

# Farmers deserve better.



**Small farmers are the backbone of America** and are an important part of creating sustainable local food economies. Although they do important work, many small farmers value taking care of their land, animals, and communities more than turning a profit. Do you wish you had more time and money for:

- Developing your farm, new products, and local markets;
- Improving the health of your land and animals;
- Mentoring other young farmers; and
- Helping community members, researchers, and educators see what farming is really like?

## Federal grants can help.

There are new grant opportunities where **small farmers can increase their profitability, customer base, and product offerings**. Working with someone you trust that understands your business and what kinds of opportunities you have can help you win more funding, develop new products and services, expand local community engagement, and increase profitability. In 2021 alone,

- [Ran-Lew Dairy](#) in Snow Camp, North Carolina won just under **\$400,000 for yogurt production** through the Dairy Business Innovation Initiative program.
- [Barreras Family Farm](#) in Blair, Nebraska won **\$249,518 for beef processing** through the Value-Added Producer Grant.
- In their second year of farming, [Riverview Farms](#) in Fillmore, New York won **\$49,955 to develop new pork products** through the Value-Added Producer Grant.

## We help farmers get funding.

Stewards Unlimited has helped these small farmers to change their businesses forever by:

- Identifying and evaluating new funding opportunities
- Designing competitive projects which further the farm's goals
- Winning funding through proposal development

In addition to managing the process from beginning to end, we help our farmers connect with other professional services and provide the right help at the right time. We pride ourselves on becoming the "one-stop-shop" resource for many of our clients and helping professionalize your farm without compromising your values.

**Whether exploring general farm development, wanting to research and win more funding, or needing a business plan or feasibility study completed, we would love to be your stewards.** To move forward:

1. **Check out** the Stewards Unlimited website at <https://www.stewardsunlimited.com/>
2. **Reach out** to [Stephen Ussery](#), Lead Farmer Consultant at [stephen@stewardsunlimited.com](mailto:stephen@stewardsunlimited.com)
3. **Have a conversation** about your farm and how a steward can help you achieve your goals
4. **Focus on your farm** with support from people who take responsibility for your growth