



## **AgrAbility National Training Workshop Farmer/Rancher Travel Stipend Application**

The National AgrAbility Project is pleased to offer a limited number of travel stipends to farmers, ranchers, and other agricultural workers with disabilities,<sup>1</sup> and their spouses/caregivers (when applicable), to attend the 2019 National Training Workshop (NTW), scheduled for **March 25-28, 2019**. **Applications are due by February 7, 2019.**

All funds must be used exclusively for costs of attending the NTW, including:

- Cost of NTW registration for Farmers/Ranchers with disabilities
- NTW sponsored hotel accommodations up to 4 nights— March 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>st</sup> (fourth night can be *either* March 24<sup>th</sup> or March 28<sup>th</sup>) at the Embassy Suites – Downtown Lincoln, Nebraska (\$94/night, plus taxes & fees)
  - **NOTE:** While we have 9 accessible rooms reserved at the Embassy Suites, it is possible that these may be booked by the time stipends are announced. Therefore, stipend recipients needing accessible rooms may be asked to stay at The Graduate (\$94/night plus taxes & fees), which is less than ½ mile away from the conference hotel.
- Approved travel (airfare and transportation to/from airports, OR if driving, mileage reimbursement at the 2019 IRS standard mileage rate roundtrip to and from the NTW – up to \$400 total – based on MapQuest mileage.)

Registration and hotel accommodations (excluding incidentals) will be paid directly by the National AgrAbility Project. Airfare (if required) and mileage will be reimbursed to participants *AFTER the NTW*. Original receipts MUST be presented for reimbursement of each expense claimed.

Actual stipend amounts will be determined by the number of applications received and the amount of sponsorship funds available to the National AgrAbility Project. Full or partial stipends may be awarded. For consideration, applicants should be seeking a participatory role in either the NTW or state/regional activities. More than one applicant may apply per state. **Priority will be given to first-time applicants.**

---

<sup>1</sup> Both AgrAbility customers and farmers/ranchers from states not currently served by AgrAbility projects are invited to apply for scholarship funds.

To apply for a 2019 NTW Farmer/Rancher Travel Stipend, please complete all information on the application form that is enclosed (see below if receiving this by email). It is important that you print or type your information neatly so that it is legible. Applications must be received **no later than February 7, 2019**. Mail to:

**Abigail Jensen**

AgrAbility of Wisconsin

National AgrAbility Training Workshop Stipend Committee

460 Henry Mall

Madison, WI 53706

Applications can also be faxed to (608) 262-1228 or scanned and emailed to Abigail [ajensen6@wisc.edu](mailto:ajensen6@wisc.edu)

**PLEASE NOTE: Once you have filled out the application/registration form below, do NOT register for the NTW on the AgrAbility website. NAP staff will contact you concerning your stipend application and will provide any further instructions as necessary. **ALSO – it is recommended that you call the Embassy Suites Downtown-Lincoln at 402-474-1111 and make your room reservation as soon as possible – even before you know if you will receive a stipend – since the room block may fill up fast. Use the block code “AAN”, and let them know if you need an ADA room. If you do not receive a stipend, you will have the option of cancelling your room reservation or paying for your own stay.****

The NAP will transfer your reservation to the NAP bill if you receive a stipend or will notify you if you do not receive one. If all ADA rooms at the Embassy Suites are booked, please contact Tess McKeel at [tmckeel@goodwillfingerlakes.org](mailto:tmckeel@goodwillfingerlakes.org) or by phone at 585-447-9015 (Office) or 585-953-8430 (Cell) and she will find you accommodations.

If you have any questions regarding the stipends, please contact Abigail Jensen at (608) 262-9336 or by email at [ajensen6@wisc.edu](mailto:ajensen6@wisc.edu) .

### Applicant Information

<i>Last Name, First Name:</i>	<i>Email:</i>
<i>Street Address:</i>	<i>Home Phone Number:</i>
<i>City:</i> <i>State/ Zip Code:</i>	<i>Work or Cellular Phone Number:</i>
<i>Do you need accessible transportation to/from airport?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <i>Do you need accessible transportation for Thurs. tours?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<i>Do you need an accessible hotel room?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <i>Do you need a roll-in shower?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>What other special accommodations, if any, do you require? (Special diet, large print, ASL interpreter, etc.)</i>	<i>Best Method and Time to be Reached:</i>

### Spouse/Caregiver Information *(If applying for stipend)*

<i>Last Name, First Name:</i>	<i>Email:</i>
<i>Street Address:</i>	<i>Home Phone Number:</i>
<i>City:</i> <i>State/ Zip Code:</i>	<i>Work or Cellular Phone Number:</i>
<i>Do you need accessible transportation to/from airport?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <i>Do you need accessible transportation for Thurs. tours?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<i>Do you need an accessible hotel room?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <i>Do you need a roll-in shower?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>What other special accommodations, if any, do you require? (Special diet, large print, ASL interpreter, etc.)</i>	<i>Best Method and Time to be Reached:</i>

## Budgeted Expenses

Please estimate the following cost for attendance, including spouse/caregiver if required. Note: The awarded stipend may, or may not, cover entire budgeted amounts.

Item	Maximum Allowance	Projected Costs
Registration	\$325/person	\$ _____
Hotel	\$109.74 allowance per room per night, based on double occupancy. 4 nights maximum (March 25, 26, 27, fourth night can <i>either</i> be March 24 or March 28)	\$ _____
Transportation: Driving	\$0.58 per mile <b>roundtrip</b> (max \$400- may include mileage to/from local airport) Roundtrip miles _____ x \$0.58/mi.	\$ _____
Transportation: Airfare	Roundtrip coach/economy	\$ _____ Farmer/rancher  \$ _____ Spouse/caregiver
Taxi/Shuttle	To/from local airport(s)	\$ _____
Airline baggage fees	\$60 per person maximum	\$ _____ Farmer/rancher  \$ _____ Spouse/caregiver
Airport parking (economy lot)	\$45 maximum	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL REQUESTED</b>	\$ _____	
<p><b>Please only ask for the amount you need so that we can provide stipends to as many people as possible. If you are able to pay for part of your travel or have a local business (Farm Bureau, implement dealer, etc.) who can help sponsor your attendance, please note that. We appreciate your help and support in this.</b></p>		

**1. Why do you want to attend the National AgrAbility Training Workshop?**

---

---

---

**2. Have you attended the National AgrAbility Training Workshop before? If so, when and did you participate in any of the sessions as a speaker or part of a farmer's panel?**

---

---

**3. How do you plan to use/share the knowledge gained by attending the National AgrAbility Training Workshop?**

---

---

---

**4. Are you currently involved in a state/regional AgrAbility project? How do you serve your state/regional AgrAbility project?**

---

---

---

**5. Additional comments you would like the committee to consider:**

---

---

**OPTIONAL for demographic purposes<sup>2</sup>**

- I am a veteran of or currently serving in the U. S. Military

I identify with the following race/ethnicity:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Caucasian          | <input type="radio"/> Native American           |
| <input type="radio"/> African American   | <input type="radio"/> Asian or Pacific Islander |
| <input type="radio"/> Hispanic or Latino | <input type="radio"/> Other _____               |
| <input type="radio"/> Eskimo or Aleut    |   |

---

<sup>2</sup> Questions about veteran status and race/ethnicity will be used solely for aggregated summaries of conference attendance. Participant names are not reported. Submission of this information by you is voluntary.

Stipend recipients will be announced no later than February 22.

---

Applicant's Signature

Date

---

Applicant's Printed Name

**State/Regional AgrAbility Project Information (for applicants living in states with AgrAbility Projects)**

<i>State/Regional AgrAbility Project:</i>	<i>Sponsoring AgrAbility Staff Member:</i>
<i>Primary or alternate/secondary applicant?</i>	<i>Sponsoring AgrAbility Staff Email:</i>

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO THE NEXT PAGE AND COMPLETE THE NTW REGISTRATION FORM**

## MONDAY, MARCH 25 1- 4pm PRE-CONFERENCE SESSIONS

### New Staff Training

This session gives an overview of the AgrAbility Program for new staff members or those wanting a refresher. Some topics covered include a perspective from the USDA, the role of the National Project, resources available, evaluation procedures, and sources of help inside and outside AgrAbility. Participants will also have opportunities to network with one another, NAP staff members, and USDA contacts.

### Worksite Assessment, Secondary Injury and AT Selection Training

This preconference professional development session will explore the process of conducting an agricultural worksite assessment, the potential for secondary injuries when using assistive technology on the farm, the selection of AT and modifications, and sources of AT and modifications. The session will cover the contents of the latest draft of the updated Agricultural Worksite Assessment Tool for Farmers and Ranchers with Disabilities. The fee for this session is \$25.00

### Mental Health First Aid Training

This 8-hour training course is designed to give you key skills to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or is experiencing a mental health crisis. Mental Health First Aid training helps a layperson to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental health illnesses and addictions. The fee for this session is \$60.00

## MONDAY, MARCH 25 1-4:30 pm PRE-CONFERENCE TOURS

### OPTION 1- Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital

Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital is one of the nation's foremost providers for medical and physical rehabilitation for adults and children. Madonna specializes in complex medical, traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury, pulmonary conditions, severe stroke, other neurological conditions and pediatric rehabilitation. \$25 Fee

### OPTION 2- UNL East Campus

You will visit three places on the UNL East Campus- The Bee Lab, Backyard Farmer and the Dairy Store. Learn about the research being done for bees, topics from insect pests and disease, turf, and fruits and vegetables, as well as landscape design and general horticulture topics, and learn how cheese and ice cream is made at UNL's onsite dairy plant. \$25 fee

## HOTEL INFORMATION

*Hotel Rooms have been blocked at the rate of \$94 per night. Please make your reservations prior to March 3rd!*

**Conference Hotel: Embassy Suites Downtown Lincoln**

**To call for reservations:** 402-474-1111 and request group code "AAN" when booking.

### **For additional accessible rooms:**

**Contact Tess McKeel:** 585-447-9015 we have additional accessible rooms reserved at The Graduate.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 28 7:30 am- 5 pm CONFERENCE TOURS (subject to change)

### OPTION 1 (Full Day Tour)

7:45am-4:30 pm

**Robinette Farms, Rock Creek Aquaculture, Aaron Bock Farm, and Boiler Brewing Company:** On the tour you will visit AgrAbility clients with cattle, shrimp, chickens, and vegetable production. The tour's final stop will be a craft brewery.

### OPTION 2 (Full Day Tour)

7:30am-5:00pm

**Davey Road Ranch, Grow with the Flow, Jones Produce, and ShadowBrook Farm:** On the tour you will experience, dairy, meat and cheese production, aquaponics for flowers, high tunnels for year-round vegetables, pigs, goats and a creamery.

### OPTION 3 (Full Day Tour)

7:30am-5:00pm

**Barreras Family Farm, HETRA, Midwest Hop Producers and Kimmel Orchards:** On the tour you will visit veteran owned businesses including cattle, hogs, chickens, ducks, equestrian therapy, hops, and an orchard.

### OPTION 4 (Full Day Tour with ½ day drop off)

7:45am-5:00 pm

**UNL Innovation Campus, Big Red Worms, Ficke Cattle, and Anchor Meadow Farms:** On this tour you will visit the Food Innovation Center, the Greenhouse Innovation Center, the Biotech Connector and the Innovations Connector on UNL Campus. There will be a 12:45 drop off after having lunch on campus. You will then tour worm composting, and AgrAbility client, veteran owned cattle, bees, and hogs.

### OPTION 5 (Full Day Tour)

7:30am-5:00pm

**Raising Nebraska at Fonner Park, Crane Meadows Visitors Center and Gary Bader & Sons Feed yard:** You will experience interactive exhibits at Raising Nebraska and visit an AgrAbility client owned Feed yard.

## CONFERENCE REFUND POLICY

Full refunds are available before March 15. After that date, a \$100 processing fee will be charged on all refunds. Please contact Tess McKeel at (585) 447-9015 with any questions.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

For information about the conference content, contact:  
Tess McKeel: 585.447.9015 [tmckeel@goodwillfingerlakes.org](mailto:tmckeel@goodwillfingerlakes.org)  
JoBeth Rath: 585.402.2059 [jbrath@goodwillfingerlakes.org](mailto:jbrath@goodwillfingerlakes.org)



# AgrAbility National Training Workshop

March 25-28, 2019 • Early registration discounts if registered by March 2<sup>nd</sup>!

REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 20th • NO ONSITE REGISTRATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ This is my  home  work address.

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail (required) \_\_\_\_\_ This is my  work  home email Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Purdue is committed to making its programs accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you require an accommodation or special assistance for this program due to a disability, please contact us at 585-447-9015.

## Fees

- I will be attending a pre-conference session (select one below):
  - New Staff Training – NOFEE
  - Worksite Assessment, Secondary injury and AT Selection – \$25
  - Mental Health First Aid class- \$60
  - Tour of the Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital-\$25
  - Tour of the UNL East Campus- \$25
- Early Registration Fee –Does not include tours (on or before March 5) – \$400
- Late Registration Fee- Does not include tours (after March 5) – \$450
- Registration Fee - Farmer/Rancher-Does not include tours – \$325
- Registration Fee–Student- Does not include tours –\$200
- One-Day Registration Tuesday – \$225
- One Day Registration Wednesday without banquet- \$225
- One-Day Registration Wednesday with banquet- \$275
- One-Day Farmer/Rancher Tuesday – \$100
- One Day Farmer/Rancher Wed without banquet-\$100
- One-Day Farmer/Rancher Wednesday with banquet-\$150
- One-Day Student Tuesday – \$75
- One Day Student Wednesday without banquet- \$75
- One-Day Student Wednesday with banquet- \$125
- Wednesday Evening Guest Banquet Only – \$55
- Thursday tour fee- \$50
- Guest Thursday Tour Fee for those attending with full conference participant-\$50\$
  - Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_
  - Tour Selection \_\_\_\_\_
- Commercial Exhibitor Fee - \$700- includes registration for 1 person, not tours
- Non-Profit Exhibitor Fee – \$600- includes registration for 1 person, not tours

- I request the following accommodations: \_\_\_\_\_
- I require accessible transportation.
- I have the following dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_
- I am interested in participating as a conference vendor. Please contact me.
- I will be attending the reception on Monday, March 25th at 4:30 pm
- I will be attending the following tour on Thursday (*check one*):
  - Tour #1                       Tour #4
  - Tour #2                       Tour #5
  - Tour #3                       I will not be attending a tour

### OPTIONAL for demographic purposes <sup>3</sup>

- I am a veteran of or currently serving in the U. S. Military

I identify with the following race/ethnicity:

- Caucasian                       Native American
- African American               Asian or Pacific Islander
- Hispanic or Latino               Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Eskimo or Aleut

<sup>3</sup>Questions about veteran status and race/ethnicity will be used solely for aggregated summaries of conference attendance. Participant names are not reported. Submission of this information by you is voluntary.