

# WHAT IS CFAP

## CORONAVIRUS FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

# & HOW DO I APPLY?

Applications open Tuesday, May 26!

### What is CFAP?

The Coronavirus Food Assistance Program provides direct support based on actual losses for agricultural producers with impacted prices and market supply chains. These funds can be used to support adjustment, additional marketing costs, and short-term oversupply.

### Am I eligible for CFAP?

You are eligible for CFAP if:

- You are a producer with a 5% or greater decrease in commodity price between mid-January to mid-April due to COVID-19.
- You have substantial marketing costs due to market supply chain disruptions.
- You have an AGI of less than \$900,000 OR if your AGI is more than \$900,000, then more than 75% of your AGI needs to come from farming or ranching
- You comply with the Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Conservation regulations.
- You don't have a controlled substance violation.
- **Note:** Some commodities are not eligible for CFAP at the moment. If your commodity is not on [this list](#), please see page 4.
- **Note:** Even if you have applied/received assistance from EIDL and/or PPP, you ARE still eligible for CFAP!

### When will I receive the funding?

Producers will receive 80% of their maximum total payment upon application approval. The remaining 20% will be paid later if funds are still available.



### How much funding can I receive?

Persons and legal entities can receive up to \$250,000 for all eligible commodities.

Corporations, LLCs, and limited partnerships can receive an additional \$250,000 per additional shareholder, up to 3 shareholders, providing the shareholders each contribute at least 400 hours of active person management or personal active labor.

# HOW DO I APPLY?

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**Remember, applications open May 26!**



**Gather your information! Look over the application forms (all can be downloaded [here](#)).**

\*More program information can be found [here](#).

\*To calculate your maximum payment eligibility, click [here](#).

\*Frequently asked questions can be found [here](#).

\*An introductory webinar can be found [here](#).

\*An application guidance webinar by the Maui Economic Development Board can be found [here](#).



**Schedule a phone appointment with your local FSA USDA Service Center!**

\*Contact information can be found [here](#).



**FSA staff will work with you to file your application. Applications can be submitted electronically either by scanning, emailing, or faxing.**

\*Note: You must call your office prior to sending applications electronically.



**Wait for your application to be approved and funds to be directly deposited to you!**

\*Note: You will need to reference sales, inventory and other records to complete the application. However, CFAP is a self-certification program, which means that documentation will not need to be submitted with the application. However, spot checks will be made to grantees and grantees should be able to provide documentation if requested.

# WHAT FORMS WILL I NEED?



All application forms can be downloaded [here!](#)



## CCC-901

Expected time:

Varies

### Purpose:

•To identify legal entities of farms/ranches.

### Requires:

- Legal Entity Information
- Embedded Entities Information, including member names, addresses, tax ID numbers, and citizenship status

## CCC-941

Expected time:

Varies

### Purpose:

•To report average gross income.

### Requires:

- Tax ID number
- Certification of AGI
- Consent to Disclose Tax Information

## CCC-942

Expected time:

5 minutes

### Purpose:

•To report income from farming, ranching, and forestry operations.  
\*Only required if AGI is \$900,000+.

### Requires:

- Tax ID number
- Certification of Farm Income
- Certification by Public Accountant/Attorney

## AD-1026

Expected time:

Varies

### Purpose:

•To ensure compliance with highly erodible land conservation and wetland conservation.

### Requires:

- Tax ID number
- HELC/WC Compliance Questions

## AD-2047

Expected time:

10 minutes

### Purpose:

•To provide basic customer contact information.

### Requires:

- SSN/Tax ID number

## SF-3881

Expected time:

15 minutes

### Purpose:

•To collect banking information so the USDA can directly deposit funds into your bank account.

### Requires:

- Federal Agency Information
- Payee/Company Information
- Financial Institution Information

\***Note:** An acreage report at the time of application and a USDA farm number may not be immediately needed.

\***Note:** Each form comes with definitions and guidance on how to fill out each specific field.

\***Note:** You may also need to complete CCC-902 (Farm Operating Plan.) If so, FSA staff will provide assistance in completing this form.

# WHAT IF MY COMMODITY IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR CFAP?

To see a list of eligible commodities, click [here](#)!

## Why is my commodity not on the CFAP eligible commodities list?

Farms of all sizes and markets that suffered a price decline of at least 5% between mid-January to mid-April and have additional marketing costs because of COVID-19 are eligible to apply, including crops, livestock, dairy, and specialty crops.

At the moment, some commodities such as aquaculture, nursery products, and cut flowers are not eligible for this program yet but may be in the near future through a Notice of Funding Availability. 4% of the CFAP budget (\$637M) is for additional commodities identified through this process.

## How can I make my commodity eligible for CFAP?

The USDA is currently requesting public comments on additional commodities that should be included in CFAP. To view the Notice of Funding Availability, click [here](#).

To add your comment and request additional commodities, click [here](#).

The deadline to submit comments is 6/22/2020.

Note: Eggs/layers are not eligible for CFAP.



**Aquaculture**

**Cut Flowers**



**Nursery Products**

# HOW ARE PAYMENTS CALCULATED?

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To calculate the maximum payment you are eligible for, [click here!](#)

## Maximum Payments

The maximum payment is \$250,000 per person/entity for all commodities combined.

If you are a corporation, LLC, or limited partnership, you may qualify for greater payments if members actively provide at least 400 hours of active personal labor/management for the operation.

If so, then the corporate entity can receive \$250,000 per additional member up to \$750,000.

## Funding Sources

There are two funding sources in CFAP:

### 1) CARES Act:

Provides compensation for losses between mid-January to mid-April 2020, either from price declines or for spoiled specialty crops.

### 2) Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act:

Provides compensation for producers due to ongoing market disruptions.

The CFAP application and payment combines CARES Act and CCC funds, though payments will be tracked by type of funding. This means that if you receive funding from each of these programs under CFAP, the USDA will track these funds separately.

## Detailed Payment Calculation

Payment calculations differ between specialty crops, livestock, dairy, and non-specialty crops.

For detailed information and applicable payment rates for specific commodities (page 33-35), [click here.](#)

