

2023

Utah Soil Health Equipment Grant
Application



Grant Details

Total Program Funding	\$1,000,000	Expected Funding Date	10/13/2023
Expected Number of Awards	20	Expected Purchase Deadline	5/31/2024
Application Open Date	7/3/2023	Match Requirement	20%
Application Closing Date	8/18/2023		
Grand Award Cap	\$50,000		

Grant Description

The Utah Soil Health Equipment Grant is designed to provide funding for equipment for implementing soil health practices in the state. Access to soil health equipment has been identified as a key barrier to the adoption of soil health practices such as no-till. The equipment purchased will be made available to agriculture producers by the conservation district in the area it will serve.

Eligibility Criteria

Each grant application funding request will be capped at \$50,000 maximum with a minimum of 20% matching funds. The match requirement must be in the form of a financial contribution (no in-kind match)

All applications are required to have at least one conservation district as a fiscal partner. All reimbursement payments under the grant will be made through the conservation district.

Equipment purchased must have a tie to implementing at least one of five following soil health principles. 1. Keeping the soil covered. 2. minimizing soil disturbance (physical or chemical) 3. maximizing biodiversity 4. Keeping a living root as long as possible 5. Integrating livestock.

Application may include accessories and supportive equipment needed for the operation and or transportation of the soil health equipment being purchased.

Application Submission Instructions

Please submit the completed application electronically in PDF form via email to tdrichards@utah.gov. A printed (typed) application may be submitted via mail to Utah Soil Health Program - UDAF C/O Tony Richards, PO Box 146500, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-6500. All applications must be received via email or postmarked by August 18th, 2023. Applications received after this date will not be considered for funding. All applications must be signed by a representative of each partner involved to be considered complete.

Contact Information

Applicants with questions please contact

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Applicant Contact Information

Organization Name

Organization Address

Contact Name

Organization Phone Number

Organization Email

Conservation District Partner Information (If not applicant)

Conservation District Name

Conservation District Chairman

Conservation District Chairman Phone Number

Conservation District Chairman Email

Application Overview

Please summarize the equipment being requested along with the intended use and how it will improve the adoption of soil health practices in the area. Include any current goals that will be accomplished with the equipment if funded.

Please describe the potential impact this equipment will have and the types of participants it will be benefiting.

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Equipment Details

Type of Equipment being Requested *(example - No-till drill)* _____

Estimated Cost of Equipment _____

Please List Any Required
Accessories that will be
purchased

Estimated total Cost of Required Accessories _____

Total Amount of Matching Funds being committed *(all partners)* _____

Total Grant Amount being Request *(total equipment cost minus match)* _____

How many acres do you estimate the equipment will be utilized annually _____

How many individuals do you estimate will use the equipment annually _____

Will this equipment be utilized in Urban agriculture? Yes

No

No

IF YES: Please describe the type of urban agriculture settings the equipment will be used

Organization Details

Please Describe the partners involved in the equipment purchase and what role/responsibility each will have

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Organization Details Continued

Is this the first soil health equipment being purchased by the organization?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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IF NO

Does the organization currently have the same type of equipment?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is there a current project the organization is doing that this equipment will be utilized on?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Do you have additional fiscal partners?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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IF YES: Please list the fiscal partners (including contact info) and the amounts they will be contributing

Additional Information

Please provide any additional information about your request that you feel would help the ranking committee understand your request.

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Applicant Signatures

By Signing the Applicant Acknowledges that this application is not a guarantee of funding and in no way not obligates the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food or the State of Utah to a commitment of funding. The Applicant also acknowledges the information in this application to be true to the best of their knowledge and it done in food faith.

Applicant Signature	Date	Applicant Name

Conservation District Chairman Signature	Date	Chairman Name

Partner Representative Signature	Date	Partner Name

Attach any optional files, such as cost estimates, pictures, and equipment brochures as a separate file from the application, preferably in PDF format.

[Access the Directory of Conservation Districts Here](#)