

Resource List from WSDA Infrastructure Grant Virtual Forum

11/7/2023

WSDA Infrastructure Grant Program

Resource support offered: grant overview, FAQs, recorded webinars, Q&A office hours, and more.

<https://agr.wa.gov/departments/business-and-marketing-support/small-farm/infrastructure-grant>

Contact: localfoodinfrastructure@agr.wa.gov

Center for Inclusive Entrepreneurship

Resource support offered: business licensing, getting EIN and UEI numbers; grant budget development, narrative development and package review

<https://www.cie-nw.org/>

Clallam/Jefferson Contact: Rick Dickinson, rick.dickinson@cie-nw.org

EDC Team Jefferson

Resource support offered: assists businesses and entrepreneurs, cash flow statements, financial projections, business resources; grant application support (Douglas Hammel)

<https://www.edcteamjefferson.org/>

Jefferson Contact: Kelly Blume, accounting@edcteamjefferson.org; Douglas Hammel, services@edcteamjefferson.org

Clallam County Economic Development Council (EDC)

Resource support offered: assists businesses and entrepreneurs, cash flow statements, financial projections, business resources.

<https://www.clallam.org/>

Contact: Colleen McAleer, info@clallam.org

North Olympic Development Council (NODC)

Resource support offered: helping ag and food businesses overcome barriers to growth; connections to consultants and resources; grant narrative review and application support

<https://www.noprcd.org/>

Clallam Contact: Mark Bowman, mark@nopr.cd.org

Jefferson Contact: Elise Wright, elise@nopr.cd.org

Kitsap County Conservation District/Kitap Ag Business Support

Resource support offered: one-on-one ag business advising and grants in collaboration with WSU Extension; small farm technical assistance; farm succession planning; grant narrative review, budget development; Kitsap regulatory framework assistance

<https://kitsapcd.org/>

Kitsap County Contact: Diane Fish, d-fish@kitsapcd.org and Jess Sappington, jess.sappington@wsu.edu

WA Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

Resource support offered: no-cost business advising

<https://wsbdc.org/>

Clallam and Jefferson County Contact: SharonAnn Hamilton, SharonAnn.Hamilton@wsbdc.org

Kitsap County Contact: Laura Provolt, provoll@wwu.edu

WSU Extension Regional Small Farms Program

Resource support offered: connections to variety of resources, educational learning opportunities related to agricultural entrepreneurship

<https://extension.wsu.edu/regionalsmallfarms/>

Contact: Program Coordinator, Kellie Henwood, kellie.henwood@wsu.edu or Director, Amit Sharma, amit.sharma1@wsu.edu

Additional Resources Listed:

WSDA Regional Markets Program

Resource support offered: local food system support, regulatory interpretation and guidance, resource access, market access, grant support, and more.

<https://agr.wa.gov/departments/business-and-marketing-support/small-farm>

Contacts: Regional Markets Program Lead, Laura Raymond, lraymond@agr.wa.gov; Small Farm Direct Marketing Specialist, Micha Ide, micha.ide@agr.wa.gov

Chimacum Valley Grainery & Roots of Resilience

<https://www.rootsproject.org/>

Resource support offered: Grant concept development and narrative review

Contact: Crystie Kisler, christie@finnriver.com

Report from *Opportunities for Values-based Supply Chains on the North Olympic Peninsula*:

In 2017, WSU Extension applied for and received a Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) to assess the viability of coordinated production and processing of vegetables for small-scale farmers on the North Olympic Peninsula. Opportunities for the centralized aggregation, processing, storage, and distribution of produce for commercial consumption and noncommercial consumption by area residents were explored. After determining that a larger scale, infrastructure heavy approach to processing and aggregation was not feasible given limitations with both supply (scale of current production) and supplier interest and capacity, it was determined that focusing on smaller-scale, targeted value-chain investments and business assistance for farmers could achieve similar goals to grow the agricultural sectors across Clallam and Jefferson Counties. Read full report on our website:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/regionalsmallfarms/latest-news/>