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2011 MINI GRANTS PROGRAM FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL YOUNG FARMER CLUBS.

Background

The Smallholders Foundation is a non-governmental organization which promotes sustainable agricultural productivity and environmental conservation beneficial to rural poor small farmers, through educational radio programs and on field practical demonstrations.

We seek to encourage young people's participation in agriculture. Our School Gardens Projects imparts sustainable agricultural, environmental conservation, entrepreneurship and financial planning skills on young people through the establishment of modern school gardens in secondary schools.

Through this project we work with young people to:

- Establish similar gardens at home, earn income and support their parents,
- Establish micro/small/medium agribusinesses,
- Advance studies and careers in agriculture and environmental management.

We hereby call for mini-grant applications from Young Farmer Clubs in Nigeria secondary schools to support existing school gardens projects, which directly benefits students.

Application Guidelines

To receive mini-grants Young Farmer Clubs and secondary schools must have existing School Garden or Farm Projects such as poultry, fishery, piggery, vegetable farm, crops farm, fruits orchard etc

Mini grants applications must have a budget maximum of N50, 000 (Fifty Thousand Naira Only)

School must have a Young Farmers Club which coordinates the farm and directly benefits from the farm under the supervision of a school teacher or school principal.

The applicant must indicate the nature or type of their farm and apply to either include new livestock or crop variety on the farm or expand the land area of an existing farm.

Applications for the establishment of new school farms/garden will not be accepted.

Application Forms may be completed by members of the Young Farmer Clubs, a school teacher or principal acting on their behalf.

Application Forms must be endorsed by The School Principal.

All sections of the application form should be fully completed.

The deadline for the submission of all application forms is **31st March, 2011**, applications received after this deadline will not be accepted.

All applications should be submitted to:

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All enquiries about the application form or process, should be directed to Mr. Kalu Maduabuchi smallholders.minigrants@gmail.com or info@smallholdersfoundation.org or please phone us on +2348037092893.



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APPLICATION FORM

Name of School

Name of Community

Local Government Area

State

Contact Person

Contact Phone Number

Name of Principal

Nature of School Farm

Is there an existing Young Farmers Club in the School?

Yes No

How many students are members of the club?

Indicate number of Boys and Girls

Boys

Girls

Project Summary

Project Objectives

Project Rationale

Project Work plan

Project Expected Result

