



The Northeast Organic Farming Association of New York Inc. (NOFA-NY) is administering a Northeast Dairy Business Innovation Center (DBIC) non-competitive grant program for New York organic dairy producers that have recently had their hauling/processing contracts terminated.

All certified organic dairy producers in New York who have recently had their contracts terminated are eligible to apply for funds for infrastructure and equipment purchases or upgrades needed to make the farm shipment-ready or to improve milk quality. Farms do not have to be certified with NOFA-NY to apply for funding but must be located in New York State.

Grant funds will be available on a reimbursement basis – meaning payments will be distributed after supplying NOFA-NY receipts for eligible purchases. Please note that purchases must be pre-approved by NOFA-NY, or, if preferred, NOFA-NY can purchase eligible equipment on your behalf.

Each eligible farm can receive up to \$5,000.

These funds can be used for, but are not limited to:

- Chart recorders
- Milk house equipment replacement
- Sanitation supplies
- Stanchion and tie-stall improvements (i.e. mattresses)
- Technical assistance (i.e. to address milk quality issues, improve components)
- Barn, housing, or other farmstead improvements (excluding construction costs) that are critical to ensuring you have a buyer

This grant program runs until January 31, 2023, however, the funds are available right now, so please don't wait to reach out. To apply for these funds, please fill out and submit the two-page application enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bethany Wallis".

Bethany Wallis
Executive Director

Northeast Organic Farming Association of New York, Inc. (NOFA-NY)

NOFA-NY Organic Dairy Grant Application

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► **Submit your completed application using one of the following methods:**

Mail this form to:
NOFA-NY, Inc.
1010 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13203

Email this form to:
Liana Hoodes at
Lhoodes@nofany.org

Visit us Online:
Complete the application
online at **bit.ly/3yOX6WH**

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____

Farm Name: _____ **County:** _____

Farm Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Mailing Address (if different than farm address): _____

Phone: _____ **Best days and times to call:** _____

Email (optional): _____

Acres Farmed:

Owned: _____ Rented: _____

Number of people working on the Farm:

Full Time: _____ Seasonal Part Time: _____ Part Time: _____

**Do you have a Unique Entity ID # (UEI) from the U.S. Government?
If you do not have a UEI #, you can obtain one at www.sam.gov.**

Yes I have a UEI #. It is: _____

No I do not have a UEI #.

No I do not have a UEI # and I need assistance registering for one.

No, I am unable to obtain a UEI #. If this is the case, program participation is not restricted: NOFA-NY may be able to purchase items on your behalf.

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Please describe what you would like to use the funding for. If you are unsure, and would like some assistance, please indicate that here:

Please explain your farm's current hauling/processing contract status, and how this funding will help your farm remain viable:

Optional: If you were recently (within the past year) dropped from your hauler/processor, or notified that your hauling/processing contract will be ending, who is/was your processor?

Horizon Organic/Danone Maple Hill Creamery Other: _____

Circle range for last year's total farm sales. This is confidential information and will not be shared:

\$10,000 - \$49,999	\$100,000 - \$249,000	\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999
\$50,000 - \$99,999	\$250,000 - \$499,999	\$2,000,000 or more
	\$500,000 - \$999,999	

**With questions or for help completing this form, please contact
Liana Hooded of NOFA-NY at 914-443-5759 or Lhoodes@nofany.org.**