

# Manitoba Organics

## Cost-Share Program

### 2024 Application



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Manitoba Organics (herein referred to as Manitoba Organic Alliance or MOA), with funding from The Conservation Trust, is offering a producer-shared funding program that will allow you to undertake on-farm projects in the 2024 growing season to improve soil health and/or biodiversity.

Ten to fifteen farmers will be selected for the cost-share program for the 2024 growing season. This program will subsidize costs of implementing practices which benefit soil health and biodiversity on farms.

MOA is offering a cost-share ratio of 50:50 for approved projects with a funding cap of \$7,000 per farm per year.

#### **Eligible costs include:**

- Fencing and watering systems for livestock integration
- Trees, shrubs, and perennial plants for shelterbelts, eco-buffers, pollinator strips, or beetle banks
- Perennial seed for grazing or seed production
- Rent or purchase of pollinator services/equipment for alfalfa seed production
- Cover crop seed
- Labour

Applicants must read the Program Guidebook before submitting an application as more information on eligible costs/projects and the Terms and Conditions of the programs are outlined in this document. You can find the Program Guidebook here:

If you have any questions about the cost-share program or would like assistance with filling out the application please email: [info@manitobaorganics.com](mailto:info@manitobaorganics.com).

Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are mandatory.

### SECTION 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

<b>*First Name:</b>			
<b>*Last Name:</b>			
<b>Applicant Information (optional):</b>			
<b>*Phone Number:</b>		<b>*Email:</b>	
<b>*Name of Farm:</b>			
<b>Legal Name of Farm (if different from above):</b>			
<b>*Role/position on the farm:</b>			
<b>*Mailing Address (PO Box/Street):</b>			
<b>*City/Town:</b>		<b>Municipality:</b>	
<b>*Province:</b>		<b>*Postal Code:</b>	
<b>*Are you receiving any other funding for this project? (Please select only one option.)</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>If you answered yes, please list all funders and the amount of funding promised/received. Include in-kind contributions, and any relevant details.</b>			

**\*Tell us about your farm (EX: type of farm, enterprises, crop rotation, etc).**

**SECTION 2: PROJECT DETAILS**

**\*Select which practice you would like assistance with:**

- Fencing and watering systems to facilitate grazing
- Perennial seed or annual seed mixes (for cover crops, alfalfa seed production, or grazing)
- Rent or purchase pollinator services/equipment (for alfalfa seed production)
- Establishment of eco-buffers, pollinator strips, or beetle banks
- Shelterbelt establishment
- Other

**\*Describe the project you would like to complete under the cost-share program.**

**\*Describe how this project will impact biodiversity and soil health.**

**\*What is the estimated project size? (EX. acres of cover crops or perennials planted, linear feet of fencing to be installed, length of shelterbelt, area of pollinator strip, beetle bank, eco-buffer).**

**\*Where is the project located (field name and legal land description)?**

<b>*Does this project include planting cover crops or perennial crops?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>If you answered yes to the above question, is this practice new to your farm?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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**SECTION 3: BUDGET**

**\*MOA Cost-Share Program - Proposed Budget 2024**

Project costs are split between MOA and successful applicants at a 50:50 rate. The funding cap is set at \$7,000/farm for projects taking place in one year. The total funding per farm cannot exceed \$7,000 for one year. Complete the table below on proposed budget costs. Make sure to provide quantities where possible (eg. feet of fence, hours of labour, etc.) and total estimated costs.

<b>*Expense</b>	<b>*Estimated Cost</b>
Labour ( <i>required - \$25/hr</i> )	
<b>Total Project Costs</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Total Eligible Cost-Share Program Funding (MAX: \$7,000/year)</b>	<b>\$</b>

## SECTION 4: EQUITY SELF-DECLARATION (OPTIONAL)

**We encourage young farmers, women farmers, farmers with disabilities, black farmers, Indigenous farmers and food providers, farmers of colour, small-scale farmers, 2SLGBTQ+ farmers, and new Canadian farmers to self-declare. If you are comfortable doing so, please indicate which communities apply to you. Please note that you may declare in one or more of the equity groups. If you'd like to self-declare, please complete the space below.**

## SECTION 5: DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

**\*You must sign and date this section for your application to be considered.**

I confirm that I have read, understood and am in compliance with the objectives, principles and criteria set out by Manitoba Organic Alliance (MOA) in the MOA Cost-Share Program Guidebook.

In addition to being in compliance with the program guidebook terms and conditions, I understand that I must meet the following conditions in order to be eligible for funding:

1. Allow the MOA or its designate the right to conduct a compliance audit on the project described in this application.
2. Agree to provide appropriate recognition for the financial assistance of MOA.
3. Agree that, unless authorized, expenses for project activities started before the date in the funding decision letter or contribution agreement will not be reimbursed.
4. Ensure this application has been signed below by the owner(s) or a legally authorized representative who is duly authorized to accept the terms and conditions by clicking on the box indicating your acceptance. If you do not have the authority or do not accept the terms and conditions, you must not submit this application.
5. Agree that the project will be implemented in compliance with federal, provincial and municipal requirements.
6. Understand that the information contained in this application is being collected for the purpose of assessing and reviewing my eligibility for funding under the MOA Cost-Share Program, and that such information will be used and disclosed for application assessment and review purposes, including verification of the information submitted as well as program review, statistical purposes and performance reporting.

**Yes, I agree**

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**Signature**

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**Date**