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Homestead Livestock and Regenerative Ag Program

The Cass County Soil Conservation District (SCD) is excited to announce the Homestead Livestock and Regenerative Ag Program!

Who Can Apply?: Any resident of Cass County, North Dakota

What Does the Grant Cover?: A wide variety of conservation practices **including:**

- Fencing (Cross Fencing, Exclusion Fencing or Temporary Fencing)
- Watering Systems
- Pasture Establishment
- Cover Crop for Grazing
- Cover Crop for Gardening
- Tree and Shrub Planting for Livestock Protection
- Small Scale Composting
- Backyard Chicken Coop infrastructure
- High Tunnel
- Other practices subject to CCSCD Board review

When to Apply?: Applications are accepted on a continuous basis and are first come, first served

Where to Apply?: Applications can be found on our website casscd.org or picked up in the office

How Much Is Awarded: 60% of the cost of the project, up to **\$3,000**

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Specifications of the Homestead Livestock and Rengenerative Ag Program

Fencing: Exterior fencing is not eligible for cost-share. Only fencing that can moved (temporary electric netting, wire or other fencing that is portable). Exterior fencing of a pasture is not a practice that can be cost-shared. Approval is highly dependent on stocking rate and livestock species.

Watering Systems: Watering systems that are utilized to allow aftermath grazing on crop land or in conjunction with a rotational grazing system are allowed to be cost-shared. A primary watering device in a single pasture is an example of a practice that would not receive cost-share.

Pasture Establishment: Seeding of an approved seed mix in a pasture can be cost-shared. Overseeding of an existing pasture is allowed on a case-by-case basis and requires additional information for the District to make the determination.

Cover Crop for Grazing: Seeding of an approved cover crop mix, for grazing purposes, offers a great way to extend the grazing season. Timing of the seeding will be the determining factor for cost-share.

Cover Crop for Gardening: Seeding of an approved cover crop mix in a garden can be cost-shared. An approved seed mix and appropriate timing is the determing factor for cost-share.

Tree and Shrub Planting for Livestock Protection: The planting of trees and shrubs, appropriate for the soil conditions, in order to provide environmental protection for livestock is eligible for cost-share.

Small Scale Composting: A small-scale composting system, intended for personal use, is eligible for cost-share.

Backyard Chicken Coop: Infrastructure for backyard chicken coops are eligible for cost-share. The purchase of birds cannot be cost-shared, and all applicable regulations regarding the keeping of chickens in the applicant’s area must be followed in order to receive the funds.

High Tunnel: A commercially manufactured hoop house or high tunnel that protects plants from severe weather and allows the extension of the growing season is eligible for cost-share.

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All applications are subject to review by the employees of the Cass County Soil Conservation District as well as the Board of Supervisors. Monies awarded through the grant will be dispersed following the completion of the project. Valid documentation of purchases will need to be provided.

After submission of your application, you will receive a confirmation email of our receipt of your application. If a cost-share grant has been awarded, we will follow up with a cost- share contract and site visit. Once this contract and site visit process has been completed, we will begin to provide technical assistance to help guide you in the planning of your project. Although we provide multiple avenues of assistance; procurement of materials, installation, labor and maintenance work including all liabilities are the responsibility of the customer.

If your application is not funded, Cass County Soil Conservation District still offers free technical assistance for these and other conservation practices to all residents of Cass County, North Dakota.

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