



Research and Education Grants

Northeast SARE's competitive Research and Education Grants provide up to \$250,000 for educational efforts that empower farmers to adopt new behaviors, decision-making approaches or practices that enhance farming sustainability in the Northeast.

How Research and Education Grants Work

Research and Education projects give farmers the information, education, resources and, importantly, the confidence they need to adopt more sustainable practices on their farms.

Most Research and Education projects include on-farm or farmer-led research, but a research component is not required to receive these grants. What is essential is farmer-focused education that addresses a demonstrated farmer need and is designed to lead to real-world changes in farm practices. Any area of sustainability may be addressed by Research and Education projects and recent projects included marketing models, urban farm mentoring, agroforestry, aquaculture and aquaponic research, succession planning and ruminant research.



"Farming can be a very lonely business when one is solely responsible for the learning, the decisions, the physical work and the consequences of the aforementioned, so to have interaction with other farmers is really uplifting and inspiring. The learning circle was an encouraging view into other's lives, and I was awed by the undertakings of some of the farmers."

Comment submitted by a small-scale organic grain farmer
Farmers for the Land: Helping Farmers Advance Soil Health in Pennsylvania

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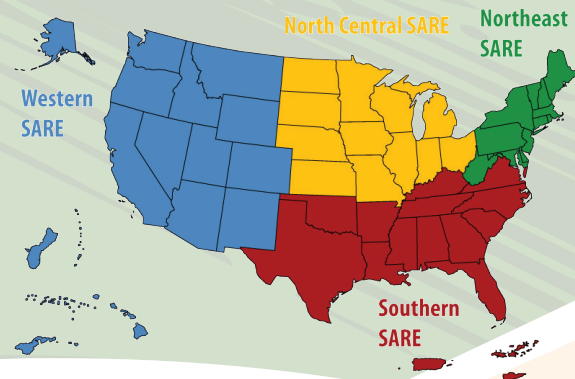
Awards: Research and Education Grants are capped at \$250,000.

Duration: Projects may last up to three years.

Funding Rate: Historically, fewer than 25 percent of proposals are funded.

Eligibility: Anyone who works in farming is eligible to apply. Applicants may be located outside the Northeast Region, but project activities and potential benefits must occur within the region of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, West Virginia, Vermont or Washington, D.C.

Project Design: Projects may include a research component, but must include an educational focus.



To Apply

Proposals are accepted only during open periods. Deadlines and complete eligibility requirements are listed in the Call for Proposals.

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