

Sustainable and Inclusive Belize Program

Application Form for Individual Farmers

The Ministry of Agriculture, Food Security and New Growth Industries (MAFS-NGI) in partnership with the Ministry of Finance (MOF) invite interested small farmers to apply for the “**Sustainable and Inclusive Belize Program**”. Small farmers producing between 0.5 and 20 acres, once approved, will receive technical assistance and capacity building for two years in the application of sustainable agricultural and environmental practices and the adoption of climate smart technologies.

The program will provide financial assistance in the form of Green Innovation Vouchers through the co-financing of small producers for the implementation of viable farm plans. Vouchers will cover up to 85% of the approved cost of the farm plan. The farmers’ contributions will be no less than 15% monetary or in-kind.

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Farmers **MUST** be registered in the Belize Agriculture Information Management Systems (BAIMS) of MAFS-NGI or willing to register prior to applying.
- Individual small farmers with 0.5 acres to 20 acres of land **IN PRODUCTION**.
- **MUST** have a farm in operation for no less than 12 months.
- Farmer producing one or more of the priority commodities of MAFS-NGI, except the traditional commodities (Banana, Sugarcane and Citrus)
- Farmer **MUST** be able to present proof of land tenure (property title, possession right, Valid lease land, community, or collective land)
- Proven ability to provide minimum of 15% of the total cost of Farm plan in cash or in-kind contributions.

IF YOU COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS, PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS TO APPLY:

A. SMALL FARMER PROFILE

1. Complete Name based on Valid ID (Social Security, Voter’s ID or Passport No.): (Attach Copy)		
2. Contact Number: Alternative Contact:		3. ID Number:
4. Email Address (optional):		5. Nationality:
6. Language:		7. District <input type="checkbox"/> Corozal <input type="checkbox"/> Orange Walk <input type="checkbox"/> Belize <input type="checkbox"/> Cayo <input type="checkbox"/> Stann Creek <input type="checkbox"/> Toledo
8. Type of Farm <input type="checkbox"/> Crops <input type="checkbox"/> Livestock <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed	9. BAIMS ID #	10. Farm Address:



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11. Age Range

- 16-30 31-45 46-59 60 or more

12. Ethnicity

- Mestizo Maya East-Indian Garifuna Mennonite Creole Other-Specify: _____

13. Gender

- Male Female Other

14. Education Level

- University Graduate High school Primary School Vocational (skilled or un-skilled) None

15. Marital Status

- Single Married Divorced Widow Common Law

16. Number of Children

- None 1-2 3-4 5 or more

17. Number of children under the age of 18

- None 1-2 3-4 5 or more

18. Are you a member of a Cooperative, Unregistered group or Association?

- No Yes, if yes provide name: _____

B. PROFILE OF YOUR FARM

19. Size of your farm in acres (SPECIFY THE NUMBER OF ACRES IN PRODUCTION)

20. Land Tenure (Attach copy)

- Property Title
 Lease
 Possessory Right (Legal right to use or occupy the land, granted and maintained)
 Right to communal or collective use of the land.



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21. Commodities in production (Specify for the last 12 months):

Crop Type	Quantities produced	Describe main buyer(s) (Type of buyer: Cooperative, local vendor, agro-processor, Retailer, Food vendor, resort, restaurant)	Regular buyer? (yes or no)

Livestock Type	Quantities produced	Describe main buyer(s) (Type of buyers: Cooperative, local vendor, agro-processor, Retailer, Food vendor, resort, restaurant)	Regular buyer (yes or no)



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22. Indicate the water source of your farm (indicate if rain fed).

23. Indicate the actual status of your farm ***Choose options that apply**

- In operation for less than 12 months (Specify Number of Months) _____
- In operation between 12 and 36 months (about 3 years)
- In operation between 36 and 48 months (about 4 years)
- In operation for more than 5 years

24. Type of farming practice

- Commercial farming (*Farming for profit*)
- Industrial (*Large Scale Farming*)
- Mixed System (*Livestock and Crops*)
- Subsistence farming (*Farming for family use only*)
- Other Specify _____

25. Have you received any training in the past 12 months? ***If your answer is YES, go to question 26. If your answer is NO, go to question 27.**

- No Yes



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26. YES, please specify.

27. Indicate your average annual farm sales (BZE). *Choose only one option.

- \$0.00
 Less than \$1,000.00
 between \$ 1,001.00 - \$ 3,000.00
 between \$3,001.00 - \$5,714.00
 \$5,715.00 or more
 I do not keep track

28. Indicate the number of people employed on your farm

- 1-2 employees
 3-5 employees
 6-10 employees
 More than 10
 0 employees

Full Time		Part Time	
Male	Female	Male	Female

29. Indicate how the SAIB grant funds will be used and how it will improve your production. (Promoting farming methods that are climate-friendly and sustainable.