

**Sustainable Farming Fund** 

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

## May a government agency, university, or non-profit apply for a sustainable farming fund grant?

Yes, a university, non-profit organization, or governing agency such as a soil and water board or conservation district may apply for a grant so long as it is used on a private farm.

# Will reports from grant recipients be subject to public records laws and how will the information be released?

Stetson University is not a public agency and not bound by Florida's public records laws. The Institute intends to collect information from private farmers as to the success of efforts undertaken through the grants. This is required to be reported to the federal district court. However, any information marked as proprietary by the producer will not be shared or otherwise publicly available or published in any manner.

### Can SFF Grants be used to hire employees or pay indirect costs?

No. SFF grants can be used for new equipment, software, and related direct costs but additional indirect costs and personnel must be funded elsewhere.

#### Do proposals have to complete in order to be processed?

Proposals needs to be received prior to the stated deadline. If the proposal would otherwise qualify, the SFF will work with the applicant to complete the necessary information prior to review of the grant.