

North Carolina Agricultural Manufacturing and Processing Initiative (NCAMPI)

Helene Grant Proposal Application

Deadlines

The NCAMPI applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. The review, due diligence and decision to award or not award will take some time. An application that is correctly and fully completed will enable the process to be as efficient as possible.

Potential applicants are invited to contact the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NCDA&CS) to discuss the proposal ahead of the application to ascertain fit and other guidance. Potential applicants are asked to email our office at ncampi@ncagr.gov.

Public Records

Applications, attachments, and other written materials received by the Department are subject to the public records law. NCDA&CS is subject to the same economic development confidentiality standards as other state agencies. Documents that are the confidential trade secrets of a private entity should be clearly marked as such.

Guidelines

The guidelines and supporting documents for the NCAMPI can be found [here](#).

I. Applicant Information

Must select the entity type below with whom the grant will be administered:

Local Government (infrastructure)

Agricultural Manufacturing Facility

Name of Local Gov. for Infrastructure:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Postal Code:

County:

Date of Incorporation:

Federal Tax Identification/EIN:

Website:

Organization Contact Information:

Prefix:

First Name:

Last Name:

Title:

Telephone:

Email:

Organization Project Contact Information:

Prefix:

First Name:

Last Name:

Title:

Telephone:

Email:

II. Agricultural Manufacturer (Company Name)

Company Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Postal Code:

County:

Physical Address/Project Location:

City:

State:

Postal Code:

County:

Date of Incorporation:

Federal Tax ID/EIN:

Website:

Agricultural Manufacturer (Company) Contact Information

Prefix:

First Name:

Last Name:

Title:

Telephone:

Email:

III. Project Information Project Title:

This may be the project name used for economic development purposes.

Grant Request Amount:

Total Project Cost:

Note: total grant request amount cannot exceed the lesser of 50 percent of the project cost or \$5,000,000

Project Start Date:

Project End Date:

Note: The Applicant must be able to demonstrate the financial capacity to carry out the project should the grant be awarded.

Project Description – Summary

Text box of up to 100 words that should include the name of the applicant organization, all partners involved in the project, a description of project tasks, a description of the anticipated outcomes, and expected benefits to NC farmers and/or growers (basically the elevator pitch)

Expected Benefits *Please check all that apply:*

Job Creation

Increased Wages

Private Capital Investment

Reduced Farmer/Grower Costs

Increased NC Farmer/Grower Production

Increased Pricing Value for NC Agricultural Products

Other (please specify):

In 250 words or less (total), explain how each of the checked benefit categories will apply.

Geographic Impact

Please list the county where the project will be housed:

Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Cabarrus, Caldwell, Catawba, Cherokee, Clay, Cleveland, Forsyth, Gaston, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Iredell, Jackson, Lee, Lincoln, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Mitchell, Nash, Polk, Rowan, Rutherford, Stanly, Surry, Swain, Transylvania, Union, Watauga, Wilkes, Yadkin, Yancey, or OTHER

Please list county or counties that have farmers or growers that will directly and substantially benefit from the project:

Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Cabarrus, Caldwell, Catawba, Cherokee, Clay, Cleveland, Forsyth, Gaston, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Iredell, Jackson, Lee, Lincoln, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Mitchell, Nash, Polk, Rowan, Rutherford, Stanly, Surry, Swain, Transylvania, Union, Watauga, Wilkes, Yadkin, Yancey

Please describe the presence and concentration of the agricultural product to be utilized or enhanced by this project:

Project Description (Main Body)

In not more than 1,200 words, please provide more detail on the project, background information and funding priorities. Main points covered should include:

- What is the purpose of the project? Who are the partners involved in the project?*
- What gaps are facing NC farmers/growers will this project address?*
- What are the outcomes expected relevant to NCAMPI goals?*
- Will the project benefit small and/or mid-sized farming and growing operations?*
- How will this project benefit farmers, growers, and others negatively affected by Hurricane Helene?*
- How will this project use atmosphere controls? (if this answer is "not at all" the project is not eligible for this round of funding)*
- Who are the beneficiaries?*
- How long the project take?*
- How will you define and measure success?*

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Project Tasks

Please list the tasks that need to be completed for project success and the time frame for each task.

1.

2.

3.

Project Measurement

Please describe how you will demonstrate success, using specific, quantifiable, and measurable outcomes. Data such as NC-101 forms to show job creation or county agriculture statistics to demonstrate increased production would be examples of such metrics.

Such measures may use output (100 farmers sold product to this facility) or outcome measures (those farmers gained \$x in income from this new market).

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Project Budget

Please complete the NCAMPI Budget Worksheet.

Signatures

Organization Chief Executive:

Organization Board Chair:

IV. Attachments

- Applicant Most Recent Financial Statement, *preferably audited* (if local government)
- List of Applicant Board Members (if local government)
- Letter or Resolution of Support from Applicant Board of Directors
- NCAMPI Budget Worksheet

Three years of financial statements for Agricultural Manufacturer that will benefit directly from the project (Income Statement, Statement of Cash Flows, Balance Sheet) may be marked as confidential/trade secret for nonpublic companies. These documents may be sent directly to ncampi@ncagr.gov. Please include the Project Name in the communication.

- Other relevant information
- Feasibility studies
- Site plans/architectural drawings
- Photos
- Equipment specifications
- Letters of Support