

Garrett County Economic Development

Garrett County Agriculture Marketing Grant Program

Purpose

To aid in the promotion of agriculture-based businesses in Garrett County.

Eligible to Apply

Any farm, farm business, farm-related business, or farm related organization or association based in Garrett County.

Maximum Award

Up to 4 grants of up to \$250 each may be awarded annually to fund up to 90% of the costs of each project. The applicant must contribute at least 10% of the total project costs. For example, if you are purchasing a banner that costs \$80.00 (total project cost), you must contribute 10%, or \$8.00. In this case, you could apply for up to \$72.00 in grant funds. You can, of course, contribute more than 10% of the total project costs. Applicants are eligible for multiple awards.

Eligible Costs

Any reasonable cost can be paid with this grant award.

Process

Applications are available online at www.GCEDOnline.com, at the Economic Development Office, and at the University of Maryland Extension - Garrett County Office and are accepted any time. Eligible entities will complete the application and submit it to: Cheryl DeBerry, Natural Resources Business Specialist, Garrett County Economic Development, cdeberry@garrettcounty.org or mail to 1916 Maryland Highway, Suite A, Mountain Lake Park, MD 21550

Within two weeks of receipt, all applications will be reviewed and either (1) additional information will be requested, or (2) a decision will be made. Awardees will be chosen at the discretion of the staff of the Garrett County Economic Development Department.

Receiving Funds and Reporting

You must present invoices that show the full amount of the items you are purchasing with the grant money. When those invoices are verified, you will receive a check for the grant amount awarded. Six months after all invoices are paid and items purchased, a final report will be due. (Format to be determined for each project; minimally: photos of the purchases, a final expense budget and how the project benefitted you).

Questions?

Contact Cheryl DeBerry, Natural Resources Business Specialist with Garrett County Economic Development: cdeberry@garrettcounty.org or 301-334-6968.

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Contact Information

Date _____

Farm/Organization/Entity Applying _____

Your Name _____

Your Title _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Your Project

(Remember, this project must aid in the promotion of agriculture-based businesses in Garrett County.)

Budget - how would you like to spend the money? (Please be specific – what will you purchase?)

Item(s)	Total
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS \$ _____

Grant Funds Requested *(no more than \$250)* \$ _____ %

My Contribution *(at least 10% of total project costs)* \$ _____ %

How will this project help your farm business and/or other farm businesses in Garrett County?

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