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Information and Research Sources for Farmers

Program	How it helps	Website link
USDA Dana Coale 202-720-4392 AskDairy@usda.gov	The Dept. of Agriculture is urging farmers to continue to gather and quantify data on their losses due to COVID -19. They will solicit the data to attempt to obtain funding to help defray some of the losses.	www.usda.gov
Federal Cares Act	Allocated \$9.5 billion through the U.S. Department of Agriculture to deal with farm issues and \$14 billion to the department's Commodity Credit Corporation, which also assists the country's agriculture industry and farmers	https://www.farmers.gov/coronavirus
USDA Local Service Station	Abby Gulseth District Conservationist (315) 736-3316 (855) 401-1962 fax abby.gulseth@ny.usda.gov	www.usda.gov
The Cornell Small Farms Program	Small farms can help build human capacity, revitalize communities, supply regional food systems, and foster ecological resilience in a changing world.	https://smallfarms.cornell.edu/resources/farm-resilience/
Farm Credit Services of America	Farm Credit Services of America is supplementing their monthly financial series with a weekly webinar aimed at helping producers manage the financial fallout of COVID-19.	www.fcsamerica.com

<p>New York Farm Bureau</p>	<p>New York Farm Bureau will be sending daily alerts at this time to keep you up to date on the latest COVID-19 news that may affect you, your farm family and employees. We know things are constantly changing, but we will do our best to keep you informed, offer guidance and share ways you may be able to help.</p>	<p>www.nyfb.org</p>
<p>Financial Planning</p>	<p>Navigating the ups and downs of milk prices and input costs can feel much like riding a roller coaster. Here are some resources to help fine-tune your strategy for maintaining profitability and understanding your cost of production in good times and bad.</p>	<p>https://www.centerfordairyexcellence.org/</p>
<p>Farm Credit Service of America</p>	<p>We are supplementing our monthly financial series with a weekly webinar aimed at helping producers manage the financial fallout of COVID-19. Join us for two unique webinar series on April 23, 2020</p>	<p>https://www.fcsamerica.com/</p>
<p><u>Grant</u> American Farmland Trust</p>	<p>The fund will award eligible farmers with cash grants of up to \$1,000 each to help weather the current storm of market disruptions. The initial focus will be on farms that sell at farmer's markets or to restaurants, caterers, schools, stores, or makers who use farm products. That focus could change over time as the negative impacts of the crisis become more widespread within U.S. agriculture.</p>	<p>https://farmland.org/farmer-relief-fund/</p>

<p><u>Grant</u> FACT</p>	<p>Emergency Mini Grants for Livestock and Poultry Farmers will award \$500 on a rolling basis until funding is depleted.</p>	<p>https://foodanimalconcernstrust.org</p>
<p><u>Grant</u> FARM AID 1-800-Farm-aid</p>	<p>These emergency grants are recommended on a case-by-case basis by Farm Aid's hotline managers who connect farmers with helpful services, resources and opportunities specific to their individual needs.</p>	<p>www.farmaid.org</p>
<p><u>Grant</u> The Community Foundation Info@foundationhoc.org</p>	<p>Mohawk Valley Covid-19 Response Fund</p>	<p>www.foundationhoc.org</p>
<p><u>Future Grant</u> 1.FACT's Fund-a-Farmer Grants Larissa McKenna Humane Farming Program Director 773-525-4952</p>	<p>2020 Animal Welfare Certification Grants and Capacity Building Grants</p>	<p>www.foodanimalconcernstrust.org grants@foodanimalconcerns.org</p>
<p>2.New York State Energy Research and Development Authority George Harper 816-801-6146 geharper@dfamilk.com</p>	<p>Grants for producers interested in harnessing on-farm renewable energy for their dairy operation. The grants from NYSERDA total \$20 million and will be used to install anaerobic digesters, which can create electricity and heat from manure. Funding is available on a first-come, first-served basis; up to \$2 million is available</p>	<p>http://bit.ly/1hv4VRN http://www.dfaenergy.com/news/ny-grants-dairy-farmers</p>

<p>3.The John May Farm Safety Fund 1-800-343-7527 info@nycamh.org</p>	<p>For New York farmers needing financial help to improve work-related safety on their farms. Awardees must meet these eligibility requirements: (1) resident of New York State, (2) active farmer (part-time or full-time), and (3) annual farm gross receipts are \$10,000 - \$349,999 OR dairy farm has fewer than 700 milking cows. Awards may not exceed 50% of the estimated total cost of the project, with a maximum award amount of \$5,000.</p>	<p>www.nycamh.org</p>
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