



Kitchen Equipment Grant Program

A Growing for Kane & IL Farm to School Network Project



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Program Background

- **School Food Service Kitchen Equipment Grant**
Developed for Kane area schools and other childcare institutions.
- **Goal**
Help schools obtain equipment needed to meet their food prep, storage, and scratch cooking needs. Build the institutional marketplace for fresh, locally grown foods.

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- **Concept**

An extension of farm to school programming developed by the Illinois Farm to School Network and Growing for Kane / Kane County teams.

- **Marketing**

The opportunity announcement has been distributed to all school districts in Kane and several neighboring districts serving high need students. Posted to IFSN website and e-newsletter distribution.



Eligibility

- **Applicants**

Must be participants in the National School Lunch Program (includes schools / school districts, early childcare centers, and boarding facilities). Preference for facilities in Kane.

- **Expenses**

Eligible equipment expenses limited to food prep and storage activities - must be connected to food service or garden tasting program.



Grantee Requirements

- **Kitchen Equipment Audit**

All grant recipients must complete audits of their kitchen prior to receiving funding.

- **Reporting**

Recipients must submit end-of-program report documenting purchase and use of equipment.

No matching contribution requirement



Award Info & Application Links

- **Award Limits**

Individual institutions - eligible for award amounts up to \$1,500 per site.

School districts with multiple sites - eligible for award amounts up to \$3,000 serving two or three sites.

- **Application Links:**

View at <http://bit.ly/KANECOGRANTAPP> or visit the IL Farm to School Network [homepage](#) to download.

Submission Details

- **Submission Deadline**

Friday, January 17, 2020 at 5:00 PM CST

Applications should be submitted to Matt Tansley, Kane County Planning Division at tansleymatthew@co.kane.il.us as either a Word or PDF document. Questions pertaining to the application can be directed to Matt.



Questions relating to the kitchen audits should be directed to Diane Chapeta, IL Farm to School Network, at diane@sevengenerationsahead.org.