

Teton Farmer Fund Grant Description

Purpose

The goal of the Teton Farmer Fund is to increase the amount of good, clean, and fair food in our community by helping those who produce it.

Description

Slow Food in the Tetons offers an annual fund to support local agriculture. Grant requests can be up to \$10,000. Multiple smaller grants may be considered. Grant funds are raised by private donations to Slow Food in the Tetons and matched by The Teton Conservation District. Funding decisions are made by a grant committee that includes Slow Food in the Tetons, Teton Conservation District, and a member of the public.

Eligibility and Requirements

- Eligible Recipients:
 - Local and regional food producers. Local is defined as grown within 150 miles or less from Jackson, WY. Regional is defined as grown within 250 miles or less from Jackson, WY.
 - Producers must generally adhere to [good, clean, and fair food principles](#).
 - Preference is given to producers that participate in Slow Food programming.
- Requirements:
 - If the farm or ranch is new (less than 24 months since being established), applicants must include a business plan as an attachment to the application submission email.
 - A minimum of 25% matching funds is required, multiple sources of matching funding is encouraged. In kind donations can make up a portion of the total matching funds.

Guidelines

- Projects that will be considered include, but are not limited to:
 - support for emergency relief
 - capital expenditures
 - the creation of new farms and ranches
 - finding or maintaining workers
 - business incubation projects
 - other food production projects that strengthen the local food system.
- Should your application and request for grant funds be approved, your application will be used as the basis for a grant contract, and funds may only be used for the purpose described in the grant application unless otherwise approved. The grant contract will be submitted to awardees in the form of an award letter. It is the applicant's responsibility to abide by the proposal and contract terms and to track all fund expenditures.
- Selected grant recipients must complete and submit a W9 prior to receiving the funds. A 1099 form will be submitted to the recipient as the grant proceeds are taxable to them.
- Grant funds are disbursed after the recipient acknowledges and signs the award letter. Funds must be used by the grant reporting date, December 31st of the award year.
- Restrictions: The grant monies may not be used to fund work retroactively.

- A brief update (45-75 words, with accompanying photo if applicable) that Slow Food in the Tetons and the Teton Conservation District can share via their social media outlets, newsletter, blog, and website is to be submitted quarterly. These can be emailed to Sara McIntosh, sara@tetonslowfood.org. Photographs should be labeled as such: "Projectname_Photo#.format." In the body of your email, include a brief description to accompany each of the numbered photos you are submitting.

Reporting Requirements

Grant reports are due on December 31st of the grant award year. The Teton Farmer Fund Grant Report Form will be sent to grant recipients upon award of the grant.

- Reports are submitted via email to Sara McIntosh, sara@tetonslowfood.org.
- Invoices and proof of payment for budget items funded by the grant must be made available to Slow Food in the Tetons upon request up to one year after the grant report has been submitted.
- When submitting your final report, please include photographs as electronic files attached to your email. Photographs should be labeled as such: "Projectname_Photo#.format." In the body of your email, include a brief description to accompany each of the numbered photos you are submitting.
- Grant reports are distributed to our Grants Committee for review.
- For more information, contact Sara McIntosh, sara@tetonslowfood.org.

Grant Cycle and Application Timeline

Grant applications for the 2023 Teton Farmer Fund open on November 14th, 2022. Applications are due no later than January 13th, 2023.

Grant recipients will be notified of their award on February 10th, 2023.

Grant recipients must sign and submit the award letter (grant contract) by February 22nd, 2023.

Grant check to follow shortly thereafter.