

Applying for a safety grant

To be considered for a safety grant, farmers must:

- submit a signed, completed application;
- attach all required documents; and
- have sufficient funds to cover all estimated project costs.

Applications are accepted continuously and are reviewed every two months.

Grant funding may be used for the cost of:

- initial equipment purchase to meet on-site safety survey recommendations; and
- equipment installation, training, operation or maintenance.

Grant recipients must complete their project within 120 days of signing the last contract. Money should not be spent before the grant contracts are signed.

The Safety Grant Program application and further information are online at www.dli.mn.gov.

This material can be provided in alternative formats (audio, Braille or large print) by calling 651-284-5060 or 800-342-5354.

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Free assistance for farms and small businesses

Workplace Safety Consultation (WSC) provides free voluntary and confidential workplace safety and health assistance to Minnesota businesses, with a priority for farms and small businesses.

WSC provides a wide variety of free services, including on-site safety surveys, training, education and outreach. Services are provided by safety and health experts who are highly qualified occupational safety and health professionals.

WSC services are completely separate from Minnesota OSHA Compliance. No citations or fines are issued, provided the employer agrees to correct all serious hazards identified by Workplace Safety Consultation.

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SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM





About the Safety Grant Program

The Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry's Safety Grants Program awards a dollar-for-dollar match up to \$10,000 to qualifying employers or farmers for projects designed to reduce the risk of injury or illness to their employees.

To qualify, employers or farmers must:

- supervise at least one employee;
- have current workers' compensation insurance coverage; and
- have an on-site safety survey conducted that results in recommended equipment or practices that will reduce the risk of injury or illness to employees.

Priority

Grants will be awarded based on need. Priority will be given to projects that support jobs in farm production, processing or manufacturing.

Other terms

- Farmers who have received a grant for a particular farm are not eligible to receive another grant for that farm for two years after the date of the award.
- Current safety hazards must be taken care of as required by law whether or not your grant application is approved.

Criteria

Grants will be awarded based on:

- consistency with on-site safety survey recommendations;
- feasibility of completion;
- the greatest potential to reduce risk, injury or illness to employees;
- availability of employer funds to cover estimated project costs; and
- compliance with federal, state and local regulations.

