

USDA Value-Added Producer Grants
November 2015

Minnesota	White Earth Band of Chippewa Indians	Working Capital	\$49,999	To assist the White Earth Tribe with marketing wild rice
Minnesota	Harlan Anderson DVM	Working Capital	\$205,000	To produce and market alfalfa and hay "biscuits" for zoo animals
Minnesota	Clover Valley Farms, LLC	Working Capital	\$145,000	To supply working capital for new ready- to-eat meat and vegetables
Minnesota	Metz's Hart-Land Creamery	Working Capital	\$250,000	To expand market of artisan farmstead cheese
Minnesota	Redhead Creamery	Working Capital	\$250,000	Grant funds will be used as working capital for their new on farm creamery that produces cheeses.
Minnesota	Driftless Spirits	Working Capital	\$49,750	Rural Development funds will be used to market and brand organic, kosher grain to glass whiskey.
Minnesota	Minnesota Elderberry Cooperative	Planning	\$30,000	To assess the feasibility of the co-op to engage in certified organic production of value-added elderberry products
Minnesota	Shared Ground Farmers' Cooperative	Planning	\$25,000	To explore expanding markets in southern Minnesota local vegetable farming
Minnesota	Bois Forte Band of Chippewa	Planning	\$50,000	Grant funds will be used to develop a comprehensive marketing plan for Nett Lake wild rice.