LOOKING FOR FUNDS TO DEVELOP YOUR INNOVATIVE AGRICULTURAL BUSINESS?

This workshop is designed to help you identify grants and other financial options to fund your business ideas. We will discuss ways to plan your project and strengthen your grant application.

Specific programs to be covered include:

USDA Value Added Producer Grant

- provides planning and working capital funds to farmers and farmer-based enterprises to develop and implement value-added ventures.

USDA Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education

- funds research, demonstration projects, and marketing.

USDA Specialty Crop Block Grant

- funds endeavors to enhance the competitiveness of specialty crops.

Buy Local, Buy Wisconsin

- funds projects to increase demand for

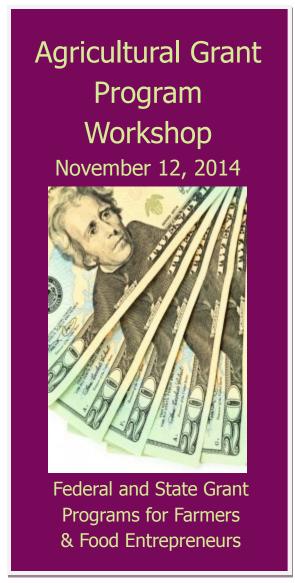
DIRECTIONS:



ANGIE'S MAIN CAFÉ

132 South Main Street Shawano, Wisconsin

Additional public parking is available behind the restaurant, near Shawano City Hall. This lot can be accessed from South Sawyer Street.





Successfully Applying to Agricultural Grant Programs - November 12th - Shawano

Name: Farm: Address: City: State: Zip: Phone: _____ I would like to request a vegetarian lunch.

Please make checks payable to: **UW-Extension Shawano County**

\$15 for each person:

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Questions?? Contact: **Jamie Patton**

Successfully Applying to Agricultural Grant Programs Wednesday, November 12th—Angie's Main Cafe, Shawano

- 9:00 AM Registration
- **9:30 AM Welcome** Andrew Bernhardt, UW-Extension/SARE (Participants are invited to give a brief introduction to their projects)
- 10:00 AM Project design, identifying funding sources and grant-writing basics

 Margaret Krome, Michael Fields Agricultural Institute
- **12:00 PM Lunch Program Perspective from a grant recipient**"How I applied for and used a grant in my agriculture business"
- 1:00 PM Grant Programs Highlight Panel
 - WI DATCP Buy Local, Buy Wisconsin Teresa Engel
 - USDA Specialty Crop Block Grant Juli Spek
 - USDA Value Added Producer Grant Mike Daniels
 - USDA SARE Farmer and Rancher Grant Andrew Bernhardt
- 1:45 PM Hands-on Grant Proposal Evaluation & Development
 - Review and evaluate an actual proposal in groups
- 2:45 PM Additional Financial Options Panel
 - Farm Service Agency Farm loans & micro-loan program
 - Natural Resources Conservation Service Cost share programs
 - Farm Credit System Bank (GreenStone Farm Credit) Loan programs
 - WI DATCP Got Moo-la Business Resource Guide Carl Rainey
- 3:30 PM Network and meet with grant representatives
- 4:00 PM Adjourn

PARTNERS: Michael Fields Agricultural Institute — USDA, Rural Development — USDA, SARE — UW-Cooperative Extension — WI Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

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