

Fleming County Hay, Straw & Grain Storage Program Grant Application

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Received by:

(Please Print)

Date _____ Farm Serial Number (required) _____

Name _____ SSN or Taxpayer ID (required) _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

Total Project Cost \$ _____ Any payment of \$600 or more will receive an IRS Form 1099

Cost share requested \$ _____ Grants may be requested for up to 50% of the actual cost not to exceed the \$4,000 per farm maximum.

Date of required educational session attended _____

IMPORTANT: Hay and straw storage facilities must be used to store hay and straw only. Recipients of Agricultural Development Funds are required to retain ownership of facilities for at least five (5) years.

Please review and sign following producer funding guidelines:

1. Producers who take part must supply a Farm Serial Number (FSN) and social security or tax ID number to receive payment. To be eligible for Agricultural Development Funds the producer must be engaged in the production of hay, straw, grain or operating a livestock enterprise.
2. All cost-share funds must be matched with **cash** from sources other than the Agricultural Development Fund. Agricultural Development Funds cannot exceed 50% of project cost. **The maximum cost-share benefit to any farm (FSN) shall be \$4,000 for the lifetime of this program.**
3. Producer shall retain adequate insurance coverage to replace any and all structures erected with or improved by Agricultural Development Funds.
4. The producer will be required to supply a numbered and dated receipt indicating buyer and seller information to be eligible for payment.
5. Should the producer fail to utilize funds by the reimbursement deadline, the associated funds shall be reallocated to the next available application. Additionally, the producer must reapply to be considered for cost-share funds in the next funding cycle.
6. As a prerequisite for participation in this program, each producer is required to provide a budget and attend an educational session provided by the Cooperative Extension Service in the area for each enterprise where assistance is being sought.

7. Eligible expenses may include those that were incurred after the adoption of the program by the State Agricultural Development Board.
8. All approved applicants are required to provide reporting information to allow sufficient evaluation of program success. Recipients qualifying for **hay & straw storage improvements** shall provide information including, but not limited to:
 - i. Acres harvested
 - ii. Average yield in tons / acre
 - iii. Amount stored
 - iv. Commercial sales in tons (if applicable)
 - v. Number of animals and days fed (if applicable)
 - vi. Production information: Avg. daily gain, daily milk production (if applicable)
 - vii. Details of this system compared to previous methods
 - viii. Nutritional analysis is not required but is strongly recommended for hay*

*This service can be obtained through the Kentucky Department of Agriculture by calling 1-800-248-4628.

Recipients qualifying for **grain storage improvements** shall provide information including, but not limited to:

- i. Acres of Grain
- ii. Average yield
- iii. Amount stored
- iv. Average harvest price captured
- v. Average price captured on stored grain

Please note: Monies may not be available to fund all applications.

I hereby request funding under the Fleming County Hay, Straw, and Grain Storage Program and agree to follow the guidelines in order to receive payment. By signing below I am stating that all receipts and/or documents submitted with this application are, to the best of my knowledge, true. I understand that if I fail to meet the reporting requirements associated with these cost-share dollars I may be required to repay a portion of the original grant amount.

Authorized Signature: _____

Application Checklist & Requirements:

To help make sure that you have everything together, we have made the following checklist. Please place a check mark by each item that is in the packet you are submitting for approval.

- A completed front page (each line must be filled out).
- A completed Cost-Share Outline for the items related to your project, for the Hay, Straw, and Grain Storage Program.
- Receipts for any and all purchases that you are requesting cost-share on. (Applicants for pre-approval must submit bids and/or estimates for items requesting cost-share on.)
- Completed Questions 1-6 on Questionnaire.
- Completed the Certification and Maintenance Agreement.

Below are the eligible investments that could receive support as stated within the guidelines of the “Fleming County Hay, Straw, and Grain Storage Program.” Please place a check beside the investments that you are applying for.

- Materials and construction of permanent hay shed, pole barn or Quonset hut type hay/straw storage facilities.
- Materials necessary to convert/retrofit existing structures for the sole purpose of hay/straw storage.
- Purchase of new or used grain bins.
- Repair, upgrade or modernization of existing grain bins and drying and handling equipment that will increase efficiency, improve quality and/or add value to the grain.

Prerequisites:

All funds will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis. Producer must provide receipts for each item being cost shared. Producer must attend an educational session and provide a budget prior to receiving cost-share funds.

CERTIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT:

1. Please attach all receipts (required for reimbursement). May be submitted at a later date than application, but must be in hand before disbursement of funds occurs.

2. By signing this Application and Maintenance Agreement:
 - (a) I acknowledge that I have read and understand the rules included in this document

 - (b) I agree to the terms of this program and acknowledge that I understand the terms of purchasing and owning the materials, equipment, etc. that I receive cost-share assistance and understand that approval is based on a point system criteria.

 - (c) I further certify that the items shown in the cost section of this application were installed in accordance with the specifications and requirements of the program and hereby apply for payment to the extent that the Buffalo Trace Area Development District has determined that the program has been performed.

 - (d) I accept full legal responsibility and liability for materials, equipment, etc. for which I receive cost-share assistance through this program. I release Buffalo Trace Area Development District its program committee and any or all of its members in any or all matters related to the cost-share and loan materials, equipment, etc. In addition, I release the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board, the Fleming County Extension Service and its Agents and any other resource people who may be involved in this project.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Hand Deliver or Mail to:
Fleming Co. Extension Office
P.O. Box 192
Flemingsburg, KY 41041
Office hours: 8-12, 1-4:30