



2017 GFB Foundation for Agriculture 4-H and FFA Grant Guidelines Summer/Fall Cycle

About: The GFB Foundation for Agriculture is dedicated to enhancing agricultural literacy across Georgia. The Foundation Grant program is a funding opportunity for 4-H and FFA chapters throughout the state to help raise consumer awareness, enhance leadership growth and participate in ag literacy projects. These grants are offered in amounts up to \$500 for the following programs: classroom education, consumer awareness, leadership development. The purpose of the grant program is to support projects that will expand agricultural literacy.

Eligibility: Grants are offered to 4-H and FFA chapters in Georgia on a competitive basis with priority given to those programs demonstrating a need for financial support.

Summer/Fall Grant Application Timeline:

- Applications will be due June 30th
- Recipients will be notified by July 30th
- Funding will be issued by August 15th

Application Guidelines

- Grant applications must be completed online using the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/4hffagrantsapplication>.
- Selected projects must submit a follow-up report and at least two photos to the Foundation within 30 days of the event. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of eligibility for two calendar years.
- Each chapter may receive one grant per calendar year.
- Funding is not available for mileage, field trips, landscaping projects, butterfly gardens, wages and benefits, safety programs or one-time consumable products such as copying, paper or meals.
- Grant payments can be made only to a 4-H or FFA chapter. Payments cannot be made to individuals or to other organizations.
- All applications must be for agricultural literacy, consumer education or leadership development programs. This program is not to address farm safety education.
- Project must be completed within twelve (12) months of receipt of funds.
- Any grant application not meeting guidelines will be eliminated from the judging process prior to examination by judges. The following areas will disqualify:
 - Applicant failing to follow directions
 - Applications submitted after the deadline
 - Consumables in budget
 - Applications not meeting basic qualifications
- Any questions regarding the application or selection process should be directed to Katie Gazda, Executive Director, at kngazda@gfb.org or (478) 474-0679, ext. 5230.

Judges will score based upon the following:

<p>The project meets one or more of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhances learner engagement in today's food, fiber and fuel system. • Enhances the leadership development of 4-H or FFA chapter members. • Increases consumer awareness of food and fiber production and modern technologies in our food and fiber supply. 	30 points
<p>This project will creatively engage students, teachers, consumers or farmers in a manner that encourages them to learn more about agriculture.</p>	20 points
<p>The project narrative is complete and includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan • Goals • Timeline • Budget 	20 points
<p>The project meets one or more of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expands on current ag literacy efforts (additional grades, audiences, new subjects, etc.). • Enhances a new idea for consumer education. • Expands leadership development projects currently in place. 	15 points
<p>The project indicates how the chapter will be positively affected and how agricultural literacy has increased because of the project.</p>	15 points