



Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Plasticulture Program Grant Application

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The Oklahoma Plasticulture Grant Program offers small limited resource farmers* an opportunity to diversify their enterprises by adding specialty crop production to their operations. The program emphasizes marketing and requires a three-year commitment based on funding availability. Exception: Project participation may be cancelled due to serious illness or other extenuating circumstances.

The plasticulture projects will range from 1/4-1 acre in size. A soil and water test must be performed prior to ground preparation to ensure that plants will be productive.

The farmer will provide the following:

Water

Plants

Water and Soil Test

Ground Preparation

Production Report - Failure to provide accurate production reports may lead to termination of your participation in the Plasticulture Program.

The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry (ODAFF) will provide:

Plastic

Drip Tape

Shut Off Valves

Grant funds may be used for soil and water testing, animal depredation, scales, fertilizer, plants and fencing materials if necessary. The maximum grant reimbursement is not to exceed \$500 for each year.

ITEMIZED RECEIPTS MUST BE PROVIDED FOR REIMBURSEMENT BY JUNE 30 OF EACH YEAR.

Compliance Terms:

1. Failure to follow all requirements of the Plasticulture grant contracts shall result in no eligibility for future years. In some cases, it may result in repayment of all or part of the grant funds to the Department.
2. Any misuse of grant funds shall result in repayment of all or part of the grant funds to the Department.
3. Any change to the original application shall require a written request submitted for approval to the Department.

Applicants Information:

Name _____

Company/Farm Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

E-Mail _____

Location and Legal Description of Plasticulture Project (if different from above):

Size of Project _____

Do you own or rent? _____

Did you have any type of garden in previous years and how many acres? _____

What kinds of vegetables were raised? _____

Describe any experience you have in growing produce.

Where do you intend to sell your produce? _____

Do you eat any of your crops? _____

Describe how you plan to market your produce.

Will you be able to adequately prepare the location to be used? _____

Do you have adequate water supply? _____ How far is water supply from location? _____

What types of vegetables would you like to raise? _____

Have you received grant funding before: **YES/NO** (If yes complete the next 3 questions)

Entity/Source? _____

Dollar amount? _____

What type of project was it for? _____

I agree to the above mentioned requirements and all program rules. To the best of my knowledge the above information is correct. I also agree to attend a regional meeting before my plasticulture garden will be installed and use my plasticulture project as a demonstration site if needed by ODAFF.

Signature

Date

*A limited resource farmer is defined as a person with a direct or indirect gross farm sales not more than \$100,000 in each of the previous two years and has gotten little or no assistance from the government.

Grants will be approved on a competitive basis and will be evaluated by the following criteria:

Experience - 60 points

Marketing Plan - 40 Points

Please mail applications to: Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry Attn: Ashley Bender 2800 N. Lincoln Blvd. Oklahoma City, OK 73105.

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