



JEFFERSON COUNTY
 COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
 EXTENSION



Farmer/Rancher Application

2018 Metro Area Building Farmers Program

Due Date: December 20, 2017 revised to January 1, 2018

(See last page for delivery instructions)

Please **handwrite legibly or type into fields and email.**

Name:(as you want on your certificate:

Name you go by: _____

Farm Enterprise Name (if applicable):

Complete Address:

County: _____

Email:

Home Phone: _____

Cell phone: _____

Please answer the following questions in as much detail as possible in only the category you have selected. Please use additional paper if necessary.

Please select the category you best fit currently

New Farmer/Rancher is defined as

An individual who has gardened/farmed on less than 1/4 acre (10,890 square feet) and/or has less than 1-year experience as sole operator and/or intern/apprentice level experience

only (large garden or on-farm or ranch), or a landowner with the intention of actively farming or ranching for profit. OR An individual who is in the dreaming/planning phase of your farming career. For those of you in that category, please list any familial, volunteer or paid farming experience you may have.

Intermediate Farmer/Rancher is defined as:

Production and/or marketing manager or sole operator on a vegetable/fruit/flower/herb/livestock operation greater than 1/4 acre (10,890 sq. ft) for less than 3 years.

Experienced Farmer/Rancher is defined as:

Production and/or marketing manager or sole operator on a vegetable/fruit/flower/herb/livestock operation greater than 1/4 acre for greater than 3 years.

I consider myself to be a:

New Farmer/Rancher _____

Intermediate Farmer/Rancher _____

Experienced Farmer/Rancher _____

NOTE: *The review committee reserves the right to change experience designation to new farmer if insufficient information is presented in this application to support the definition of your farm experience in a commercial operation.*

1. Describe your experience working in horticulture/agriculture. Include scope of operation/garden, number of acres/square feet, your role(s) in the operation, and number of years.

2. (A) Why are you applying to the Building Farmers Program?

6. Given that farming/ranching is very stressful, both physically and mentally, describe the hardest job you have ever had and describe why it challenged you.

7. Tell us something interesting about yourself. (i.e. are you currently working? Working in a farm enterprise full or part-time? Why you are passionate about farming.)

8. As we are building community within this class itself, tell us something that you feel you bring to the table that you could offer fellow classmates – Remember that we will be having networking and social time during meals.

If you are accepted into the program you will receive a pre-course survey electronically that will help us evaluate impacts of the program and understand what you would like to learn in the Building Farmers Program. Please look for and return this pre-course survey in a timely manner. In addition, you will receive a class specific outline with learning objectives and instructors for each week as well as class location, required texts and class materials for each week.

Submission of Application

FEES: **New and Intermediate Farmers and Ranchers** - \$350 for all 10 sessions includes meals. (\$500 for 2 representing one enterprise with only one set of materials provided)

Experienced Farmers and Ranchers - \$200 for all 10 sessions

Fees are not pro-rated for inability to attend class

Class size is limited. Early applications will be given priority.

Mail this application form,
and check for FULL REGISTRATION FEE to “Jefferson County Treasurer” to:

Patti O’Neal
Metro Area Building Farmers Program
15200 W. 6th Ave. Pkwy. Unit C
Golden, CO 80003

-or-

Email this completed form to:

Patti O’Neal
poneal@jeffco.us

Payment can be made by credit card over the phone to
the front desk at 303-271-6620

Have you included:

- Application Form**
- Check payable to “Jefferson County Treasurer”**

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