MICRO-GRANTS FOOD SECURITY DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Agriculture

THE FOLLOWING IS INFORMATION ON THE MICRO GRANTS FOR FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM OVERSEEN BY THE ALASKA DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE (DOAG).





HOW CAN I APPLY:

All applications are submitted electronically through the State of Alaska Division of Agriculture SmartSimple Grant application website.



<u>WHO IS ELIGIBLE?</u>

Anyone 18 year of age or older and a citizen of the state of Alaska.

Who can apply?

Both individuals and organizations may apply.

For ORGANIZATIONS: Only organizations/entities that directly address food insecurity as those outlined in the federal statutes may apply as a single organization.

For INDIVIDUALS: only ONE application per household will be accepted.

What types of projects are accepted?



Under category: Purchasing gardening tools or equipment, soil, soil amendments, seeds, plants, animals, canning equipment, refrigeration, and other necessary items to grow and store food: \$1,500 (plus \$750-\$1,500 shipping allowance).

• Freezer

- Vacuum packing
- Garden Box/soil amendments/tools/seeds
- Apiary
- Garden Fencing
- Grow towers/seeds
- Hydroponics
- Master Gardner's class/soil amendments/tools/seeds
- High/Low tunnel or Hoop House
- Vis queen bed covers/ Vis queen popups



LIVESTOCK/POULTRY FENCING

Under category: Building, buying, erecting, or repairing fencing for livestock, poultry, or reindeer: \$3,500(plus \$750-\$1,500 shipping allowance).

Livestock/Poultry/Fencing-may include shelters.

GREENHOUSES

Under category: Engaging in an activity that extends the growing season: \$3,500(plus \$750-\$1,500 shipping allowance).

- Purchase a greenhouse kit to assemble.
- Purchase lumber and build your own greenhouse.

NOTE: Greenhouses are defined as a permanent climate-controlled structure enclosed, typically by glass or multiple layers of plastic, is used year-round for the cultivation or protection of plants, and is generally weather resistant.



SUBSISTENCE

▶ In Alaska, this includes fishing, hunting, and harvesting wild plants: \$1,500 (plus \$750-\$1,500 shipping allowance).

- Fishing-dip nets, poles, lures, tackle boxes, flies, bait, etc.
- Canning/Processing/smokehouses and racks, vacuum packaging equipment and supplies.
- Pressure cookers, jars/lids, and pickling supplies.
- Refrigerator/freezer-root cellars and other necessary items to store food.
- Subsistence supplies-knives, backpacks, waders, coolers, bow & arrows, etc. (NOT ammo, guns, firearms, shells, etc.
 Anything relating to guns or firearms is prohibited under these Micro-Grants for Food Security funds.)

HOW ARE SELECTIONS MADE?

• The grant selection and scoring criteria remain focused on the most food-insecure areas of the state and are as follows:

- Priority to the highest food insecure areas,
 determined by the census area project is located in.
 The number of Direct Beneficiaries.
 The number of Indirect Beneficiaries.
- The project description provides an explanation of how it will increase food security for direct and indirect beneficiaries.
- Provides a method to measure food produced, stored, or distributed.
- Has not previously received a subaward (grant) under this program.

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

For more information and to view our FAQs please go to our website:

http://dnr.alaska.gov/ag/ag_grants.htm

You can also email the grants team at: <u>dnr.ag.grants@alaska.gov</u>