



Report for the
**Tobacco Settlement Agreement Fund
Oversight Committee**

November 19, 2021

Meeting of the
Kentucky Agricultural Development Board

KADF Programs

Approved at the November 2021 KADB Meeting

CAIP

<u>County</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Funds Approved</u>
Robertson	Robertson County Soil Conservation District	10/08/2021	\$ 303,600.00
Owsley	Owsley County Conservation District	10/13/2021	\$ 155,000.00
Fleming	Fleming County Conservation District	10/22/2021	\$ 268,979.00
Rockcastle	Rockcastle County Conservation District	10/25/2021	\$ 168,173.00
Green	Green County Cattlemen's Association, Inc.	10/29/2021	\$ 300,000.00
5			\$ 1,195,752.00

Next Generation Farmer (NextGen)

<u>County</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Funds Approved</u>
Fleming	Fleming County Conservation District	10/22/2021	\$ 40,000.00
1			\$ 40,000.00

Shared-Use Equipment Program

<u>County</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Funds Approved</u>
Owsley	Owsley County Conservation District	10/13/2021	\$ 12,975.00
Monroe	Monroe County Conservation District	10/15/2021	\$ 61,875.00
Marion	Marion County Conservation District	10/27/2021	\$ 2,775.00
3			\$ 77,625.00

Youth Ag Incentives Program (Youth)

<u>County</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Funds Approved</u>
Fleming	Fleming County Conservation District	10/22/2021	\$ 25,000.00
1			\$ 25,000.00

Total County* KADF Approved for Programs:	\$1,338,377.00
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On-Farm Water SSG Projects Approved

APP #	APPLICANT	COUNTY	FUNDS REQUESTED
A2021-0229	Sustainable Harvest Farm LLC	Laurel	\$10,000.00
A2021-0235	Jillian Nash (Nash Farms)	Washington	\$5,029.50
Total State Funds Recommended for Approval:			\$15,029.50
# Awards: 2		# Counties: 2	

**The On-Farm Water Management Program provides funding to promote water resillience on farms. The Small Scale Grant (SSG) is for a private farm that wishes to implement bestmanagement practices for water management on the farm.*

Approved Project

Kentucky State Beekeepers Association**A2021-0231***Application County: _ALL**Date Submitted: 09/24/2021**Total Funds Awarded: \$57,550***FUNDING REQUEST**

The Kentucky State Beekeepers Association (KSBA) is requesting \$57,550 in State funds to help with the logistics of the Certified Kentucky Honey Program (CKHP).

APPLICATION SUMMARY

The Certified Kentucky Honey Program (CKHP) is the marketing program of the Kentucky State Beekeepers Association (KSBA), that started in 2019 with the support of the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund. This program was implemented to address the issues with adulterated and/or mislabeling of honey in Kentucky. Honey is currently the 3rd most adulterated commodity in the US (behind milk and olive oil) and there is no national quality standard. To address this, KSBA has three goals of this program: first, to educate consumers and promote the sale of local honey that is produced by the beekeepers of the KSBA and is a certified product of the state; second, to connect the CKHP beekeepers with consumers who desire to purchase certified local honey; and third, provide Kentucky beekeepers with education and support to grow their apiaries to supply more CKHP honey. These funds will also assist in the logistics of getting products from small scale producers to CKHP customers. KSBA lost significant outreach and branding opportunities in 2020/2021, CKHP is still in its infancy. The funds will help to establish the baseline branding and infrastructure, since COVID-19 limited marketing opportunities and sales. Due to financial limitations, the current Program Manager position is now part-time.

The total cost of the project is estimated \$81,300 with funding from the following sources:

\$57,550 State funds

\$ 23,800 KSBA Members In-Kind (Secured)

PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant estimates that 2,500 Beekeeper across Kentucky will benefit from this project.

Board Decision:

Kentucky State Beekeepers Association (KSBA) was approved for \$57,550 in state funds to help with the logistics of the Certified Kentucky Honey Program, the marketing program of the KSBA.



Kentucky Agricultural Development Board approves more than \$1.4 million for projects across the commonwealth

Funded projects focus on agricultural diversification, rural development

CORRECTED: Release is correct to include additional awarded projects

FRANKFORT (Nov. 19, 2021) – The Kentucky Agricultural Development Board approved \$1,410,957 for agricultural diversification and rural development projects across the commonwealth at its monthly board meeting.

State and County Funded Projects

- Kentucky State Beekeepers Association (KSBA) was approved for \$57,550 in state funds to help with the logistics of the Certified Kentucky Honey Program, the marketing program of the KSBA. For more information on the project contact, Thomas Ballinger at kyhunting@gmail.com.

On-Farm Water Program

On-Farm Water Management Program (OFWM) provides incentives for Land-Grant and Regional Universities, Non-Profits and Kentucky farm families to financially incentivize better water management practices across the commonwealth. Applicants may apply in one of three areas: Research, Development and Demonstration (RDD), Producer Implemented Project (PIP), or Small Scale Grant (SSG).

Two OFWM SSG grants were approved by the board totaling \$15,030:

- Sustainable Harvest Farm in Laurel County (\$10,000)
- Nash Farm in Washington County (\$5,030)

County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP)

CAIP provides Kentucky agricultural producers with cost-share assistance on practices to allow them to improve and diversify their current farm operations. CAIP covers a wide variety of agricultural enterprises in its 11 investment areas, including, but not limited to, bees and honey; equine; forage; beef and dairy cattle; goats and sheep; horticulture; poultry; swine; timber and technology, as well as energy efficiency and production; farm infrastructure and water enhancement; marketing; and value-added production.

Five CAIPs were approved by the board totaling \$1,195,752:

- Fleming (\$268,979)
- Green (\$300,000)
- Owsley (\$155,000)
- Robertson (\$303,600)
- Rockcastle (\$168,173)

Next Generation Farmer Program (NextGen)

NextGen addresses the growing need for a specialized program that would benefit producers ages 18 to 40 that have been engaged in an agricultural operation for a minimum of three years.

One NextGen Program was approved by the board totaling \$40,000:

- Fleming (\$40,000)

Shared-Use Equipment Program

The Shared-Use Equipment Program assists broad-based community organizations with the purchase of farm equipment. The equipment purchased is made available for producer use in a specific county on a leased basis.

Three Shared-Use programs were approved by the board totaling \$77,625:

- Marion (\$2,775)
- Monroe (\$61,875)
- Owsley (\$12,975)

Youth Agricultural Incentives Program (YAIP)

YAIP encourages youth to engage in and explore agricultural opportunities.

One YAIP was approved by the board totaling \$25,000:

- Fleming (\$25,000)

All application periods and deadlines for CAIP, NextGen, and Youth and leasing information for Shared-Use programs will be advertised locally.

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