

## Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Education Related Grants

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Living to Serve – Semester-long projects	National FFA	Fall = August 1  Spring = January 1	Fall = September 1  Spring = February 1	Fall = September 15  Spring = February 15	Up to \$1,200	Semester-long service projects that address community needs in these focus areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Safety</li> <li>• Hunger, Health &amp; nutrition</li> <li>• Environmental Responsibility</li> <li>• Community Engagement</li> </ul>	<a href="https://www.ffa.org/livingtoserve/grants/">https://www.ffa.org/livingtoserve/grants/</a>
Living to Serve – Year-long projects	National FFA	April 15	June 15	August 1	Up to \$3,000	Same as semester-long.	<a href="https://www.ffa.org/livingtoserve/grants/">https://www.ffa.org/livingtoserve/grants/</a>
Days of Service Mini-Grants	National FFA	Always open	First of each month	15 <sup>th</sup> of each month	Up to \$400	Provides alumni or middle/high school chapters with up to \$400 to conduct a one-time service event.	<a href="https://www.ffa.org/livingtoserve/grants/">https://www.ffa.org/livingtoserve/grants/</a>
SAE Grants	National FFA	Mid-September	November 15	Mid-December	Up to \$1,000	Provides financial assistance to FFA members to help start or expand their SAE.	<a href="https://www.ffa.org/participate/grants-and-scholarships/sae-grants/">https://www.ffa.org/participate/grants-and-scholarships/sae-grants/</a>
Grants for Growing	National FFA/TSC	Early March	May 1	August 1	Up to \$5,000	For middle and high school FFA chapters that are developing and improving project-based or experiential learning opportunities for students.	<a href="https://www.ffa.org/grants-for-growing/">https://www.ffa.org/grants-for-growing/</a>
Chapter Service Project Grants	SD FFA Foundation	August	September 15	End of September	Up to \$500	Is a matching fund grant for local chapter service projects. Cannot be received by same chapter for same project 2 years in a row. Priority to projects that make a long-term impact	Contact: Gerri Eide <a href="mailto:gerri@sdffaoundation.org">gerri@sdffaoundation.org</a>
New FFA Chapters	SD FFA Foundation	As needed	Continuous	2 weeks after submission	\$500	New FFA chapters can submit invoice, up to \$500 for new FFA items – banners, paraphernalia, manuals, handbooks, etc. Foundation will reimburse chapter for these expenses.	Contact: Gerri Eide <a href="mailto:gerri@sdffaoundation.org">gerri@sdffaoundation.org</a>
New FFA Chapters at State events	SD FFA Foundation	As needed	Continuous	2 weeks after State Leadership or State Convention	\$250	Submit invoice. New chapters attending the SD FFA Leadership Development Events or State FFA convention can receive a one time \$250 to assist with registration costs for teams/individuals to attend.	Contact: Gerri Eide <a href="mailto:gerri@sdffaoundation.org">gerri@sdffaoundation.org</a>

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Ag Innovators	SD Ag Foundation	September/October	November 15	December	\$500-\$10,000	Meant to encourage the development of creative solutions within agriculture-related innovation and leadership programs for youth. These solutions should address an educational need or opportunity in a more innovative, effective, equitable, or sustainable way than existing approaches.	<a href="https://www.sdagfoundation.org/grantprograms">https://www.sdagfoundation.org/grantprograms</a>
SD Building Our Rural Communities	SD Ag Foundation	September/October	November 15	December	Up to \$750 per project	Used for community improvement projects	<a href="https://www.sdagfoundation.org/grantprograms">https://www.sdagfoundation.org/grantprograms</a>
SD Building Our Rural Communities – Safety Grant	SD Ag Foundation	September/October	November 15	December	Up to \$200 per project	Used for projects that enhance public safety	<a href="https://www.sdagfoundation.org/grantprograms">https://www.sdagfoundation.org/grantprograms</a>
Perkins Reserve	SD Division of Career and Technical Education	November	Early January	February	Up to \$30,000	Perkins Reserve Grants will provide funds to support the purchase of industry-grade classroom equipment or curricula and high-quality professional development opportunities.	<a href="https://doe.sd.gov/cte/perkins.aspx">https://doe.sd.gov/cte/perkins.aspx</a>  2019 example: <a href="https://doe.sd.gov/cte/documents/PerkinsReserve2.pdf">https://doe.sd.gov/cte/documents/PerkinsReserve2.pdf</a>
Workforce Education Grants	SD Division of Career and Technical Education	Mid-February	Late March	Late April	Varies; can be up to \$300,000	Provides the opportunity to make transformative change in CTE programs. Awardees are expected to make significant and meaningful improvements to CTE programs; applications should not be one-off projects for small equipment purchases, teacher training, student transportation, or similar activities.	<a href="https://doe.sd.gov/CTE/WEG.aspx">https://doe.sd.gov/CTE/WEG.aspx</a>
Working Here Fund	Farm Credit Services of America	Ongoing	March 31	April	Up to \$2,000	Projects that address short-term goals, and could include projects such as, but not limited to, community gardens, 4-H and FFA chapter projects, foodbank needs, backpack summer programs, grain bin rescue equipment, CASE curricula, and drone technology for the classroom.	<a href="https://www.fcsamerica.com/contact/grant-program/grant-program-information">https://www.fcsamerica.com/contact/grant-program/grant-program-information</a>

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Working Here Fund	Farm Credit Services of America	Ongoing	June 30	July	Up to \$10,000	Larger, more long-term community projects focused in smaller rural communities (population 5,000 or less). This includes projects such as, but not limited to, start-up FFA chapters, campaigns for a new fire hall or community building, geodesic domes, larger community greenhouses or high tunnels, or other capital campaign fundraising for community projects.	<a href="https://www.fcsamerica.com/contact/grant-program/grant-program-information">https://www.fcsamerica.com/contact/grant-program/grant-program-information</a>
Ag in the Classroom	CHS/National Ag in the Classroom	July 15	September 15	---	\$500	Pre-K-12 teachers who have classroom projects that use agricultural concepts to teach reading, writing, math, science, social studies and more. Eligible projects include classroom and schoolyard gardens, embryology projects, aquaculture projects and agricultural literacy reading programs to name a few.	<a href="https://agclassroom.org/teacher/grants.cfm">https://agclassroom.org/teacher/grants.cfm</a>
K-12 Classroom Challenge Grants	USDA – National Institute of Food and Agriculture	Mid-February	Mid-April	---	Up to \$300,000	Are you a K-14 educator who is interested in using food, agriculture, natural, or human sciences to enhance your teaching? Do you have a talent for engaging students in agriculture?	<a href="https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/secondary-education-two-year-postsecondary-education-and-agriculture-k-12?utm_content=&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_name=&amp;utm_source=govdelivery&amp;utm_term=">https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/secondary-education-two-year-postsecondary-education-and-agriculture-k-12?utm_content=&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_name=&amp;utm_source=govdelivery&amp;utm_term=</a>
Tools for School	Harbor Freight	Ongoing	Ongoing	Up to 8 weeks after request	---	Request a gift card to purchase tools.	<a href="https://harborfreightgivingback.com/tools-for-schools/">https://harborfreightgivingback.com/tools-for-schools/</a>
Prize for Teaching Excellence	Harbor Freight	Mid-April	Mid-June	Semifinalists=mid-July Winners=mid-October	(3) 1 <sup>st</sup> place awards of \$100,000; (15) 2 <sup>nd</sup> place awards of \$50,000	Recognizes outstanding skilled trades teachers and programs in public high schools.	<a href="https://hftforschoolsprize.org/">https://hftforschoolsprize.org/</a>

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Trout in the Classroom Project	SD Game, Fish and Parks	---	---	---	Free equipment.	SD plans to add four or five new classrooms per year. Equipment includes: 20 gal tank, filter, pump and chiller. Additionally, 100 eggs of Rainbow Trout will be available to each classroom in early January.	<a href="https://gfp.sd.gov/aquatic-ed/">https://gfp.sd.gov/aquatic-ed/</a>
Grow Rural Education	Bayer	January 1	April 15	August 15	\$10,000 or \$25,000	*Must be nominated by a farmer in your community by April 1 Must focus on increasing interest or improving instruction or learning in science, technology, engineering and/or math.	<a href="https://www.americasfarmers.com/grow-rural-education/">https://www.americasfarmers.com/grow-rural-education/</a>
Community Impact Grants	Home Depot	Ongoing	December 31	4-6 weeks after application submission	Up to \$5,000	Projects should use the power of volunteers to improve the community. Focus is on serving veterans or support for diverse and underserved communities.	<a href="https://corporate.homedepot.com/grants/community-impact-grants">https://corporate.homedepot.com/grants/community-impact-grants</a>
SARE Youth Educator Grant Program	North Central SARE	August	Mid-November	February	Up to \$4,000	Youth Educator Grant projects provide opportunities for youth in the North Central Region to learn about Sustainable Agriculture (farming and ranching that is ecologically sound, profitable, and socially responsible). Educators use the grants to encourage young people and their parents to try sustainable practices and see sustainable agriculture as a viable career option.	<a href="https://www.northcentralcsare.org/Grants/Our-Grant-Programs/Youth-Educator-Grant-Program">https://www.northcentralcsare.org/Grants/Our-Grant-Programs/Youth-Educator-Grant-Program</a>
CASE	CASE	September	October 31		Up to \$5,000	Teachers can apply for grants to implement the CASE program in their schools including teacher professional development at a CASE Institute and purchasing classroom equipment and resources.	<a href="https://www.case4learning.org/professional-development/scholarships-grants">https://www.case4learning.org/professional-development/scholarships-grants</a>
Milwaukee Tools School Donation Program	Milwaukee Tools	Ongoing	---	---	---	Contact them to request tools through their School Donation Program. There is a contact form on their webpage and a "Donations/Charity" category you can select.	<a href="https://www.milwaukeetool.com/Contact">https://www.milwaukeetool.com/Contact</a>
SD Fund Grants	SD Community Foundation	Ongoing	Ongoing	90 days after application is submitted	\$2,000-\$20,000	Focus on five areas of need: culture, economic development, education, health and human services	<a href="https://sdcommunityfoundation.org/for-nonprofits/sd-fund-grants/">https://sdcommunityfoundation.org/for-nonprofits/sd-fund-grants/</a>

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Community Innovation and Bush Foundation Grants	SD Community Foundation	January, May and September	February, June and September	April 30, August 31, December 31	Community Innovation ranges from \$500-\$10,000  Bush Foundation grants range from \$10,000-\$200,000	This grant focuses on finding these new solutions that are inclusive, collaborative, and resourceful. Community innovation should address a community need or opportunity in a more effective, equitable, or sustainable way than existing approaches.  No specific issues are prioritized and projects can be at various stages of the problem-solving process.	<a href="https://sdcommunityfoundation.org/for-nonprofits/community-innovation-grants/">https://sdcommunityfoundation.org/for-nonprofits/community-innovation-grants/</a>
Cargill Corporate Giving	Cargill	Website is currently being updated.	---	---	---	Focus Areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food Security and Nutrition: address hunger, improve nutrition and increase agricultural productivity.</li> <li>• Education: improve access to primary and secondary education for children, build skills in STEM.</li> <li>• Environmental stewardship: demonstrate global leadership in protecting our national resources and promote sustainable agricultural practices in our communities and supply chain.</li> </ul>	<a href="https://www.cargill.com/about/community/giving-guidelines">https://www.cargill.com/about/community/giving-guidelines</a>
Farm to School	USDA – National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition	Request for Applications typically goes out in winter or spring.	60-90 days from release	---	---	Grants should increase local food procurement for school meal programs and expand educational agriculture and gardening activities. Some previous examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing strategies that support local sourcing at schools</li> <li>• Increasing the purchase and consumption of locally grown, fresh food, such as fruits, vegetables, and dairy products</li> <li>• Investing in school kitchen infrastructure</li> <li>• Training farmers and food service workers in food safety</li> <li>• Creating school gardens and installing and managing high tunnels</li> <li>• Implementing nutrition education and garden-based curriculum</li> </ul>	<a href="https://sustainableagriculture.net/publications/grassrootsguide/local-food-systems-rural-development/farm-to-school-grants/">https://sustainableagriculture.net/publications/grassrootsguide/local-food-systems-rural-development/farm-to-school-grants/</a>