

2015 Awardees New York State New Farmers Grant Fund Program

Applicant / Farm Operation	Region/County	Project Description	Grant Amount
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