



Farmer Flood Relief Mini-Grant Program July 2018

Overview

Mālama Kaua'i will administer a 2nd round of funding, totalling \$65,000, in their farm recovery mini-grant program to assist Kaua'i farmers impacted by the April floods. Many of the farmers in our community are small to mid-sized and may not qualify for additional assistance. Yet many of these farmers provide an important source of healthy food for our communities, and may be at risk of failing due to flood damage.

All farmers are encouraged to apply, however, priority recipients include full-time farmers with significant loss of income, small agricultural nonprofits and community organizations, farmers without insurance or access to government programs, and/or farmers who have experienced housing loss.

Criteria for Selection

Farmers seeking assistance will be required to complete the mini-grant needs assessment form. A selection committee made of up agricultural leaders in various farm sectors and organizations will review and score applications according to the following criteria for selection:

- Level of damage (Infrastructure damage, Equipment damage, Crop & livestock damage, Expected duration without income or subsistence, and/or Loss of housing)
- Access to government assistance & farm insurance
- Reliance upon farming for income or subsistence

Timeline

An initial \$50,000 was distributed to 28 farmers in June from the May application round; farmers that submitted an application and received a mini-grant during the last round do *not* need to reapply and will automatically be reconsidered for additional funding from the new pool of \$65,000.

New applicants must submit their application by Friday, July 20th, 2018 - **applications must be received by this date** for consideration. Applications should be scanned and emailed to farmerfund@malamakauai.org or dropped off in-person at Mālama Kaua'i's flood relief office at Common Ground in Kilauea, 10am to 4pm Monday through Friday. You will receive a confirmation email when your application is received.

Farmer Flood Relief Mini-Grant Application

All application forms and applicant info will remain confidential and will only be used by Selection Committee for grant determination and Technical Assistance Providers to understand your situation and goals, and ultimately to better serve you.

Applicant Information

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Farm Business Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Approximate 2017 Gross Farm Income: \$ _____

Applicant Land Use Information

of Acres Owned/Leased: ____ # of Acres in Ag Production: ____ Do you have insurance? ____ (Y/N)

Have you filed taxes for your farm for the last 2 years? ____ (Y/N) Do you have a legal lease? ____ (Y/N)

Use of Land / Crops / Animals: _____

Do you currently farm primarily to: (select only one)

Enjoy the outdoors / hobby

Feed family / subsistence

Earn extra money / part-time job

Earn base income / professional

Resources of Interest *(please select all you are interested in)*

Mini-Grant Funding Only

Ag Intern Summer Workday at Your Farm

Assistance with Grant & Loan Forms/Applications

Finding New Farm Location / Lease

Damage & Needs Description

Please describe your damage in as much detail as possible. Please be specific:

Infrastructure & Equipment:

Crops & Livestock:

Main Housing/Dwelling:

What is your expected duration without income or subsistence? What is the estimated value of this loss?

Do you have any basic needs still not being met? (ie. food, shelter, toiletries, clothing, bedding, cleaning supplies, protective equipment such as mold masks or gloves, etc.) Please describe.