

**2024 Agricultural Injury Prevention Youth Grant**

Created in 1990, Iowa's Center for Agricultural Safety and Health (I-CASH) is funded by the Iowa Legislature. The mission of I-CASH is to lead statewide partnerships that promote agricultural safety and health.

Each year I-CASH designates funds for community grants to youth aimed at the prevention of farm-related injury.

* $500 grants are available to decrease the risk of illness or injury due to farm hazard exposure.
* Applications will be reviewed by members of the I-CASH advisory board. Criteria for selection will be based on youth leadership, use of funds, collaboration, and proposed activities.
* One project will be selected for the *Outstanding Youth Grant Award* which will be presented at the 2024 Midwest Regional Agricultural Safety and Health (MRASH) meeting usually held in mid-November. A cash award plus funding for travel and expenses to attend the meeting will be provided.

**DEADLINES**: Applications are due **April 1st, 2024**; funding announcements will be made by **April 15th, 2024.** A final report is due **September 27th, 2024**. Contact Tabitha Kuehn, at 319-467-0327 or [tabitha-kuehn@uiowa.edu](mailto:tabitha-kuehn@uiowa.edu) with questions or for more information.

**TO SUBMIT**, email applications to:

Iowa’s Center for Agricultural Safety and Health

[cph-icash@uiowa.edu](mailto:cph-icash@uiowa.edu)

**Project Description**

Farming is a dangerous occupation, and Iowa has lots of farms. This grant program was developed to encourage youth to take an active role in preventing injuries and deaths on farms by raising awareness about safety and health issues with farmers and other youth in their community. The projects should be **planned and conducted by youth**, with adults serving as mentors and advisors.

Rural hazards come in many forms and there are many topics that can be addressed. To select a topic, start by considering the type of farming in your community, any injuries or deaths that may have happened in the past, as well as the obvious hazards such as tractors and livestock. Don’t forget about health issues such as hearing loss, sun exposure, ergonomics, and proper hydration.

The message of farm safety and health can be delivered in a variety of ways. **We encourage creative projects!** Here are some examples you may consider:

* Distribute SMV (slow moving vehicle) signs at the local implement dealership, using the opportunity to talk with farmers about roadway safety
* Make a poster about hearing protection for the county fair and hand out ear plugs and brochures
* Speak with farmers while they wait in line to drop off grain at the local co-op – pass out a fact sheet about respiratory health and give them dust masks
* Produce a YouTube video about safely sorting cattle, using the funds to purchase props for demonstrations, special makeup, or editing software
* Hold a local essay or poster contest about ATV safety and give away ATV helmets to the winners

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Application Form

**Organization Name\*:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\*Only one application will be accepted per organization/chapter

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**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Contact person for application:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Area/Counties served: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Number of farmers and youth you hope to reach: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Expected date for project: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Safety/health topic to be addressed by this project:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**How do you plan to research/get information on this topic and best safety practices?**

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**Type of activity (e.g.: educational program, online or social media, resource distribution, etc.)**

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**What do you want to accomplish by completing this project? Highlight what component of the project will have the biggest impact or is the most creative.**

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**What role and how many youth will participate in project *planning, implementation, and delivery?***

**Planning: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Implementation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Delivery: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  
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**Resources to be purchased with grant money:** (I-CASH funds cannot be used for salaries)

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**Locally donated in-kind resources:** (handout material, staff time, food, etc.)

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**Supervising Adult Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

\*A check from I-CASH will be sent to the organization listed on the top line.

One *Outstanding Youth Grant* will be selected for youth and advisors to attend the mid-November MRASH conference.

All information submitted by the applicant will be treated by the university as a public record unless the applicant requests that the information be treated as confidential in accordance with the public record laws of the State of Iowa at the time of this application.

Project Evaluation Form

Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

To be filled out after completing the project.

***This information will be used to determine the Outstanding Youth Grant Award eligible for 2024 MRASH participation.*** ***Criteria for selection includes: topic creativity, level of youth involvement in project planning and execution, funding use, people reached, promotion, and future plans.***

Program Topic

Topic addressed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Why topic was chosen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How topic was researched \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of youth involved \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Describe the Youth Involvement \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Program Delivery

Delivery method used (presentation, video production, fair booth, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Why delivery method chosen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Where did you conduct your program \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of youth involved \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Resources

Resources purchased \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Why these resources \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Program Reach

Who was the target audience \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of youth impacted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of farmers impacted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Promotion

Promotional methods used (newspaper, radio, Facebook etc.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Promotional items developed (PSA, fact sheet, book mark, etc.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Project Outcomes

What outcomes did your project have? (new partnerships, additional opportunities, unexpected successes)

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What life skills did students utilize throughout this project? (ex: Leadership, communication, organization)

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Future Plans

Reflect on what you and the students learned throughout this experience.

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Explain what you plan to do differently in the future to address this or other farm safety and health topics?

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Feedback

Please share any feedback you have on the grant program and any agricultural health and safety resource needs you identified.

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**Organizations not fulfilling this evaluation form will not be eligible for future I-CASH grants.**

Please return by **September 27, 2024** along with pictures of your event or product to:

[cph-icash@uiowa.edu](mailto:cph-icash@uiowa.edu)



2024 I-CASH Youth Grants – Grant Score Sheet

Score each section from 1 (low) to 5 or 10 (high) for each applicant. Youth Involvement is worth twice as many points as the other categories.

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| Applicant | Project consistent with I-CASH mission | Number of people reached | Creativity or Innovation of topic and project | Youth Involvement in project implementation | Wise use of funding/  Budget | In-kind resources | Affiliations/  collaborations | Total score - 40 maximum | Comments |
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