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2019 Community Orchard and Food Forest Grants

(Anchorage, AK) – The Alaska Community Forestry Program is offering grants for the 2019 planting season to support the testing and demonstration of fruit trees (and possibly nut trees) that can be grown in Alaska. Trees may be planted in an orchard or in public landscapes throughout a community. These projects will help us evaluate the success of different fruit trees and community orchard and food forest models, share results and make recommendations.

Grants may fund a traditional orchard or a food forest that mimics a natural forest ecosystem. Food forests include trees, shrubs, perennials, and annuals to create the layers found in a forest. They produce a variety of foods; improve the soil; attract pollinators; and provide a diversity of habitat.

Grants will be up to \$2,000 and approximately \$10,000 is available. For information, see the Request for Proposals, Application, and Grant Report form at <http://forestry.alaska.gov/community/grants>

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