to evaluating whether a project meets our mission and priorities, we will consider these criteria: Does it: 1) address a significant community issue; 2) outline an innovative solution to confronting the issue; 3) build a network of individuals/groups to collaborate on the issue and 4) demonstrate energy and commitment to achieve the stated goals?

#### Priorities Issues

- Fostering faith connections between land and people
- Fostering production/sale of local foods
- 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
- Stewarding our sacred land and water

#### 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:** Maximum of \$1500

**Deadline:** January 30, 2023

**Awardees notified:** February 27, 2023

**Submit application forms via email to:** [foodfaithandfarmingnetwork@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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**

**Organization website/Facebook page (if available)**