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US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Block Grant Application

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Section 1 – Applicant Information

Conservation ID (if known)		Social Security Number		
First Name	MI	Last Name	Date of Birth	Daytime Phone Number
Evening Phone Number	Email Address			
Mailing Address			City	State
				Zip Code

Business Information

Business Name	Business Phone Number	FEIN (Federal Employer Identification Number)		
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip Code

Section 2 – Applicant Eligibility, Self-Certification and Assurances

The 2021 Seafood Processors Pandemic Response and Safety (SPRS) Block Grant Program, part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, signed into law on December 27, 2020, authorized the U.S. Secretary of Commerce to provide \$50 million to eligible state agencies to provide relief to seafood dealers and seafood processors. To qualify for SPRS reimbursement, applicants must participate in a CT based seafood dealing/wholesaling/processing business and meet the following criteria.

Please self-certify and attest to each statement below to confirm your eligibility by signing with your initials in the left column.

Initials	Statement						
	I am an eligible beneficiary as defined in the CT USDA SPRS grant application.						
	I am 18 years of age or older.						
	<p>I am the owner of a seafood dealer or processing business in the state of Connecticut that has incurred expenses above and beyond normal business costs, incurred between January 27, 2020 and December 31, 2021, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic relating to qualifying activities defined by the USDA. Indicate below each category that qualifies your expenses:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Workplace safety measures (sec 3)</td> <td>Market pivots (sec 4)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Retrofitting facilities (sec 5)</td> <td>Transportation (sec 6)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Worker housing (sec 7)</td> <td>Medical (sec 8)</td> </tr> </table>	Workplace safety measures (sec 3)	Market pivots (sec 4)	Retrofitting facilities (sec 5)	Transportation (sec 6)	Worker housing (sec 7)	Medical (sec 8)
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Retrofitting facilities (sec 5)	Transportation (sec 6)						
Worker housing (sec 7)	Medical (sec 8)						

Section 2 Continued – Applicant Eligibility

Initials	Statement
	I can provide proof of Connecticut based operation of this business.
	I am not on the federal government “do not pay list.”
	I am not debarred from receiving federal funds.
	I attest to having on file and can produce, upon request, valid records/documents (e.g., receipts, invoices, purchase orders) verifying my eligible expenses.
	I agree to maintain these documents/records for a period of no less than 3 years after the close of the primary grant award from the USDA. I understand that documents and records must be made available upon request from the State of Connecticut, USDA or the Office of the Inspector General.
	I have not applied for reimbursement under the USDA SPRS and Safety Block Grant from any other State, Tribe, or Territory; alternately, if I have applied for reimbursement under the USDA SPRS and Safety Block Grant from any other State, Tribe, or Territory, I have provided the name of that State, Tribe, or Territory in the space below:

Signature:

Date:

I certify that all of the information on this Connecticut USDA SPRS application is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge, including but not limited to information I have provided concerning expenses incurred to prepare for, prevent exposure to, and/or respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, above and beyond normal business costs, incurred between January 27, 2020 and December 31, 2021.

Section 3 – Workplace Safety Measures (Category 1).

List and describe expenses incurred during the period January 27, 2020 to December 31, 2021, where workplace safety measures were implemented in order to prepare for, prevent exposure to, and respond to Covid-19. Examples may include the purchase of personal protective equipment (PPE), thermometers, cleaning supplies, hand washing stations or similar items. This includes costs incurred for the installation and purchase of air filters or new signage related to Covid -19.

Category 1: Expenses related to workplace safety measures.		
Description of Expense	Date Range of Expense	Total Cost (\$)

Section 4 – Market Pivots (Category 2).

List and describe expenses incurred during the period January 27, 2020 to December 31, 2021, to implement market pivots in order to prepare for, prevent exposure to, and respond to Covid-19. Examples may include the development and implementation of online platforms and online or printed materials to communicate market pivots.

Category 2: Expenses related to implementing market pivots.		
Description of Expense	Date Range of Expense	Total Cost (\$)

Section 5 – Retrofitting Facilities (Category 3).

List and describe expenses incurred during the period January 27, 2020 to December 31, 2021, to retrofit facilities for worker and consumer safety in order to prepare for, prevent exposure to, and respond to Covid-19. Examples may include the installation and purchase of protective barriers made of plexiglass, walk-up windows, heat lamps, fans, tents, propane, weights, tables, chairs and lighting, or similar items.

Category 3: Expenses related to retrofitting facilities.		
Description of Expense	Date Range of Expense	Total Cost (\$)

Section 6 – Transportation (Category 4).

List and describe expenses incurred during the period January 27, 2020 to December 31, 2021, to provide additional transportation options to maintain social distancing and worker and consumer safety in order to prepare for, prevent exposure to, and respond to Covid-19. Examples may include providing additional transportation services for workers or offering new delivery routes, distribution services, etc.

Category 4: Expenses related to providing transportation options.		
Description of Expense	Date Range of Expense	Total Cost (\$)

Section 7 – Worker Housing (Category 5).

List and describe expenses incurred during the period January 27, 2020 to December 31, 2021, to provide worker housing that served to prepare for, prevent exposure to, and respond to Covid-19. Examples may include securing any additional housing resources/services to maintain social distancing or to allow for quarantining of new or exposed employees.

Category 5: Expenses related to providing worker housing.		
Description of Expense	Date Range of Expense	Total Cost (\$)

Section 8 – Medical (Category 6).

List and describe expenses incurred during the period January 27, 2020 to December 31, 2021, that provided health services in order to prepare for, prevent exposure to, and respond to Covid-19. Examples may include having offered or enabled vaccinations, testing or healthcare treatment of infected employees. This may include any paid leave due to Covid-19.

Category 6: Expenses related to providing health services.		
Description of Expense	Date Range of Expense	Total Cost (\$)