

DO YOU HAVE A FOOD OR FARM BUSINESS?

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN TRYING OUT A NEW IDEA?

Join us for a workshop designed to help you identify which grants or other financial options might be right for you. This workshop will address ways to plan your project and strengthen your application.



Dates & Locations

Tuesday, September 17th – Central WI – Marshfield

Marshfield Ag Research station: 2611 Yellowstone Dr. Marshfield, WI

**Early-bird registration closes on Sept 10th*

To register visit: <http://bit.ly/Aggrants> or, contact the Marathon County Extension office at: (715) 261 - 1245



Thursday, September 26th – Southern WI – Iowa County

Iowa County Health and Human Services Building, Community Room,
303 W. Chapel Street, Dodgeville, WI 53533

**Early-bird registration closes on Sept 19th*

To register, contact: Barry Hottmann or Gene Schriefer at
barry.hottmann@ces.uwex.edu or gene.schriefer@ces.uwex.edu or 608-930-9850.



REGISTRATION FEE OF \$15 WILL COVER THE COST OF LUNCH AND MATERIALS

Registration after early bird deadline is \$20.00

Scholarships are available to help cover the registration fee. Please ask for more information during registration.

If you are interested in attending and need accommodations, please let your local registration contact know.

Successfully Applying to Agricultural Grant Programs

2019 Workshop Agenda

This workshop is designed to give farmers and agricultural entrepreneurs information, tools, and hands-on training to strengthen grant and loan applications. This workshop will help you create a competitive application and get the financial resources you need to fuel your business.

- 9:00 AM Check-in
- 9:30 AM Welcome and Introductions
Participants are invited to give a brief introduction to their projects
Diane Mayerfeld, UW-Extension/SARE
- 10:00 AM Designing a sound project, identifying funding sources and grant-writing basics
Margaret Krome, Michael Fields Agricultural Institute
- 12:00 PM Lunch
- 12:30 PM Lunch Program – Perspective from a grant recipient:
“How I applied for and used a grant in my agriculture business”
- 1:15 PM Grant Programs Highlights
- USDA Specialty Crop Block Grant
 - DATCP Buy Local, Buy Wisconsin Grant
 - DATCP Farmer-Led Watershed Grant
 - USDA SARE Farmer-Rancher Grant
 - USDA Value-Added Producer Grant
- 2:00 PM Hands-on Grant Proposal Evaluation & Development
- Review and evaluate an actual proposal in groups.
Diane Mayerfeld, UW-Extension/SARE
- 3:00 PM Additional Financial Options
- Farm Service Agency – Farm Loans & Micro-loan Program
 - Natural Resources Conservation Service – Cost Share Programs
 - Farm Credit System Bank – Loan Programs
- 3:45 PM Networking and one-on-one Q&A with presenters
- 4:00 PM Adjourn

PARTNERS:

Michael Fields Agricultural Institute • USDA, Rural Development • USDA, SARE • UW-Madison Division of Extension • WI Dept. of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection • Compeer Financial

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