



Friends of the Farm: Now Accepting FY26 Applications

Join the AzFBN Friends of the Farm (FoF) Program!

This farm-to-food bank program helps Arizona's small growers and farmers by purchasing Arizona-grown fruits, vegetables, dairy, eggs, and meat for distribution throughout AzFBN's map of food banks and pantries.

The onboarding process typically takes a few weeks, with an estimated start date at least 2 months post submission of your proposal. *Applications are accepted on a rolling basis, so there is no deadline to apply.*

Step 1: Complete the Producer Interest Form

Click here for: [Producer Interest Form](#)

Step 2: Submit your Proposal

Click here for: [Template](#) | [Guide](#)

Step 3: Complete a Food Safety Plan

Click here for: [Template](#) | [Guide](#)

Step 4: Schedule a 1-on-1 Introductory Call

Meet with the Friends of the Farm Manager, Erica Uhl, to discuss your application and options. You may schedule this call before submitting your Proposal and Food Safety Plan if desired.

Choose either:

- Quick Touch Base ([click here](#)) (30 min): Perfect for a brief check-in or if you just have a few questions
- In-Depth Discussion ([click here](#)) (60 min): Best if you need an overview of the FoF Program or more time to discuss details of your application, or need assistance completing it.





Step 5: Application Review and Grower's Agreement

AzFBN will:

1. Determine your eligibility for the Friends of the Farm program
2. Speak with our food bank partners to see if they need the products you're offering
3. Identify potential delivery location(s)
4. Ensure the approved budget is equitable and in line with other producers, community need, and balance of the overall budget

Step 6: Grower's Agreement Review

When we have your agreement ready to go, we'll schedule a call with you to discuss it. Together we can address any concerns or modifications you'd like to see.

Have modifications? The agreement will go back to the AzFBN team for review and approval, which can take 1-2 weeks.

Step 7: Finalize and Execute Grower's Agreement

The final draft of your Agreement will be shared with you to review, sign, and return. After that's done, AzFBN will provide all additional information about delivery expectations and payment process, and work with you to get things scheduled.

For more information, please contact AzFBN and ask for the Friends of the Farm Manager
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