

2015 California Special Interest License Plate (CalAgPlate)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. When are CalAgPlate Grant Proposals due?
Completed Grant Proposals must be submitted electronically to grants@cdfa.ca.gov by 5:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time on Monday, October 26, 2015.

2. Can an organization submit multiple Grant Proposals for more than one CalAgPlate grant?
Yes, an organization can apply for more than one CalAgPlate grant, but no more than three Grant Proposals from the same organization will be considered. Each submission should be for a wholly unique project.

What is the maximum grant duration for a CalAgPlate project?

CalAgPlate projects cannot exceed a period of 18 months, beginning January 1, 2016 and concluding on June, 30, 2017.

3. Who is eligible to apply for CalAgPlate funding?

Under Tier 1, eligibility is restricted to the California Future Farmers of America (FFA) Association; the non-profit that represents state adopted Agricultural Education Programs.

Under Tier 2, eligibility is restricted to non-profits organizations, state, local and Indian tribal government agencies within California that promote and administer agricultural education and leadership programs.

Universities are not eligible under CalAgPlate program.

4. Are organizations other than California FFA Association eligible for Tier 1 funding?

Yes, organizations other than California FFA Association are eligible for Tier 1 funding; however, organizations need to coordinate directly with the California FFA Association to be eligible. The California FFA can be contacted at (209) 744-1600 or by email at: kotto@californiaffa.org.

5. Are organizations that have previously been awarded 2014 CalAgPlate funds eligible to apply for 2015 CalAgPlate funds?

Yes, organizations previously awarded CalAgPlate funds are eligible to apply for 2015 CalAgPlate funds.

6. Can CalAgPlate funds be used to train agriculture educators?

Yes, CalAgPlate funding may support training of agriculture educators, under Tier 2 funding.

7. What is the definition of post-secondary and adult education?

For the purpose of the CalAgPlate Program, post-secondary and adult education includes but not limited to academies, colleges, and seminaries, institutes of technology, vocational schools, trade schools, and foundations.

8. Can CalAgPlate funds be used for a scholarship program?
No, CalAgPlate funds cannot be used to support, augment, or create scholarship programs.
9. Can CalAgPlate funds be used for technology costs?
Yes, technology costs may be allowable, if costs are necessary to accomplish CalAgPlate project goals and objectives.
10. Will recipients of CalAgPlate funds have to submit invoices to be reimbursed?
Yes, if awarded CalAgPlate recipients will be subject to all applicable State regulations and required to submit invoices with adequate documentation for expenditures at least quarterly, but no more frequently than monthly to seek reimbursement. Advance payments will not be provided.
11. Will recipients be required to submit progress reports throughout the grant duration?
No, progress reports are not required throughout the grant duration. However, recipients must submit a Final Performance Report at the end of the project that identifies milestones, goals, and objectives achieved, including quantifiable results, success stories, project delays or concerns and any other pertinent information.