



Pork Promotion Co-op Funding for Qualifying Individuals 2024-2025 Minnesota Pork Board

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(Applicants for this funding program **MUST** have prior approval from the Minnesota Pork Board.)
This form is for use by Minnesota pork producers who pay into the Pork Checkoff but do not belong to a county pork producers association and/or pork producers who would like to implement their own pork promotional program.

Today's Date: _____

Name of Individual Submitting Request: _____

Address: _____

Day Telephone: _____

Evening Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Project Title: _____

Briefly describe what this pork promotion accomplishes: _____

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Project Cost:

Pork Checkoff Money Request: (50 percent) \$ _____

Pork Producer Share: (50 percent) \$ _____

Total Project Cost: (100 percent) \$ _____

Application continues

To be completed by Minnesota Pork Board Staff

Approved By: _____

Date: _____

Eligibility and Guidelines

- A pork producer may be eligible for a maximum of \$250 in matching funds per fiscal year for pork promotional work. This program is a 50/50 cost share between the Pork Checkoff and the individual pork producer.
- The fiscal year begins October 1 and ends September 30.
- The pork promotional materials must originate from the Minnesota Pork Board or the National Pork Board. For assistance, contact the Minnesota Pork Board office at 1.800.537.7675 or pam@mn pork.com
- The application for funding MUST be pre-approved by the Minnesota Pork Board.
- For cost reimbursement, the applicant must turn in copies of paid receipts and this completed form to the Minnesota Pork Board within 60 days after the project's completion.
- The Minnesota Pork Board reserves the right to refuse cost share on unapproved expenses.
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Examples of pork promotions that meet Co-op Funding guidelines:

- Joint projects between counties, feed companies, banks, and other allied industries.
- In-store grocery promotions where pork product samples are served.
- Retail and restaurant coupons. *Coupons cannot be for full value of the item.*
- County fair exhibits and activities that include approved promotional materials and other approved swine industry educational materials.
- Radio, newspaper, billboard and other signage using the Pork trademark.
- Meat cutter merchandising seminars and materials for meat cutters or butcher shops.
- Educational materials for family and consumer education classes.
- Sponsorship of pork cooking contests with restaurants, colleges, or family/consumer education classes.
- County sponsorship of pork recipe contests.

Co-op Funding CANNOT be used for:

- Hog show expenses, giving pork products to other organizations to sell, equipment for food preparation, advertising not approved by the National Pork Board or Minnesota Pork Board.

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