



# Michigan Food & Farming Systems - MIFFS

Supporting the Many Faces of Farming

## Tips for Farmers to Prepare to Access USDA Relief Funding

### If you don't have a Farm Number, register with USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA)

- All producers should register with USDA for a Farm Number, this is essential your ID number for all USDA programs.
- Find your local FSA office [here](#).
- Forms to fill out:
  - [Form AD 2047](#): Customer Data Worksheet
    - *Fill out demographic information in Field 6* to be eligible for programs targeted at BIPOC and women farmers.
  - [Form AD 1026](#) Wetland and Highly Erodible Land determination
  - [Form CCC 941](#) Adjusted Gross Income Certification & Consent to disclose task information

If you already have a farm number, call your county Farm Service Agency to update form AD 2047 and self-identify as socially disadvantaged. This can be done over the phone or email. **You should be given a receipt for service, if not ask for one.** This process is crucial for farmers who may be eligible for debt relief.

- [Form AD 2047](#)
  - Check all applicable boxes

Demographic Information					
Departmental Regulation 4370-001 provides USDA's policies for collecting demographic data, including race, ethnicity and gender. Providing demographic information is voluntary and at the discretion of the customer. Demographic information is used by USDA for statistical purposes only and will not be used to determine an applicant's eligibility for programs or services for which they apply. You may disregard providing information in items 6A, 6B and 6C if the information has previously been provided to USDA. Customers identified in Item 1A that are a legal entity should base responses to the race, ethnicity and gender of the owners holding majority ownership interest in the legal entity.					
<input type="checkbox"/> I do not want to provide demographic information at this time.					
6A. Race: (Note: More than 1 may be selected)	6B. Ethnicity:	6C. Gender (Individual):	6D. Gender (Legal Entity)		
<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian / Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Not Hispanic or Latino	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable/unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Organization/Female Owned <input type="checkbox"/> Organization/Male Owned <input type="checkbox"/> Organization/Other (no clear male/female ownership)		
7. Producer is Customer of One or More of the Following Agencies. (Check Appropriate Agency(ies) below):					
<input type="checkbox"/> AMS	<input type="checkbox"/> FSA	<input type="checkbox"/> NRCS	<input type="checkbox"/> RMA	<input type="checkbox"/> RD	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Participating

- Field 9 - Reason for Request: Check "New Producer" or for existing producers check "other" and write in anything you like or "Update Demographic Info". *Producers can request to update this form at any time for any reason.* FSA should not be questioning why you want to update and they cannot ask for proof of demographic information.

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## **Relief Programs Currently Accepting Applications**

### **Paycheck Protection Program - Extended to May 31st**

- Farmers should work with their financial institution to apply
- Local Small Business Association may be able to offer additional support for applications

### **CFAP-2 - Reopened until at least June 5. Can update or submit new applications.**

- Application information: <https://www.farmers.gov/cfap/apply>
- A **call center** is available for producers who would like additional one-on-one support with the CFAP 2 application process. Please call **877-508-8364** to speak directly with a USDA employee ready to offer assistance. The call center can provide service to non-English speaking customers. Customers will select 1 for English and 2 for Spanish. For other languages, customers will select 1 and indicate their language to the call center staff.
- Helpful Resources:
  - [CFAP Producer Calculator \(Excel only\)](#)
  - [CFAP Calculator Video](#)
  - [CFAP Application Portal User Guide](#)
  - [CFAP Online Application Portal](#)
  - [CFAP Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#)
  - [CFAP Additional Commodities Request for Information](#)
  - [CFAP Payment Dashboard](#)
  - [CFAP Federal Register Notice Correcting Amendment 7/10/20](#)
  - [CFAP Additional Eligible Commodities \(NOFA\) 7/10/20](#)
  - [CFAP Federal Register Notice Correcting Amendment 8/14/20](#)
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### **Socially disadvantaged Farmer USDA Debt Relief**

- Congress mandated that all socially disadvantaged farmers be relieved of debt with an additional 20% to cover taxes. [Website](#).
- Eligibility determination will be an automated process at USDA based on demographic info on record and new [FORM AD2047](#). Make sure you call your FSA office to update or fill out demographic information on this form.
- Speak with a lawyer about the tax implications of this funding and make you understand them. Farmers will be taxed on the payment, hence the 20% to producers. Tax implications can financially ruin a farm if you don't understand and plan for it.
- [Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers Policy Research Center Listening Session](#)
- [FAQs](#)

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