

2023 Value Added Grant Recipients

Applicant	Project Title	Amount Awarded
Steve & Laura 2, LLC dba DeVries Meats	Purchase automated slaughter floor equipment to increase the capacity of pigs harvested per hour.	\$100,000
Dennis Dairy Farms, LLC dba Dennis Farms Fresh	Dennis Farms Fresh expansion of egg, beef, and chicken production.	\$31,000
Top Hops LLC	Improving the processing capacity and the product quality of a hop pelletizing line.	\$21,000
Valley Farms LLC	Carrot Polisher acquisition for Valley Farms to increase carrot production by 15% to 17,250 tons	\$100,000
Michigan Farm to Freezer	Establish Michigan Farm to Freezer Production Facility in Grand Rapids	\$100,000
Field la Femme, LLC (Farm Club)	Processing Kitchen and Farm Market Expansion: Produce Preservation, Bakery, Grain Mill, Pasta and Tortilla Production.	\$100,000
Community Foundation for Muskegon County	Community Foundation for Muskegon County (CFMC) Food, Agriculture, Research, and Manufacturing (FARM) Equipment and Refrigeration Capacity Expansion	70,000
Lazy Ballerina Winery, LLC	Lazy Ballerina Winery Production Expansion to Process Michigan Grapes and Fruit	\$40,000
Rowlands Family Farm LLC	Expansion of business to provide more products and increase customer base	\$23,099
Lake Superior Oil & Vinegar, LLC	Lake Superior Oil & Vinegar Improved Production Capability	\$25,300
Lake Effect Distillery	Increasing Utilization of Upper Peninsula Grown Grains via the Addition of Onsite Grain Handling, Storage, and Milling Capacity at Lake Effect Distillery.	\$100,000

Shady Side Farm, Inc	West Michigan Specialty Grain and Dry Bean Processing Project	\$30,000
Flatwater Farms LLC	Increasing access to fresh organic produce through season extension growing that utilizes efficient farming methods.	\$74,000
Dutton Farm Inc.	To provide fresh produce access to adults with developmental disabilities who also live below the poverty line.	\$100,000
BS Slaughter House LLC	BS Slaughter House Equipment for Value-Added Beef and Pork Slaughter	\$95,023
Brinks Family Creamery, LLC	Spreading to new markets	\$78,700
Request Foods Inc	Ready to Eat Soup Production Line Investment	\$100,000
Anavery Fine Foods	Egg processing and packaging facility in Grand Traverse County for Anavery Fine Foods.	\$59,600
Kids Food Basket	Promoting Food Security and Building Healthy Food Systems across West Michigan	\$100,000
Tim Campbell Farm LLC	Tim Campbell Farm Vegetable Packaging Line	\$100,000
Myrtle & Maude's LLC	Expanding Value Added Product Accessibility in Northern Michigan	\$99,300
Zingerman's Creamery LLC	Construction of a receiving garage with running water and upgrading to hard-line plumbing.	\$100,000
St. Julian Wine Co., Inc.	Quality & Efficiency Upgrade Through the Addition of A Premium Wine Centrifuge	\$100,000
Swanson Grading & Brining, Inc.	Producer of Pickling Cucumbers to Expand into Finished Pickle Production	\$75,000
Total		\$1,822,022