

Project categories include:

- Irrigation and
 Water Efficiency
 - Ecosystem
 Management
- Shading and Cooling
- Soil Health Management
- Crop
 Management
- Equipment
 Purchase, Rental
 or refurbishment
- On-Farm Planning, Monitoring, and Research

Farmer & Rancher Disaster Resilience Grant Program

The 2023 Oregon Legislature allocated million \$2.65 to the Oregon Community Food System Network (OCFSN) for the Farmer & Rancher **Disaster Resilience Grant Program.** This program will support Oregon's small producers to be more resilient to disasters. The climate program prioritizes funding that benefits historically underserved farmers and ranchers.

This grant program builds on the successful 2022 Farmer and Rancher Disaster Relief Program which awarded \$1.5 million in disaster relief small producers impacted by for climate disasters in 2021. With guidance from producers, Friends of Family Farmers, other farmer supporting organizations, and OSU Extension experts from across the State, this program will quickly and fairly distribute these funds in 2024.

Eligibility:

Applicants must operate a small farm or ranch business located within the state of Oregon.

For this grant, Small Farms/Ranches are defined by the sales of products being no more than \$350,000 in 2022. Please reach out to our grant team with any questions about your eligibility.

Application materials, review rubric, and grant application available at <u>ocfsn.org/disaster-resilience-grant</u>

	Small Grants	Large Grants
Priorities	 Create an accessible grant program for a diverse array of small farms and ranches across Oregon Create a grant program that prioritizes small and historically underserved farmers and ranchers in Oregon Prioritize farmers in Oregon Counties most impacted by drought Prioritize and invest in direct outreach to historically underserved farmers and their communities Provide support to grant applicants to improve success rate Conduct robust reporting and testimonial gathering 	
Funding Category Description	For smaller on-farm resilience projects. These are lower barrier to access grants with a shorter application. Smaller grants allow for funding to go to more farms across the state.	For more complex projects that have a significant resilience impact. This grant is best for larger equipment/infrastructure projects that may include planning or coordinating. They have a longer application.
Number of Awards in 2024	75	30
Application Period	January 1 – March 1, 2024	January 1 – March 1, 2024
Award Amounts	\$1,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 - \$50,000
Anticipated Award Date	April 30, 2024	April 30, 2024
Project Final Reporting Date	March 30, 2025	March 30, 2025

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