

2012 Value Added/Regional Food System Grant Proposal Evaluation Sheet

Name of Community: _____

MDARD Project Number: _____ Amount of Grant Request: _____

Name of Reviewer: _____

PROPOSAL GRADING CRITERIA

Please rate the following areas using the following 5 point scale: Low: 1-2 Average: 3-4 High: 5

1. Project Purpose	Maximum Points Possible	Points Received
How well does the applicant define the need for and the purpose of the project?	5	
Rate the achievability of the project.	5	
Rate the level of the project's timeliness and importance.	5	
2. Potential Impact		
How effective will the project be at enhancing the utilization of Michigan grown products sector in the community/region.	5	
Rate the positive impact this project will have for the food and agribusiness sector in their community/region.	5	
Assess the ability of the project to have an impact within the next five years.	5	
How likely is this project to have an impact on positively impacting the overall health and wellbeing of the community/region.	5	
3. Expected Measurable Outcomes		
How well does the measurable outcome support the project's purpose?	5	
Rate the level of attainability of the measurable outcomes.	5	
How effective is the method of evaluation of the project?	5	
4. Work Plan		
How well do the activities relate to the objectives and goals?	5	
How well do the activities match the needs or problems that are being addressed?	5	
Rate the appropriateness of the key activities.	5	
5. Budget		
Rate the reasonableness of the requested budget and individual line items.	5	
Rate the expected benefits commensurate with the total investment.	5	
6. Sustainability		
Rate the level of lasting benefits after the end of the project.	5	
Is the project sustainable after the grant dollars?	5	
7. Additional Information		
Rate the level of support this project demonstrates; is the community actively involved or have they pledged their support of the project's goals?	5	

Rate the community involvement in the project.	5	
Rate the degree of proposed project innovation including use of novel methods and approaches.	5	
SUB-TOTAL	100	
BONUS: Does the project create or retain jobs or additional community investment?	5	
BONUS: Is the proposal part of a multi-component (multiple funding sources) project? This would include other state/federal/local funding sources and collaboration.	5	
TOTAL	Possible 110	

STRENGTHS / WEAKNESSES

What are some of the strengths and/or weaknesses of this proposal?

COMMENTS

Please provide any additional comments, questions, or concerns you have regarding this project.
