
Since 2012, Food Animal Concerns Trust (FACT) has awarded 157 grants to farmers totaling more than $261,360 to improve farm animal welfare, expand humane farming, and support capital and operational work done on dozens of farms. In 2017, 2018 and 2019, FACT’s Animal Welfare Certification Grants were generously underwritten by the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA), in addition to our 2019 Capacity Building Grants.

Many of the funded projects have focused on constructing fencing, improving water systems, or building/improving farm animal housing. Farmers have also completed a variety of unique projects involving constructing cattle scratching stations, planting trees to improve access to shade, and purchasing equipment for to ensure clean feed and .

**Grants awarded in 2012 - 2014 for:**
Projects designed to help farms transition to pasture-based systems, or improve the marketing of their humane products, or more generally enrich the conditions in which the farm animals are raised.

**Grants awarded in 2016 for:**
Projects that help farms transition to and/or improve access to pasture-based systems.

**Grants awarded in 2017 for:**
Animal Welfare Certification projects that are designed to help farms achieve Animal Welfare Approved, Certified Humane, or GAP (steps 4 - 5) certification through on-farm improvements, or Pasture Improvement projects that help farms transition to pasture-based systems or improve access to pasture for their animals.

**Grants awarded in 2018 for:**
Animal Welfare Certification projects that are designed to help farms achieve American Grassfed Association Certified Grassfed, Animal Welfare Approved, Certified Humane, Certified Naturally Grown, GAP (steps 4 - 5), or USDA Certified Organic certification through on-farm improvements, or Pasture Improvement projects that help farms transition to pasture-based systems or improve access to pasture for their animals.

**Grants awarded in 2019 for:**
Animal Welfare Certification projects that are designed to help farms achieve Animal Welfare Approved, Certified Humane, and GAP (steps 4 - 5) certification through on-farm improvements, Capacity Building projects for farmers who already hold one of these certifications, or Pasture Improvement projects that help farms transition to pasture-based systems or improve access to pasture for their animals.
Arizona

Black Mesa Ranch, located in Snowflake, purchased grass seed and the equipment to plant it in order to improve the grasses on their range. (2016)

Alabama

Briscoe Farms in Pulaski purchased fencing supplies for beef cattle in order to attain AWA certification. (2018)

Arkansas

Across the Creek Farm in West Fork built a 20 ft. x 40 ft., hoop house style, steel chicken coop. (2014)

California

Fifth Crow Farm in Pescadero purchased and installed special feeders called “treadle chicken feeders” designed to exclude wild birds from the hens’ feed and prevent parasites spreading from wild birds to the hens. (2012)

Gilardi’s Family Farm in Petaluma purchased eight electric fences, one solar electric fence charger, and a livestock guardian dog for laying hens on pasture. (2017)

Islote Farm in Esparto purchased a guardian dog to protect a flock of 2500 chickens.

Le-Fort’s Organic Crops in Creston added additional drinkers, shade, and protection from predators for their laying hens in order to become Certified Humane. (2013)

Pasture 42 in Guinda installed additional water points for cows, chickens, sheep, pigs, and turkeys on pasture. (2018)

Root Down Farm in Pescadero received a grant to purchase a flat bed trailer to convert into a mobile chicken coop in 2014. They installed a perimeter fence around 8 acres pasture used for rotation of turkeys, broilers and swine with a second grant in 2017.

Say Hay Farms in Woodland designed and purchased custom printed egg cartons that allow their small, locally marketed eggs to stand out against larger operations. (2014)

Shelly’s Farm in Brentwood purchased a manure spreader. (2019)

Skyelark Ranch, located in the Capay Valley near Sacramento, increased the number of paddocks available to their swine herd through a mix of permanent and portable fencing in 2013. The farm received a second grant in 2019 to install a permanent perimeter fence and cross fence the pasture into four smaller paddocks for broiler chickens, laying hens, sheep, goats and pigs.

Sol Seeker Farm in Prunedale purchased and installed a permanent perimeter fence as well as portable electric fencing to protect their laying hens. (2016)

Colorado

Indian Ridge Farm & Bakery in Norwood constructed a 320-square-foot brooder to replace their older 204-square-foot brooder. (2014)

Connecticut

Broad Brook Acres in Preston purchased several outdoor feeders with covers for swine in order to become Certified Humane. (2017) They received a second grant to purchase portable hog shelters. (2018)

Truelove Farms in Morris renovated the first floor of an 18th century dairy barn into pig farrowing and chick brooding stalls. (2014)
Illinois

**Catalpa Grove Farm**, located in Dwight erected a large open air pen, and purchased a nipple waterer from which the pigs drink and a hog feeder. (2013)

**Chicago Patchwork Farms** improved the housing conditions for their flock of laying hens by upgrading the windows, door, insulation, and waterers of the main chicken coop on the farm. (2014)

**Ferne Clyffe Farm** in Buncombe built a permanent handling system for general management of sheep. (2018)

**Midnight Sun Farm** in Grayslake built ten mobile chicken shelters for their flock of laying hens. (2013)

**Mike & Clare’s Farm** in Harvard built a new chicken coop for their laying hens. (2013)

**Radical Root Farm**, located one hour north of Chicago, purchased and adapted a hay wagon for use as a moveable chicken coop. (2014)

**Timberfeast** in Chatsworth built a portable "egg mobile" chicken coop and portable fencing system to safely house and rotationally graze laying hens. (2018)

**Blue Yonder Organic Farm**, located in North Salem, constructed woven wire perimeter fencing around the two acres for sheep on pasture in order to attain Animal Welfare Approved by AGW certification.

**Gordon Family Farm** in Roachdale installed fencing to give pigs access to pasture and achieve Animal Welfare Approved certification for swine. (2017)

Idaho

**Deary Creek Dorpers** in Deary constructed perimeter and mob grazing strip fencing for sheep. (2018)

**DKH Destiny Farm** in Caldwell improved feeders for goats in order to attain Animal Welfare Approved by AGW certification.

**Kopf Canyon Ranch** in Troy installed fencing and cross-fencing on 40 acres of a canyon for goats, laying hens and guardian animals. (2019)

Iowa

**Driftless Hills Farm** in Calmar installed frost free water access for sheep on pasture to attain Animal Welfare Approved by AGW certification.

**Prairie Whole Farm** in Ida Grove built a perimeter fence along a 2-acre area of pasture and woodland as well as fixed a hog waterer that already existed on the land. (2014)

**Turkey Foot Farm** located near Tama transitioned from raising hogs outdoors to a rotational pasture system, with multiple pastures and water sources. (2014)

Indiana

**C & D Family Farms** in Knox reran and deepened water lines, and installed additional hydrants for their swine on pasture. (2014)
Kansas

Chitwood Family Farm in Spring Hill constructed a high tunnel to be used for lambing and as a nursery for pastured broiler chickens and piglets. (2019)

Heiens Farm, located near Abilene, improved fencing and ran water lines to their paddocks. (2014)

Kentucky

Beaver Creek Farm in Lawrenceburg designed and implemented a humane handling system for beef cattle and repaired an existing structure to house cattle in order to become AWA certified. (2018)

Bugtussle Farm in Gamaliel installed electrified fencing and a water system to increase available pasture for sheep, cattle, and hens. (2018)

Good Life Ranch, located in central Kentucky, purchased materials to pump water directly from a creek to a water storage tower, and then gravity feed it through water lines to their livestock. (2013)

Pink Elephant Farm & Kitchen in Smithfield built a mobile housing for laying hens in order to attain AWA certification. (2018)

Rising Phoenix Farm in Morning View built three, three-sided run shelters for beef cattle and sheep on pasture. (2018)

Tate Cattle Company in Hardinsburg constructed a shade/adverse weather shelter for cattle in order to achieve GAP step 4 certification for cattle. (2017)

Whispering Glen Farm in Brandenburg erected fencing to rotationally graze cows, and built outdoor housing for pigs. The project helps achieve Animal Welfare Approved certification for beef cattle and swine. (2017)

Maine

Apple Creek Farm in Bowdoinham, in 2016, installed water line, hoses, float valves and watering tubs in their two largest pastures to allow greater flexibility in pasture rotations and ensure that animals have reliable access to water. In 2018 they purchased a livestock guardian dog to protect chickens and turkeys with a second grant.

Misty Brook Farm in Albion procured several rolls of ElectroNet fencing for pasture to protect animals from predators with a grant in 2012, and constructed deep litter winter housing for their pastured laying hens with a second grant in 2014.

Toddy Pond Farm in Monroe built a mobile chicken coop for laying hens. (2017)

Turning Page Farm in Monson installed fencing for goats and chickens on pasture. (2019)

Maryland

Bird’s Eye View Farm in Pocomoke City transitioned from an industrial contract broiler chicken farm to a pasture-raised laying hen operation. (2014)

Leaning Pine Farm, Inc. in Mount Savage built fencing to create winter pasture for beef cattle. (2018)
Morning Dew Farm in New Castle transitioned to a farrow to finish operation via the construction of a farrowing high tunnel. (2014)

The Lamb's Quarter in Owings set up a hoop house structure to house 300 laying hen pullets. (2014)

**Massachusetts**

Cricket Creek Farm in Williamstown installed fencing and a portable watering system in a new pasture on their property in 2013. In 2017, with a second grant, they purchased a wood chipper to increase the health of the soil and pastures used by beef cattle and dairy cows.

Walker Farm at Whortleberry Hill in New Braintree, purchased and installed an electric fence charger to keep on pasture cows safe from cars. (2017)

**Michigan**

Baseline Farm in Dexter purchased a nose pump drinking water system for a herd of beef cattle to graze remote areas of the farm while protecting stream banks and pond edges in 2017. In 2018, they received a second grant to build a handling facility for a herd of beef cattle in order to attain AWA certification.

Case Country Farm in Chatham purchased one large portable shelter and eight portable farrowing huts for pigs on pasture. (2019)

Chinook’s Acres in Laingsburg, MI seeded pasture with hay/alfalfa and implemented a livestock watering system for sheep in order to attain Animal Welfare Approved by AGW certification. (2019)

Fresh Coast Farm in Eau Claire purchased and trained two pure breed Livestock Guardian Dogs (LGDs) to help achieve Animal Welfare Approved certification for poultry in 2017. In 2018, they received another grant and installed electric net fences and a dedicated electric fence energizer for rotational grazing of chickens, pigs and turkeys.

Triangle Beef near Fennville installed frost-free hydrants on three pastures, making it easier to provide water for their herd of grass-fed beef cattle. (2012)

Whitney Farmstead in Ann Arbor installed perimeter fencing for beef cattle on pasture. (2019)

**Minnesota**

Auntie Annie's Fields in Dundas purchased materials for a multi-species perimeter fence in order to improve the quality of life of the farm’s chickens and hogs, and enable the farmers to raise grass-fed cattle. (2016)

Derrylade Farm in Belle Plaine improved lanes and installed pads under in-pasture watering tanks for dairy cows. (2018)

LCCW Farm in Lake City built hoop house winter housing and watering systems for their hogs. (2013)

Pettit Pastures in Milaca buried a water line and installed a frost free hydrant and a winter waterer for beef cattle on pasture. (2019)

Willow Way Farm in Kerrick installed water lines, exterior fencing, and interior fencing for chickens, cows, sheep and turkeys on pasture. (2018)

YKer Acres located in Wrenshall, built three 100 ft. by 300 ft. pig pens to add to their existing infrastructure in 2012. In 2014, Yker acres received a second grant to help construct a healthier, cleaner environment for farrowing.

**Mississippi**

Home Place Pastures in Como constructed low stress weaning pens for pigs to become Certified Humane. (2018)
Missouri

Stuart Farm in Gerald established a perimeter fence to allow their broiler chickens to have more access to pasture. A perimeter fence was also built for cattle to help maintain the grass height for the broilers and laying hens. (2016)

Wild Bunch Farm in Mount Vernon installed and upgraded fencing to expand pasture access for their swine. (2017)

Nebraska

4 Winds Farm in Valentine installed a water pipeline, frost free hydrants, and an automatic electric waterer for chickens, cows, pigs and sheep on pasture. (2018)

New Jersey

Bishop Katahdins in Newfield converted a 30-acre solar field into a managed, rotational intensively grazed pasture for 200 ewes. (2019)

New York

Adirondack Beef Company in Croghan replaced fencing to enable better rotational grazing for beef cattle, hogs and poultry. (2019)

Browder’s Birds Pastured Poultry in Mattituck in 2013 built electric fencing to enable both their laying hens and broilers to be on pasture and moved as needed. They received a second grant in 2014 to launch a pilot program to market pasture-raised chicken to local chefs.

Gaia’s Breath Farm in Jordanville installed a remote pump based watering system and temporary fencing equipment for pigs on pasture. (2019)

Harris Family Farm in Westport renovated declining pasture and provided nutritional food for dairy cows through a crop rotation of annual forage and perennial pasture mix. They also improved water access within their pasture. (2016)

Heather Ridge Farm in Preston Hollow purchased and installed a gas powered pump and two water storage tanks to expand water system for laying and swine on pasture. (2017)

High Point Farms, 15 miles northwest of Ithaca, expanded a housing area and built two exit doors for laying hens that meet Animal Welfare Approved standards for outdoor access. In addition, they installed an overhead garage door so that the area can be easily cleaned with their skid steer during winter months. (2012)

Kingbird Farm, 15 miles southeast of Ithaca, poured an outdoor cement pad on the farrowing side of their barn. This made it possible for sows to go outdoors soon after giving birth to piglets, despite wet winter pastures and variable weather. (2012)

North Country Creamery in Keeseville hired a marketing intern to conduct targeted outreach to large wholesale buyers and upgrade the farm’s website. (2019)

Shannon Brook Farm in Watkins Glen in 2014 received a grant to design and build a mobile hen house. They received a second grant in 2016 to build two mobile pig shelters. 2017 they received a third grant and designed and built three mobile farrowing huts for the farm’s breeding sows.

Sweet Grass Meats in Naples installed fencing for beef cattle on pasture. (2019)

Two Mothers Farm in Ithaca purchased and construct a handling system for sheep in order to become Certified Humane. (2019)

Wild Rose Farm in Owego purchased fencing and a charger for a rotational grazing system, as well as a semi-permanent finish feeder that provides the pigs’ primary diet of Certified Organic grain. (2016)
North Carolina

**Back Creek** in Mount Ulla purchased Akbash livestock guardian dogs to protect beef cattle, broiler chickens, and sheep on pasture. (2017) The farm received a second grant in 2019 to purchase tread in posts, poly wire and a solar charger to allow sheep to graze within a solar farm.

**Bull City Farm** in Rougemont purchased and installed automatic waterers for hogs on pasture in 2017. In 2019 the farm received a second grant to purchase poultry netting, a designated energizer, feeders, waters and a larger “house” to better accommodate younger turkey and layer chicks.

**CATHIS Farm** in Lillington installed fence to create 6 wooded paddocks for pigs in order to attain AWA Certification. (2018)

**East Fork Farm**, located 25 miles north of Asheville, bought sausage making equipment and acquired training to expand their business and add a new value-added product: fresh ground sausage. (2012)

**Franny’s Farm** in Leicester purchased brooders, a hatcher, and supplies to build mobile coops in order to achieve Animal welfare Approved certification for broiler chickens, laying hens, and turkeys. (2017)

**Prodigal Farm** in Rougemont expanded the sheltered loafing area for goats. (2019)

**Uwharrie Farm** in Asheboro installed three frost-proof water sources for cows, chickens, and pigs on pasture. (2018)

**Walnut Hollow Ranch** located outside of Hayesville hired a designer to design a large sign for the front of the farm store, create a full color brochure, and redesign farm stickers to communicate that the farm’s beef is humanely raised. (2014)

Ohio

**Five Sprouts Family Farm** in Alexandria installed fencing for rotational grazing of pigs, turkeys, and chickens in order to attain AWA certification. (2018)

**Grass Powered Poultry & Meats** in Hillsboro built a high tensile perimeter fence for beef, hogs, broilers, turkeys and laying hens on pasture. (2019)

**Hawk Hill Farm** in East Canton purchased and installed a portable coop for laying hens, along with predator proof fencing and a solar charger. (2017)

**Old Dutch Hops** in Hillsboro constructed mobile housing and fencing for laying hens in order to attain AWA certification. (2018)

**Pastured Providence Farmstead** in Chillicothe purchased four Livestock Guardian Dogs (2 adults and 2 puppies) to protect sheep and beef cattle on pasture. (2019)

**South Stitch Farm** in Athens seeded clover on 102 acres of pasture for beef cows, meat goats and dairy heifers. (2019)

Oregon

**Black Tansy Farm** in Springfield constructed movable outdoor farrowing huts for sows and shelters for pigs, sheep and cattle on pasture in order to attain Animal Welfare Approved by AGW certification. (2019)

**Deck Family Farm**, located in Willamette Valley, built small, portable pasture housing that is moveable by hand for 3,500 broiler chickens. (2012)

**Fraga Farmstead Creamery** in Gales Creek constructed a winter hoop house for goats in order to attain Animal Welfare Approved by AGW certification. (2019)

**Food 4 Life** in Klamath Falls provided fresh drinking water to each pasture on their farm via underground piping, frost free waterers, and water troughs. (2016)

**Red Bird Acres** in Corvallis upgraded their brooder system in 2016 to allow broiler chicks to have access to pasture at a much younger age. In 2018 they received a grant to install electric perimeter fencing for chickens, turkeys, and pigs.

**Rossallini Farm** in Scio purchased two large portable shelters for goats in order to attain Animal Welfare Approved by AGW certification. (2019)
Pennsylvania

**Apple Ridge Farm**, located in eastern PA, built a mobile hen house on a hay wagon. The new mobile chicken house allowed the farm to add another flock of laying hens. (2016)

**Coulter Farms** in Honey Grove installed wind curtains on two of their barns for dairy cows beef cattle. (2013)

**Fallen Aspen Farm** in Volant purchased solar chargers for fencing, materials for mobile shelters, and nipples and watering cubes for pigs on pasture. (2018)

**Henningstead Holsteins** in northeastern Pennsylvania made improvements to a housing facility for their cattle by adding a concrete floor. (2013)

**Ironstone Creamery** in Pottstown constructed portable shelters for finishing pigs as well as farrowing pigs. (2019)

**Ledamete Grass Farm** located in southeastern Pennsylvania built hog huts for feeder hogs and farrowing sows, and installed fencing. (2013)

**Shady Ridge Farm** in Port Matilda constructed a water system for beef cattle to become Certified Humane. (2018)

**Sunnyside Farm** in Dover built 12 mobile pens for their broiler chickens on pasture. (2013)

South Carolina

**J&J Farms** in Pinewood installed three additional water troughs for year-round grazing of beef cows. (2019)

Tennessee

**Foggy Hollow Farm** in Joelton purchased an incubator and a hatcher to allow the farm to breed and raise dual-purpose, Barred Plymouth Rock birds. (2013)

Texas

**Cartermere Farms** in Celina modified two mobile broiler houses for laying hens. (2018)

**Happy Chick Farms** in Lockhart purchased and installed fencing on two paddocks of pasture to allow two flocks of laying hens an alternating paddock. (2017)

**Koch Ranches, Inc.** in Medina and Frio Counties developed and printed four color promotional brochures marketing their meats. (2013)
Virginia

*ShireFolk Farm* in Palmyra improved feeding and watering systems for chickens and turkeys in order to become Certified Humane. (2018)

Vermont

*Bedrock Farm* in Georgia purchased and installed heated, automated watering systems for dairy calf barn and mature cow barnyard. (2017)

*Farmer Brown* in Esnburg Falls installed a centralized watering system to provide year-round watering and better nutrient management for their plants and livestock. (2016)

*Health Hero Farm* in South Hero built a portable animal health/scratching station for controlling face and horn flies in beef cattle. The project will help achieve Animal Welfare Approved certification for beef cattle in 2017. In 2019 the farm received a second grant to conduct a direct-marketing campaign in Vermont via paid advertising, a collaborative website, and media outreach with other AWA farms.

*Larson Farm* in Wells constructed a fly trap attached to their portable mineral feeder. (2016)

*Meadowdale Farm* in Putney buried water lines and installed 6 frost-free hydrants for beef cattle, broiler chickens, laying hens, sheep, pigs and turkeys on pasture. (2019)

*Wandering Roots* in Jeffersonville built a mobile coop for broiler chickens to become Certified Humane. (2019)

West Virginia

*Mil-ton Farms* near Milton purchased portable shelters, electric net fencing, and supplies for their chickens. (2013)

Washington

*Bright Ide Acres* in Snohomish to built three portable pens on pasture to help the farm achieve Animal Welfare Approved certification for their broiler chickens. (2017)

*Clear Valley Farm*, located in the northwest corner of Washington, improved pasture rotation and water access for the cows by building an alleyway with a central watering area on their pasture. (2016)

*Harmony Fields* in Bow purchased equipment (grain storage bin/chute panels and gate) for sheep in order to attain Animal Welfare Approved certification. (2019)

*Hell or High Water Farm* in Enumclaw purchased two Great Pyrenees livestock guardian dogs to protect laying hens on pasture in order to attain Animal Welfare Approved by AGW certification. (2019)

*Lydia’s Flock Registered Icelandic and Shetland Sheep* in Bellingham purchased portable electric fencing and livestock guardian dog for sheep on pasture. (2019)

*Misty Meadows Farm & Ranch* in Everson installed water pipes in pasture to keep fresh water running to the laying hens year round. (2017)

*Lincoln Creek Ranch*, located near Olympia, added a small-scale irrigation system which increased the amount of nutrition their sheep, cows, and hens can consume from grazing on pasture during dry months. (2012)

Wisconsin

*Bifrost Farms Creamery* in Boyceville added an aging room, and purchased the equipment needed to make aged, hard goat cheese. (2019)

*Brattset Family Farm* in Jefferson purchased fertilizer and seed to convert a continuously grazed pasture into a managed intensive grazed pasture. (2016)
Deep Roots Community Farm located near La Crosse purchased scratching posts, fly-attractant barrels, a portable chicken coop, and rubber mats for their beef cows and chickens. (2014)

Dreamfarm, located in Cross Plains adapted their original laying hen’s hoop houses to make them easier to move around on pasture. (2013)

Haucke Soil + Stock Co. in Viroqua introduced portable fencing so that the farm can begin a multi-species rotation for its animals. (2016)

Highland Spring Farm in Oregon designed and built a new corral system to reduce animal stress and achieve AWA certification for beef cattle. (2017)

Honeyview Century Farm, located in a Vesper purchased equipment and supplies to complete a cattle lane. (2014)

Lownland Farm, in Krakow created a concrete feeding pad for their cattle. (2014)

Redfearn Farms LLC in Darlington built six mini run-in sheds with open fronts for calf housing on pasture. (2014)

The G Farm in Larsen built fencing to protect trees and shrubs throughout pasture. (2018)

Whitefeather Organics located in Custer extended their electric fence line and to buried water lines, and upgrade their mobile hen house to enable more light and access to pasture for laying hens. (2014)