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## GRANTS

All information is housed on grant websites. **Review ALL information on the program site.**

On the grant website, look for the Request for Applications (RFA). If the grant is currently open you can access and read the current RFA. If you are exploring the website outside of an open application period, look at prior year RFAs to learn more about the grant program.

**Read the entire RFA!** It includes information on everything required to apply for a grant.

Also on the website, look for links to **informational webinars**. If the application period is open, there is often a link to a webinar for prospective applicants near the bottom of the page.

**Technical Assistance** for applying to and administering meat and poultry grants can be found at the link above.

The exact release date of grant RFAs often varies year to year. Sign up for agency press releases and regularly check grant websites for updates.

To determine long term availability of a grant, look for how long the grant program has been funded, and whether the program is focused on responding to a specific circumstance (such as a pandemic). If a grant program has been present for multiple years, it is likely (though never guaranteed) to be funded in the future. If a grant program is responding to a specific limited need, it is not likely to be available over the long term. Funding for grant programs is determined by Congress.

## LOANS

The loans listed in this resource are administered by a variety of types of lenders. Utilize the loan program website to determine the financial institutions that service the loans listed.

The maximum loan amounts listed is NOT the maximum project amount. Your total project costs, in most cases, can exceed the maximum loan amount.