FARM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many small farmers need financial assistance. Below are a few government and non-government resources for farmers in need.

Government Resources

• **U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development**
  A new document – USDA Rural Development COVID-19 Resources – includes resources for families in single and multi-unit housing and for rural businesses, including farms. Information on loan payment deferrals is also included.

• **Small Business Administration**
  The SBA offers an Economic Injury Disaster Advance Loan, which does not have to be paid back.

Non-Government Resources

• **American Farmland Trust**
  The trust has launched a Farmer Relief Fund that supports farmers with annual gross revenue from $10,000 to $1 million from sales at farmers markets
and/or direct sales to restaurants, caterers, schools, stores, or to businesses that use farm products as inputs.

- **Rural Advancement Foundation International**
  RAFI-USA is offering [Emergency Relief Mini-Grants](#) to farmers who have been drastically impacted by market sales disruptions.

- **Food Animal Concerns Trust**
  FACT maintains a [COVID-19 Resources for Farmers webpage](#).

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