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\$1,000 Grants Available for Organic Agriculture SAEs!

CCOF's Future Organic Farmer Grant Fund Sponsors SAE Grant Program

Greetings Advisors, Teachers, and Parents!

The California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) Foundation is pleased to announce the availability of 10 grants through the Future Farmers of America (FFA) 2014 Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) Grant program! Direct grants in the amount of \$1,000 are now available to students who are FFA members, are interested in starting (or are currently conducting) an SAE in any area with a focus on **organic agriculture**, and who meet the eligibility criteria.

The application period is open now through 5 p.m. EST November 15, 2014 – don't miss this chance to receive \$1,000 in funding toward your organic agriculture SAE! Applicants must apply online through the FFA 2014 SAE Grant Program [website](#) (also listed below). Information on Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAEs), answers to FAQs, the grant scoring rubric, an example application, and detailed eligibility requirements are also found on the website.

Application Link: <https://www.ffa.org/programs/grantsandscholarships/SAEGrants/Pages/default.aspx>

Additional Resources:

CCOF: Education Resources

Check out our *Education Resources* page for a broader range of organizations and opportunities for partnership related to organic agriculture education: www.ccof.org/education/education-resources

Organic Valley/CROPP Cooperative SAE Grant

Organic Valley (www.organicvalley.coop) has also partnered with FFA to offer two grants in the amount of \$1,000 for students with SAEs that utilize organic methods. Contact saegrants@ffa.org for more info.

Organic Trade Association (OTA): Organic Facts

For a quick rundown of what organic means in terms of the environment, nutrition, standards, and more, check out OTA's *Organic Facts* page: www.ota.com/organic.html

USDA National Organic Program (NOP): Organic Literacy Initiative

For interactive training modules on the fundamentals of organic agriculture and standards, click here: <http://1.usa.gov/WOPgqF>, or go to www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/nop and search "Organic Literacy Initiative."

USDA National Agricultural Library: Alternative Farming Systems Information Center

Teaching aides and course outlines related to organic agriculture for all grade levels: afsic.nal.usda.gov/education-and-research/classroom-and-curricula



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