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Agricultural Linked Deposit Program (Ag-LINK)

The Ag-LINK program provides reduced-rate financing to Ohio farmers to help offset the high cost of annual operating funds.

The Agricultural Linked-Deposit program (Ag-LINK) is sponsored by State Treasurer Josh Mandel. In an effort to help Ohio farmers offset the high costs of operating funds, Ag-LINK provides an interest rate reduction on loans or lines of credit up to \$150,000. This program applies to farmers, including but not limited to traditional farming, aquaculture, livestock, orchards and hydroponics. Ag-LINK has increased opportunities for Ohio farmers to operate and thrive for more than 26 years. As a result, Ag-LINK has helped more than 40,000 farmers receive reduced-rate financing on approximately \$2.8 billion dollars. State Treasurer Josh Mandel is proud to support Ohio's farmers through Ag-LINK.

How Do Farmers Qualify?

Eligible recipients must meet the following criteria:

- Be organized for profit
- Have headquarters and 51% of operations maintained in Ohio
- Obtain an operating loan or line of credit from an eligible bank or Farm Credit Lender
- Use loan exclusively for agriculture purposes
- Agree to comply with all program and bank regulations

What is the process?

- Farmer applies for and is approved for a loan or line of credit through an eligible bank or Farm Credit Lender
- Lender visits www.aglink.ohio.gov to complete an Ag-LINK application for the farmer between January and March
- The Ohio Treasurer's Department of Economic Development evaluates all applications and approves funds based on compliance to program criteria but also economic need

Ag-LINK applications are accepted on an annual basis from January to March.

Questions? Visit State Treasurer Josh Mandel's Ag-LINK website at ohiotreasurer.gov/aglink or call 1-800-228-1102, option #3.