

Facts for USDA Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP):

- CFAP will provide vital financial assistance to producers of agricultural commodities who have suffered a five percent-or-greater price decline or who had losses due to market supply chain disruptions due to COVID-19 and face additional significant market costs from mid-January 2020 through mid-April 2020.
- Program information website: <https://www.farmers.gov/cfap>
- Applications accepted May 26, 2020 through August 28, 2020
- Available Funding: \$16 Billion
- Awardees will receive **2** payments.
 - The first will be a payment of 80% of the maximum total payment upon approval of application.
 - The second payment will be the remaining 20%. This will be paid at a later date, most likely after the Commodity Credit Corporation has been replenished. This will be toward the end of the year.
- Eligibility: Must have an average adjusted gross income of less than \$900,000 for tax years 2016, 2017, and 2018. However, if 75 percent of adjusted gross income comes from farming, ranching, or forestry, the AGI limit of \$900,000 does not apply.
- Payment Limits:
 - 1 shareholder the payment limit for the entity is \$250,000;
 - 2 shareholders, the payment limit for the entity is \$500,000 if at least two members contribute substantial labor or management with respect to the operation of the corporate entity; and
 - 3 shareholders, the limit is \$750,000 if at least three members contribute substantial labor or management with respect to the operation of the corporate entity.
- Eligible Commodities:
 - **Wool**-Producers will be paid based on inventory subject to price risk held as of January 15, 2020. A single payment will be made based on 50 percent of a producer's 2019 total production or the 2019 inventory as of January 15, 2020, whichever is smaller, multiplied by the commodity's applicable payment rate.
 - **Livestock** (<https://www.farmers.gov/cfap/livestock>)-Livestock eligible for CFAP include cattle, hogs, and sheep (lambs and yearlings only).
 - **Dairy**-A single payment will be made based on a producer's certification of milk production for the first quarter of calendar year 2020 multiplied by \$4.71 per hundred weight. The second part of the payment is based a national adjustment to each producer's production in the first quarter multiplied by \$1.47 per hundred weight.
 - **Non-Specialty Crops** (<https://www.farmers.gov/cfap/non-specialty>)-Non-specialty crops eligible for CFAP payments include malting barley, canola, corn, upland cotton, millet, oats, soybeans, sorghum, sunflowers, durum wheat, and hard red spring wheat.
 - **Specialty Crops** (<https://www.farmers.gov/cfap/specialty>)-Eligible Commodities:
 - Fruits: apples, avocados, blueberries, cantaloupe, grapefruit, kiwifruit, lemons, oranges, papaya, peaches, pears, raspberries, strawberries, tangerines, tomatoes, watermelons

- Vegetables: artichokes, asparagus, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, sweet corn, cucumbers, eggplant, garlic, iceberg lettuce, romaine lettuce, dry onions, green onions, peppers, potatoes, rhubarb, spinach, squash, sweet potatoes, taro
 - Nuts: almonds, pecans, walnuts
 - Other: beans, mushrooms

- Specific NON-ELIGIBLE entities: sheep more than two years old, eggs/layers, soft red winter wheat, hard red winter wheat, white wheat, rice, flax, rye, peanuts, feed barley, Extra Long Staple (ELS) cotton, alfalfa, forage crops, hemp, and tobacco.

- Application Documents (If you are an existing FSA customer, it is likely USDA has most of these documents, excluding application form. Call your local FSA to make sure.):
 - Application Form-
https://www.farmers.gov/sites/default/files/documents/AD3114_200519V01%20%20FINAL.pdf
 - CCC-901-Identifies members of a farm or ranch that is a legal entity. Member Information will be completed by legal entities and joint operations to collect the following:
 - member names, addresses, and Tax Identification Numbers
 - citizenship status
 - CCC-941-Reports your average adjusted gross income for programs where income restrictions apply.
 - CCC-942-If applicable, this certification reports income from farming, ranching, and forestry, for those exceeding the adjusted gross income limitation.
 - AD-1026-Ensures compliance with highly erodible land conservation and wetland conservation.
 - AD-2047-Provides basic customer contact information.
 - SF-3881-Collects your banking information to allow USDA to make payments to you via direct deposit.

- Submitting Applications: When the submission portal opens you will be able to submit your documents online. If you prefer to mail or discuss with your local FSA here is their contact information:

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