2023-2025 Farmer & Rancher Disaster Resilience Grant Program

Farmer, Rancher and Expert Advisory Committee Position Description:

In August 2023, the Oregon Legislature allocated \$2.65 million to support building on-farm disaster resilience for small and underserved farmers and ranchers across Oregon. OCFSN is looking for five farmers, ranchers representing small and underserved farmers and agriculture experts to serve on an Advisory Committee to review this grant program plan and help ensure this funding opportunity is as impactful and accessible as possible.

Scope of Work:

Advisory Committee members will review and offer suggestions to improve the grant program eligibility requirements, scoring rubric, and grant program format. Opportunities to provide this feedback will both be written and in a virtual meeting. Advisory Committee members will meet again after the first year grants are all distributed late Spring 2024 to review the program and offer suggestions for improvement for the next year. Advisory Committee members will also be asked to report on any gaps they see in the program or changes they would like to see from their own perspective and experience. All outcomes from these meetings will be included in the program final report to the State of Oregon.

Timing, Hours and Compensation:

Advisory Committee members will be chosen in early October 2023 with the first meeting held in late October 2023.

10 total hours per committee member include:

- 2 check-in meetings with program staff (1 hour each = 2 hours)
- 1 review meeting (2 hours), review materials and provide written comments/feedback (4 hours)
- 1 post grant meeting in 2024 to review outcomes (2 hours)

OCFSN has budgeted \$50/hour for each Advisory Committee member to complete the above tasks totalling no more than \$500 for each member. Payment of \$400 by the end of November 2023, and final payment of \$100 after the final meeting in April 2024.

To Apply:

Please complete this short application **form** (https://forms.gle/jJUfVipPoSuxCdE68) to apply. Please send any questions to andrew@ocfsn.org.