

Value Added Producer Grant Contacts and Resources

USDA Contact Information

USDA website for the VAPG Program: www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/vadg.htm

Online eligibility assessment tool: www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/vapgea.htm

USDA Rural Development Florida Office: www.rurdev.usda.gov/fl/

Other Resources

UF-IFAS Cooperative Extension Service: solutionsforyourlife.ifas.ufl.edu

UF/Small Farms Website, Explore topics related to the production, marketing and economics of specific small farm enterprises.

smallfarms.ifas.ufl.edu

Florida Department of Agriculture – Division of Marketing, Develops strategies to facilitate the buying, selling and marketing of Florida agricultural products.

www.florida-agriculture.com/

ATTRA is the National Sustainable Agriculture Information Service, providing marketing and production information through thousands of publications.

www.attra.org

Alternative Farming Systems Information Center, a SARE sponsored project of USDA

www.nal.usda.gov/afsic/

Southern Region SARE provides grants and information to improve profitability, stewardship, and quality of life

www.southernsare.uga.edu/

The **Agricultural Marketing Resource Center** is an electronic, national resource for producers interested in value-added agriculture.

www.agMRC.org

The **Florida Agricultural Market Research Center** is a research, development and education service offering professional assistance to agricultural, marine and agribusiness groups.

www.agmarketing.ifas.ufl.edu/

University of Nebraska (Grant Application Templates): fpc.unl.edu/Business/grant.shtml

Rural Information Center: ric.nal.usda.gov

Hillsborough County Small Business Information Center:

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Tampa, FL 33617

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www.hillsboroughcounty.org/sbic/