

FY 2023

# FOOD INSECURE URBAN AGRICULTURE MATCHING GRANT

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#### **Grant Overview**

- Maximum Award: \$50,000
- For reimbursement of expenses associated with food insecurity in urbanized areas
- Direct impact to reduce food insecurity in urbanized areas



#### **Grant Overview**

- Projects must reside in Urban Areas\*
  - Cape Girardeau
  - Columbia
  - Jefferson City
  - Joplin
  - Kansas City

- Lee's Summit
- Springfield
- St. Joseph
- St. Louis

\*There are additional cities grouped into these urban areas designated by the Missouri Census Data Center listed under *Missouri Urban Clusters*.

<a href="http://mcdc.missouri.edu/applications/geocodes/?state=29">http://mcdc.missouri.edu/applications/geocodes/?state=29</a>



#### **Grant Overview**

- Must support initiatives to increase food production and availability to local residents
- Demonstrate growth of local economy
- Enhance already established areas within urbanized communities



## **Eligible Expenses**

- Project-approved supplies
  - Supplies approved by the grant review committee and listed in the award letter
- Reconstruction or new construction of facilities
  - Electrical, lumber, build-out materials, plumbing
- Expansion/enhancement of current facilities
  - CoolBot, greenhouse, irrigation, equipment
- Feasibility study



# **Ineligible Expenses**

- Food purchases
- Vehicle & fuel expenses
- Salaries/payroll for employees
- Donations/contributions to fundraisers
- Supplies/expenses not previously approved
- Building lease costs
- Costs incurred through other MDA financial opportunities



## Zero Balance Invoices

- Invoices must have a zero (\$0) balance
- Invoice with proof of payment for that invoice
- Include in supply purchase report
  - Due: November 30, 2022



- Project Title
- Executive Summary
  - Include who, what, when, where, why
- Project Description
  - Overview of project plans
    - Implementation details, timeline, major expenses
    - How does the project impact a food insecure urban area?



- Impact Potential & Metrics
  - Who and how many people will project impact?
  - How will project impact them?
  - What are estimated outcome measures?
    - Reduction % of food insecurity
    - # of people served in # of years

- Detailed Costs & Allocated Funds
  - Use table provided in application

Description	Gra	ant Request	Ca	ish Match	In-Kind Match	Total
Irrigation system	\$	10,000.00				\$ 10,000.00
Electrical supplies			\$	2,500.00		\$ 2,500.00
						\$ -
OR						\$ -
						\$ -
Irrigation system	\$	8,000.00	\$	2,000.00		\$ 10,000.00
						\$ -
						\$ -
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						\$ -
TOTALS	\$	18,000.00	\$	4,500.00	\$ -	\$ 22,500.00

# **Matching Funds Explanation**

- Applicants must provide at minimum a \$0.25:\$1 match for the project
  - The matching funds can be cash and in-kind
  - Cash match must be equal to or greater than 50% of the total match
  - In-kind (salaries, donations, volunteer hours)

Amount Requested	25% Match Total	Cash Match	In-Kind Match
\$50,000	\$12,500	\$6,250	\$6,250

Applicant must initially spend \$62,500.



- Letters of support must be attached to application
  - Must include type of support
- Two authorized signatures
  - One of which must be the point of contact for the entirety of the grant period

## **Required Documents**

- Obtain a Missouri Business License
  - Be in "good standing" with Secretary of State
- Complete Form 943 to obtain *Certificate of No Tax Due* from Department of Revenue
  - Valid for 90 days
- Provide copy of MOU issued from E-Verify
- Register as a vendor in MissouriBuys
  - Required for reimbursement by the State of Missouri



# Inspections

- Will be completed prior to reimbursement
- Must have supplies and/or equipment available for viewing
- Projects should be complete or near completion



## **Example Projects**

- Agriculture Education Center
  - fence, soil, greenhouse, rain barrel, deck, compost bins, bags for Produce Packs, wheelbarrows, garden tools, raised beds, solar panels, mulch
- Urban Apiary
  - fence, security cameras, beekeeping supplies, seeds, plants, soil, irrigation equipment, signage, laptop for education
- Farm Feasibility Planning Project
  - planning study



# **Example Projects**

#### Healthy Meal Kit Prep Kitchen

 cold storage refrigerators, building of shelving, washing station, kitchen tools and equipment, marketing material, recipe cards, mobile mini demo station

#### Processing Kitchen

 sinks, stove, water heater, dish washer, walk-in cooler, electric panel, plumbing and gas service lines



# **Important Dates**

Description	Date
Application Deadline	August 31, 2022
Anticipated Award Date	September 2022
Supply Purchases Due*	November 30, 2022
Final Report Due	on or before April 1, 2023
Inspection Date	completed by May 1, 2023

There are separate reimbursement forms for supplies and the final report.

\*Supply purchases include materials, equipment, etc.



#### **Submission Info**

#### **Submit Applications to:**

Missouri Dept. of Agriculture
Food Insecure Urban Agriculture Grant
Attn: Whitney Williams
PO Box 630
Jefferson City, MO 65102
Email: Grants@mda.mo.gov

#### **Additional Questions:**

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