

2018 Awardees New York State New Farmers Grant Fund Program

Applicant / Farm Operation	Region/County	Project Description	Grant Amount
Tiny Hearts Farm	Capital District (Columbia)	Purchase field equipment and supplies to increase acreage in flower production.	\$28,567
Common Hands Farm LLC	Capital District (Columbia)	Purchase field equipment to increase crop yields.	\$16,288
David & Kelly Lendrum	Capital District (Albany)	Purchase equipment to expand hay production.	\$21,300
Battenkill Valley Farms	Capital District (Washington)	Purchase equipment to diversify crop production.	\$20,525
On The Farm	Capital District (Columbia)	Construct a barn to expand hay making capacity.	\$15,750
Shared Roots Farm LLC	Central New York (Cortland)	Purchase equipment to expand cold storage and vegetable farm operations.	\$20,778
Sunswick Farm	Central New York (Cayuga)	Construct a structure to increase honey production.	\$50,000
Cayuga View Farm	Central New York (Cayuga)	Build a barn to increase the quality and quantity of hay production.	\$25,550
Elly's Acres Farm, LLC	Central New York (Onondaga)	Purchase equipment to expand sheep farming operation.	\$50,000
Robinson Family Farms LLC	Finger Lakes (Wayne)	Purchase rootstock, tools and equipment to establish a farm nursery and expand operations.	\$49,990
Flowerwell LLC	Finger Lakes (Monroe)	Construct a new processing building to expand production.	\$50,000
William & Emily Smith	Finger Lakes (Wayne)	Construct a livestock barn to more efficiently house animals and manage manure.	\$33,810
Fire Creek Farms	Finger Lakes (Livingston)	Build a barn and purchase equipment to expand hay production.	\$50,000
Strickland Farms	Finger Lakes (Wayne)	Construct a barn to protect equipment and store apples.	\$50,000
Valley View Devons	Finger Lakes (Livingston)	Purchase equipment and add portable storage facilities to store hay, and improve livestock feed quality.	\$28,651
Preston's Farms	Finger Lakes (Orleans)	Purchase field equipment, trees and supplies to expand production acreage.	\$50,000
Bonnie Castle Farms, LLC	Finger Lakes (Wayne)	Purchase field equipment to improve fruit production.	\$36,267
Stein Seafoods LLC	Long Island (Suffolk)	Purchase equipment to increase oyster farm production and operational efficiency.	\$38,710
Long Season Farm	Mid-Hudson (Ulster)	Purchase equipment to increase production and extend the agricultural season.	\$17,136
Rose Hill Farm, 1798 LLC	Mid-Hudson (Dutchess)	Plant apple trees and install a trellis system to diversify fruit for cider production.	\$21,912

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Grape Hollow Farm	Mid-Hudson (Dutchess)	Extend infrastructure to greenhouses and orchard to increase production capacity.	\$21,356
Michael B's Honey Co	Mohawk Valley (Oneida)	Purchase equipment to facilitate honey processing.	\$19,230
Windy Hill Goat Dairy	Mohawk Valley (Otsego)	Buy equipment to produce higher-quality livestock forage.	\$21,355
Lovin' Mama Farm	Mohawk Valley (Montgomery)	Purchase greenhouses, equipment and supplies to expand production and extend the agricultural season.	\$22,560
North Country Creamery, LLC	North Country (Essex)	Purchase processing equipment to produce value-added products.	\$50,000
Berry Brook Farm LLC	Southern Tier (Delaware)	Construct a greenhouse and increase cold storage to expand production.	\$16,500
Cupola Ridge Farms, LLC	Southern Tier (Tioga)	Build a barn for livestock and hay storage and purchase equipment.	\$49,150
McCollum Orchards, LLC	Western NY (Niagara)	Build a greenhouse, renovate a wash/pack station, and purchase equipment and supplies to expand production.	\$29,411
Meyer's Homegrown, LLC	Western NY (Erie)	Purchase equipment to expand production.	\$27,802

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Sparrowbush Farm	Capital District (Columbia)	Purchase field equipment and cold storage to expand vegetable production.	\$33,068
Reilly's Farm	Capital District (Rensselaer)	Renovate a barn and purchase field equipment to expand Christmas tree and maple syrup production.	\$32,625
Hillard's Greenhouse	Capital District (Albany)	Construct a greenhouse to more efficiently grow flowers and vegetables.	\$47,555
Timothy J. Virgil	Central NY (Onondaga)	Construct and equip a livestock barn, install fencing and purchase field equipment to expand beef operation.	\$49,521
Edward R. Berwanger	Finger Lakes (Wyoming)	Construct a silo and barn addition, and purchase equipment to more efficiently feed dairy cows and increase milk production.	\$50,000
B.C. Ameele Fruit Farms LLC	Finger Lakes (Wayne)	Plant trees and trellis systems to expand apple orchard.	\$17,404
McCracken Farms	Finger Lakes (Monroe)	Purchase field equipment to expand vegetable operation and increase sustainable practices.	\$23,150
Pacello Orchards	Finger Lakes (Wayne)	Purchase field equipment to increase efficiencies at orchard.	\$34,474
North Fork Boutique Gardens Inc.	Long Island (Suffolk)	Purchase equipment to increase efficiencies and expand production at plant nursery.	\$50,000
Harbor Lights Oyster Co., LLC	Long Island (Suffolk)	Purchase equipment to increase oyster production and sorting capacities.	\$50,000
Sun Sprout Farm LLC	Mid-Hudson (Orange)	Purchase field equipment to extend vegetable growing season and diversify markets.	\$49,966
Farm Tournant, LLC	Mid-Hudson (Orange)	Construct greenhouses, expand cold storage capacity, and purchase equipment to expand the agricultural season and advance food safety techniques.	\$28,122
Wagon Wheel Farm LLC	Mid-Hudson (Orange)	Purchase field equipment and supplies, increase refrigeration capacity, and improve high tunnel area to increase acreage in production.	\$22,680
Fable Foods LLC	Mid-Hudson (Westchester)	Construct hoop houses with wash stations to diversify production and increase sustainable practices.	\$41,042
Lookin' Up Farm	Mohawk Valley (Schoharie)	Purchase silage baling equipment to improve livestock feed quality and increase field productivity.	\$22,250

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Jean and Alexander Stabinski	Mohawk Valley (Montgomery)	Purchase equipment to increase hay bale production and improve efficiencies.	\$16,157
Patrick and Christina Miller	Mohawk Valley (Otsego)	Construct and equip a barn to house livestock and improve dairy farm's efficiency.	\$21,500
Blue Pepper Farm LLC	North Country (Essex)	Purchase equipment to process the farm's sheep milk into yogurt and diversify operations.	\$16,000
Schiltz Farms	North Country (St. Lawrence)	Install drainage tile to increase acreage in grain production and produce higher quality yields.	\$50,000
Rejuvenate Forever LLC	NYC (Queens)	Purchase growing equipment and refrigeration to expand vertical farm productivity and product quality.	\$33,000
Lilley Farms, LLC	Southern Tier (Chenango)	Construct and equip a livestock barn and purchase field equipment to expand the farm's herd and increase meat sales.	\$47,589
Groundwork Market Garden Inc.	Western NY (Erie)	Renovate a building for a mushroom growing facility to expand and diversify an urban vegetable farm's production.	\$22,278
Justin Hinz	Western NY (Allegany)	Purchase field equipment to improve feed quality and quantity at cattle farm.	\$50,000
Victorianbourg Wine Estate, Ltd.	Western NY (Niagara)	Purchase field equipment to increase grape yields, and construct a barn for equipment storage.	\$29,739

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MX Morningstar Farm	Capital District (Columbia)	Purchase equipment and supplies to increase vegetable yields and crop storage capacity.	\$30,436
Letterbox Farm LLC	Capital District (Columbia)	Purchase equipment, and construct hoop houses to extend the agricultural season, house livestock, and create a vegetable wash station.	\$31,000
Blue Star Farm NY LLC	Capital District (Columbia)	Renovate and expand a barn for a vegetable wash station, a walk-in freezer and crop storage, to increase production and grow winter market opportunities.	\$50,000
First Light Farm & Creamery	Finger Lakes (Genesee)	Construct a barn addition to house a growing goat herd and increase milk production.	\$50,000
Camman Acres LLC	Finger Lakes (Monroe)	Purchase tractor equipment to increase acreage in cultivation, and install equipment to expand cold storage capacity.	\$18,021
Buttonwood Grove Winery	Finger Lakes (Seneca)	Install drainage tile and plant vines to expand vineyard and diversify grape production.	\$50,000
Hartway Brothers	Finger Lakes (Orleans)	Purchase field equipment to expand vegetable operation and increase sustainable practices.	\$42,500
Lyman and Chelsey Rudgers	Finger Lakes (Wyoming)	Purchase dairy operation equipment, and increase grain storage capacity, to more efficiently milk and feed cows and expand milk sales.	\$50,000
Sannino's Bella Vita Vineyard	Long Island (Suffolk)	Purchase supplies for installing vines and trellis systems to expand and diversify grape production.	\$19,154
Long Season Farm	Mid-Hudson (Ulster)	Construct a high tunnel with a vegetable wash and pack area to expand crop production and advance food safety techniques.	\$32,119
Westwind Orchard LLC	Mid-Hudson (Ulster)	Purchase equipment to expand hard cider production and protect orchard from frost damage.	\$48,619
Michael B's Honey Co.	Mohawk Valley (Oneida)	Purchase equipment to expand honey production and improve honey extraction process.	\$30,770
Autumn Valley Farm	Mohawk Valley (Otsego)	Construct a calf barn to increase milk production, upgrade fencing to allow for rotational grazing, and purchase equipment to produce quality hay.	\$39,900
Collins Farm, LLC	Mohawk Valley (Oneida)	Construct a calf barn to expand dairy operations and install an automatic feeder system to improve livestock health.	\$50,000
Dygert Farms Creamery	Mohawk Valley (Montgomery)	Purchase equipment for a milk processing plant to diversify dairy operations.	\$37,500

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Reber Rock Farm	North Country (Essex)	Construct and equip a licensed custom exempt slaughterhouse to expand freezer meat business.	\$35,065
Echo Farm	North Country (Essex)	Construct a barn and renovate an existing barn to expand operations, house and milk livestock, and store equipment.	\$23,401
Black Rooster Maple	North Country (Essex)	Purchase equipment for expanding maple syrup production and processing.	\$50,000
Hemlock Ridge Farm	Southern Tier (Steuben)	Renovate a barn for a seed cleaning facility and purchase seed cleaning and grain storage equipment to diversify agricultural production.	\$50,000
Nanticoke Gardens	Southern Tier (Broome)	Purchase equipment to streamline greenhouse planting operation and expand production capacity.	\$49,510
Bensvue Farms LLC	Southern Tier (Tompkins)	Purchase hay forage equipment to increase dairy livestock feed quality and reduce farm waste.	\$46,118
Shannon Brook Farm	Southern Tier (Schuyler)	Construct a barn to house breeding ewes to extend lambing season and provide hay storage.	\$44,000
Homestead Hog Farm	Southern Tier (Steuben)	Renovate and expand a barn for livestock housing, install fencing to improve grazing opportunities, and purchase equipment to improve animal health and safety.	\$38,741
Black Bird Cider Works	Western NY (Niagara)	Purchase processing equipment to expand hard cider products produced.	\$46,245
Bliss Dairy Company, Inc.	Western NY (Cattaraugus)	Purchase dairy and field equipment to improve livestock health, and increase soil productivity and sustainable practices.	\$50,000
Nathan & Sarah Nickerson	Western NY (Chautauqua)	Renovate a barn and install fencing to expand beef cattle farm.	\$16,660
Niefergold Dairy, LLC	Western NY (Erie)	Construct and equip a heifer barn to improve livestock health and increase production.	\$50,000

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Sparrowbush Farm	Capital District (Columbia)	Purchase field preparation and irrigation equipment to increase production efficiency and sustainability.	\$16,932
MX Morningstar Farm	Capital District (Columbia)	Purchase equipment and supplies for weed control, fertility, and irrigation to increase per-acre yields and gain efficiencies.	\$19,200
Eastern Hay Company, LLC	Capital District (Washington)	Purchase hay handling and harvesting equipment, expand a hay storage facility, and enhance the fertility of the farm to increase productivity.	\$45,485
Z's Nutty Ridge, LLC	Central NY (Cortland)	Purchase equipment and supplies, construct a greenhouse, and install fencing to develop a hazel orchard and nut tree nursery.	\$17,334
Main Street Farms, LLC	Central NY (Cortland)	Purchase a commercial grade cooler for perishables to reduce farm waste and improve profitability.	\$17,000
Shared Roots Farm, LLC	Central NY (Cortland)	Renovate a barn into a facility for washing and packing vegetables. Purchase equipment and supplies to increase production.	\$21,428
Ingersoll Farms	Central NY (Oswego)	Construct a greenhouse and purchase equipment and supplies to expand and diversify markets.	\$49,051
McCracken Farms	Finger Lakes (Monroe)	Construct greenhouses and purchase supplies to extend the growing season and advance a partnership with the Rochester Farm to Preschool Program.	\$24,669
Bolton Farms, Inc.	Finger Lakes (Monroe)	Renovate a greenhouse to more efficiently grow hydroponic produce and purchase equipment to expand crop production.	\$24,788
Blue Moon Bend, LLC	Finger Lakes (Wayne)	Install dairy equipment to diversify products and recycle whey by-products.	\$20,250
Bhumi Farm, Inc.	Long Island (Suffolk)	Purchase supplies and equipment, and install fencing to increase vegetable production.	\$22,943
Alewife Farm, LLC	Mid Hudson (Dutchess)	Purchase equipment and irrigation and planting supplies to expand vegetable production.	\$15,728
Sawkill Farm	Mid Hudson (Dutchess)	Construct a barn to house livestock and purchase related equipment.	\$33,925
Platte Creek Maple Farm	Mid Hudson (Ulster)	Purchase equipment to expand maple syrup production and diversify into value added products.	\$26,289
Jones Family Farm LLC	Mohawk Valley (Herkimer)	Construct an addition to an existing cheese making facility and purchase machinery to increase capacity and automate production.	\$42,675
Windy Hill Goat Dairy	Mohawk Valley (Otsego)	Construct two structures to house livestock and purchase equipment to improve forage management.	\$28,645

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Juniper Hill Farm	North Country (Essex)	Construct two greenhouses to extend the growing season and purchase equipment to develop an organic seed potato operation.	\$49,783
Mace Chasm Farm, LLC	North Country (Essex)	Construct an addition to an on-farm butcher shop and purchase cold storage equipment to expand and diversify production capacity.	\$50,000
Echo Farm	North Country (Essex)	Purchase equipment, erect a high tunnel and fence, and enhance an animal watering system to expand production and extend the growing season.	\$26,599
Full and By Farm, LLC	North Country (Essex)	Install drainage tile and erect a fence to increase vegetable and grain production and better manage livestock grazing.	\$16,000
North Branch Farms	North Country (Jefferson)	Construct a barn and purchase equipment for a GAP (Good Agricultural Practices) certified packing facility to expand vegetable production and for use as a potential local food hub.	\$45,000
Michael & Carrie Higby	North Country (Lewis)	Purchase a mixer wagon to more efficiently feed dairy cows and increase milk production.	\$18,000
Plowbreak Farm	Southern Tier (Schuyler)	Construct a high tunnel, expand cold storage, install drainage tile, and purchase machinery to increase production and extend the growing season.	\$21,404
Van Noble Farm	Southern Tier (Tompkins)	Construct a livestock barn and install fencing on newly acquired farmland in order to move a pasture-based hog operation from leased property.	\$40,362
Perry-Dice Organics	Western NY (Cattaraugus)	Purchase equipment to increase production and improve efficiencies at a grain farm.	\$49,534

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Raven & Boar LLC	Capital (Columbia)	The grant will provide funding for construction of a commercial kitchen on the farm and the purchase and installation of machinery and equipment to operate the kitchen. The kitchen will be used to prepare value-added meat products.	\$50,000
Ironwood Farm LLC	Capital (Columbia)	The grant will allow for expansion of the vegetable farm's growing capacity and involves installation of fencing and an irrigation system; purchase of supplies and equipment; and construction of a field house and storage shed.	\$17,748
Main Street Farms, LLC	Central New York (Cortland)	The grant will provide funding for machinery and equipment which will enable the farm to increase vegetable production and storage.	\$33,000
New Moon Farms	Central New York (Madison)	The grant will provide funding for the expansion of a dairy farm through the construction of a cow barn and a young stock facility, and the purchase of machinery and equipment.	\$50,000
Common Thread CSA, LLC	Central New York (Madison)	The grant will be used to improve soil health and increase produce production through the purchase of equipment to enhance the vegetable farm's growing system.	\$23,969
Silver Thread Vineyard	Finger Lakes (Seneca)	The grant will be used to enhance the quality and quantity of the vineyard's grapes by making improvements to the irrigation and drainage system, planting new grape vines, and purchasing supplies and equipment.	\$20,123
Condzella Hops LLC	Long Island (Suffolk)	The grant will be used to acquire machinery and equipment which will enable the farm to expand its production to include malting barley.	\$17,009
Browder's Birds LLC	Long Island (Suffolk)	The grant will provide funding for infrastructure improvements to the poultry farm including the installation of a year-round livestock watering system, pasture irrigation system, compost system and perimeter fencing; and the purchase of a tractor and generator.	\$22,045
Alewife Farm LLC	Mid-Hudson (Dutchess)	The grant will provide funding for the expansion of a vegetable farm by increasing production and extending the growing season through the purchase of machinery and equipment, and supplies and materials.	\$16,332
Yellow Bell Farm LLC	Mid-Hudson (Dutchess)	The grant will assist in the relocation of a poultry farm from leased property to property recently purchased by the applicant. This project will include the construction of two barns and the purchase and installation of cold storage units.	\$50,000
Painted Goat Farm, LLC	Mohawk Valley (Otsego)	The grant will provide funding for the expansion of a milk house for the farm's goats and the purchase of equipment for a milking system to improve efficiency and increase production.	\$29,121
Falls Pride Dairy	Mohawk Valley (Oneida)	The grant will allow for the construction of a barn to house the farm's young calves, providing a proper environment for healthier calves.	\$32,765

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Arabeth Farm	Mohawk Valley (Herkimer)	The grant will assist in the expansion of a beef production and breeding stock farm. This will include site preparation work, construction of a barn, installation of pasture fencing and the purchase of equipment.	\$50,000
Blue Pepper Farm LLC	North Country (Essex)	The grant will allow for the expansion of the farm operation to include a sheep milk micro dairy. This will involve construction of a milking parlor, milk house and cold storage facility; making improvements to an existing barn; purchase of milking equipment; and, installation of perimeter fencing.	\$34,000
Full and By Farm.	North Country (Essex)	The grant will allow a farm in need of storage space, to construct a barn to house field equipment and store dry crops.	\$18,576
Fledging Crow Vegetables LLC	North Country (Essex)	The grant will provide funding to ready a new field for planting, construction of farm storage structures, and purchase of farm equipment and supplies necessary for producing and harvesting vegetables.	\$37,248
Mauer's Mountain Farms LLC	Southern Tier (Delaware)	The grant will provide funding for improvements to the heating, ventilation and watering systems at a guinea hen farm, and the purchase of a portable hay chopper and feed.	\$50,000
H & H Meadows	Western New York (Cattaraugus)	The grant will allow for the expansion of a beef and hay farm operation by increasing the acreage producing agricultural product. This will involve the purchase of tillage and planting equipment.	\$43,219
Providence Creek Farm	Western New York (Erie)	The grant will allow for expansion of the farm operation through the purchase of chicken processing and haying equipment; barn improvements; installation of fencing; and the purchase of seeds.	\$15,104