

# WOODFORD COUNTY, KENTUCKY **YOUNG & NEW FARMER GRANT PROGRAM**

On August 13, 2024 at the recommendation of Judge/Executive James Kay, the Woodford County Fiscal Court approved Resolution No. 2024-12 creating the Young & New Farmer Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. The Young & New Farmer Grant Program aims to offer financial assistance to young and new farmers establishing or expanding their agricultural operations within Woodford County.

Application must be submitted by December 31, 2	024.
Resolution 2024-12 provides guidelines and criteria for th	e program.

Section A: Farmer Information					
Farmer's Name (please print):					
Date of Birth:					
Mailing Address:					
City, State, Zip:					
Physical Address Where Farmer Resides					
(if different from above):					
City, State, Zip:					
Phone:					
Email:					
FSN # (Farm Serial No.)					
Tax ID # or Social Security #					

#### Section B: Farm Information

Is the farm located in Woodford County? □ Yes 🛛 No \* If no, complete Section C How are you affiliated with the farm for which you are applying for these grant funds? Own □ Lease □ Contract

### Section C: Farm Outside Woodford County

Applicants who reside in Woodford County and own, operate or lease agricultural land in surrounding counties need to provide county name and FSN, along with detailed information to support and validate their nexus to Woodford County farming and to our local economy.

#### Section D: Applicant Certification and Signature

I hereby certify that this is for a farmer who meets the requirements as defined in Section 2 of Resolution 2024-12.
 I hereby certify that I am the farmer, an owner or a person in control for the business entity named herein and am authorized

to make this application. No other application has been made for the farmer or business entity named herein.

3. I hereby certify that the entity named herein is registered with the USDA Farm Service Agency and in compliance with all applicable USDA/ FSA regulations.

4. I further certify that this farm or business entity is not owned or controlled by a publicly traded company.

5. I understand that any eligible farm, farmer, or agricultural producer may receive a maximum of two-thousand dollars

(\$2,000) regardless of the number of farm and/or agricultural producers he/she owns and/or controls.

6. I hereby agree to provide a valid Social Security Number or Tax Identification Number (whichever is used to file taxes). This information will be confidential and only used for program administration purposes.

7. I hereby certify that I have fully read and understand the Young & New Farmer guidelines and eligibilty criteria and will abide by them. I understand that if I violate any of the program guidelines and eligibility criteria, I may be required to repay the award in its entirety.

I understand, by affixing my signature, that I am making representations regarding farming and/or my business. I further understand that making false representations could constitute a criminal act and that I may be prosecuted for providing false certification.

SIGNATURE

DATE

PRINT NAME

#### Please attach a completed W-9.

Any award will be a grant. However, the grant may be considered taxable income (consult your tax professional for additional guidance). Awardees will receive a 1099 statement regarding any award received.

The completed application can be submitted by email to info@woodfordcountyky.gov, dropped off or mailed to 103 S. Main St., Suite 200, Versailles, KY 40383. If the application is being dropped off after hours, please use the black drop-box outside the Sheriff's Office on the north side of Court Street.

### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY WOODFORD COUNTY FISCAL COURT

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-12

# A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A YOUNG & NEW FARMER GRANT PROGRAM TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE WOODFORD COUNTY FISCAL COURT IN FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

WHEREAS, the Woodford County Fiscal Court recognizes the importance of our farmers and agriculture producers; and

WHEREAS, the financial health and stability of our local farmers is critical to our food supply chain, quality of life, and economy; and

WHEREAS, the economic impact has caused great challenges, hardship and difficulties for our farmers and agriculture producers; and

WHEREAS, it is in the emergent public interest that our Woodford County farmers and agricultural small business community remain viable; and

WHEREAS, Woodford County aims to cultivate a sustainable agricultural economy by supporting and fostering a new generation of farmers and offer financial assistance to young and new farmers establishing or expanding their agricultural operations within Woodford County; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED by the Woodford County Fiscal Court, Kentucky that the following shall apply:

# SECTION 1

There is hereby approved the Young & New Farmer Grant Program to provide financial assistance to support sustainable and environmentally friendly agricultural practices, promote local food production and sales in Woodford County, support a viable long-term business plan, aid farm income in supporting dependents, provide additional jobs and/or local economic activity, overcome barriers to entry and challenges for new and young farmers, and relieve economic hardship and need.

# SECTION 2

Applicants must be between 18 and 50 years of age (expanded young farmer definition) or new farmers in their first five years of operation. Applicants must reside in Woodford County and own, farm, operate or lease agricultural land within the County. Applicants who reside in Woodford County and own, farm, operate or lease agricultural land in surrounding counties may be considered, but the farmer must provide detailed information to support and validate their nexus to Woodford

County farming and to our local economy.

Grant funds can be used for various purposes, including:

- o Purchasing equipment, seeds, or livestock.
- Financing land improvements or infrastructure development.
- Enrolling in educational programs or attending relevant workshops.

Ineligible uses include:

• Funds cannot be used for refinancing existing debt, household living expenses, or personal expenditures, such as vehicles.

# **SECTION 3**

An application will be created, approved, and amended, if necessary, by the Fiscal Court. Those applications submitted will be considered by a selection committee appointed by the Judge/Executive comprised of agricultural professionals and community representatives and make recommendations to the Woodford County Fiscal Court. Applications will be judged on clarity, feasibility, and potential impact of the proposed project. Approved applicants will be awarded a specific sum up to \$2,000 per farmer, and no more than \$50,000.00 will be awarded in total.

# SECTION 4

Applications will be due by December 31, 2024. Upon completion of an application, it will be reviewed by the Judge/Executive or his designee, and any additional information (if needed) will be requested. The final application and supporting documentation will then be sent to the selection committee for consideration at the next Fiscal Court meeting. The Woodford County Fiscal Court may approve, deny, request additional information, provide conditional approval, or table the consideration to a subsequent meeting. The program's effectiveness will be evaluated regularly to assess its impact on young and new farmers in Woodford County.

Introduced and fully adopted at the regular meeting of the Woodford County Fiscal Court on August 13, 2024.

Y.JUDGE/EXECUTIVE

WOODFORD COUNTY FISCAL COURT

ATTEST: CLERK, WOODFORD COUNTY FISCAL COURT

# Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Befor	e y	ou begin. For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see Purpose of Form, below.		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	1	Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the o entity's name on line 2.)	wner's name on line	1, and enter the business/disregarded
Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	2	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.		
	3a	Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered only one of the following seven boxes.	I on line 1. Check	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):
	<ul> <li>LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership)</li> <li>Note: Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.</li> <li>Other (see instructions)</li> </ul>		Exempt payee code (if any) Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any)	
	3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions		(Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)	
	5	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See Instructions.	Requester's name a	and address (optional)
	6	City, state, and ZiP code		
	7	List account number(s) here (optional)		,
Par	t I	Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)		
backu reside	p w nt a s, it	r TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to av ithholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, fr alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see <i>How to ge</i>	ta <b>or</b>	identification number

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also What Name and Number To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.

#### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- 4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign	Signature of	
Here	U.S. person	Date

# **General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

#### What's New

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification. New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

#### **Purpose of Form**

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they