



## **Purpose:**

To provide supplemental funding to Cook County community gardens to be used for plantings, seeds, garden supplies and materials. Grant funds must be used at Cook County Farm Bureau member businesses\*.

## **Grant:**

Six (6) awards of \$350.00 each will be granted to community gardens in Cook County.

Grant awards will be in the form of **vouchers** to be **redeemed** at cooperating Cook County Farm Bureau Member Greenhouses, Farm Stands and Businesses for plantings, and materials identified in the grant application.

\*CCFB member Business contact information will be provided with grant awards.

## **Goal:**

To develop urban community awareness of agriculture through gardening, to provide additional funding to meet garden goals, and to connect gardens with area farmers/businesses.

## **Process:**

Grant application date deadline is February 29, 2024, 11:59 pm; all garden applicants will be notified of awards by mid-March.

## **Grant Assistance/Clarification:**

Contact Debbie Voltz (CCFB) at 708-354-3276 or email: [membershipdebbie@cookcfb.org](mailto:membershipdebbie@cookcfb.org).

## Cook County Farm Bureau® Cookfresh® Urban Garden Grant Program 2024

Urban Garden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address of Garden:(not address of organization):  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Grant Coordinator/Contact Name: (name, email, phone)  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Contact Name (email and phone): \_\_\_\_\_

Organization *Mailing Address* for Grant Info:  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Website/Facebook: \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Founded Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 501c Not for Profit: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has the Garden been previously awarded a Cookfresh grant? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Does your municipality require a permit for the garden? \_\_\_\_\_(If yes, attach copy of permit)

Please provide a summary of the Community Garden:

**Grant amount: \$350.00**

If awarded grant vouchers, what will they be used to purchase from a CCFB member business? Fund use examples: soil, seedlings, plants, garden material, tools

<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Cost (estimate)</u>
<i>Examples:</i>		
<i>shovel</i>	<i>for planting</i>	<i>\$25.00</i>
<i>tomato plants</i>	<i>for planting</i>	<i>12 @ \$3.00 each</i>

**TOTAL Projected 2024 Garden Budget:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Does your organization have other funding sources? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please identify, including in-kind services:**

**How will the garden enhance the community and benefit area citizens?**

**Will your organization offer any educational activities related to the garden, to the community? If yes, please list.**

**How will the effectiveness of the garden be measured and evaluated? (i.e.: number of participants, harvest, sales, activities, etc.)**

Does your garden have a gardener guidelines list? (if yes, please attach) Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Does your group hold liability insurance for the garden and volunteers involved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Does your garden have access to a regular, consistent source of water for plants? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Will your group be willing to display a Cook County Farm Bureau "support" sign and provide a tour of the garden if you receive a grant for your garden? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Grant Preparer: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grant Coordinator Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline: February 29, 2024**

*(Grant application date must be verified by post mark date, fax transmittal or email delivery time to for consideration.)*

**Return by mail, email, or fax to:**

Cook County Farm Bureau®  
6438 Joliet Road Ste 101  
Countryside, IL 60525  
Attn: Debbie-Cookfresh Garden Grant  
708-354-3276 Fax: 708-579-6056  
E-Mail: [membershipdebbie@cookcfb.org](mailto:membershipdebbie@cookcfb.org)

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Cookfresh Community Garden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Garden Coordinator(s)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_