

# Agroforestry Funding Sources

## FOREST FARMING, ALLEY CROPPING, SILVOPASTURE

### USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Cost-Share Programs\*

*\*USDA NRCS cost-share and loan eligibility vary by agroforestry practice and by state*

*WV eligibility: alley cropping, multi-story cropping (i.e. forest farming), and silvopasture*

*OH eligibility: alley cropping and multi-story cropping (i.e. forest farming)*

*VA and NC eligibility: alley cropping and silvopasture*

*TN and KY eligibility: silvopasture only*

### Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP):

Provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers to address natural resource concerns and deliver environmental benefits. Funding options are planned based on addressing the resource concerns specific to that farm operation within the context of the state practice standard.

**How to Apply:** Download and complete the [EQIP application form](#).

Find and contact your local NRCS agent based on your location [here](#).

### Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP):

Helps agricultural producers maintain and improve their existing conservation systems and adopt additional conservation practices to address priority resources concerns.

Funding for establishing and improving wildlife habitat and other environmental factors.

**How to Apply:** Find and contact your local NRCS agent based on your location [here](#).



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## USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Loans\*

### Direct Farm Operating Loan:

For costs associated with improving profitability (ex: purchasing livestock, equipment, grain, enhancing conservation). Loan max: \$400,000.

**How to Apply:** [Loan application form and instructions here.](#)

### Gaurenteed Farm Loan:

**Farm Ownership Loans:** may be used to purchase farmland, construct or repair buildings, develop farmland to promote soil and water conservation.

**Conservation Loans:** for implementing conservation practices approved by the USDA's NRCS, such as reducing soil erosion, improving water quality, and promoting sustainable practices. Farm Ownership and Conservation loan max: \$1,776,000.

**How to Apply:** [Locate loan lender here.](#)

# COMMUNITY FOOD FORESTS

## Nationwide Grant Opportunities

### Fruit Tree Planting Foundation (FTPF):

International nonprofit charity dedicated to planting fruitful trees and plants to alleviate world hunger, combat global warming, strengthen communities, and improve the surrounding air, soil, and water. Can cover fruit tree costs for public food forests.

**How to Apply:** Application found [here](#)

### National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council (NUCFAC):

Offer a grant every few years that can fund food forest work.

**How to Apply:** Check for grants on their website found [here.](#)

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