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## **Now Accepting Scholarship Applications for the 29<sup>th</sup> California Small Farm Conference in Sacramento, CA**

*All CSFC scholarship applications must be received by 5:00pm PST on December 4, 2015*

**SACRAMENTO, CA (October 13, 2015)** — Beginning today the California Small Farm Conference is accepting scholarship applications for the upcoming California Small Farm Conference in Sacramento, CA scheduled for March 5 – 8, 2016. A scholarship is an affordable way for eligible recipients to attend the Conference. Small-scale farmers and ranchers, beginning farmer/ranchers, farmer/rancher employees and certified farmers' market managers are encouraged to apply. The deadline for applications is 5:00pm PST on December 4, 2015.

### **What the Scholarship Includes:**

- For scholarship recipients, fees are significantly reduced to \$100 (from \$350) and just \$25 (from \$65) for a field course.
- Scholarship package meals, educational materials, workshops, networking opportunities, and a ticket to the Tasting Reception are included,
- Additionally, room sharing is available for scholarship recipients if hotel accommodations are needed.

### **Who is Eligible to Apply?**

- Scholarships are available for farmers, ranchers, farm/ranch employees and certified farmers' market managers.
- Applicants must be legal US citizen and a resident of California with a household income of less than \$50,000 in both 2014 and 2015.
- Students are not eligible for scholarships, as they already receive a significant discount on Conference registration.
- Those who have received a scholarship previously are also ineligible.

### **To Apply:**

Complete the online application at: <http://www.californiafarmconference.com/scholarship/> before the December 4, 2015, deadline.

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### **About the California Small Farm Conference**

The 29<sup>th</sup> California Small Farm Conference (<http://www.californiafarmconference.com/>) will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Sacramento on March 5 – 8, 2016. The Conference is the state's premier gathering for small farmers and ranchers. Our goal is to promote the success and viability of small farming operations and certified farmers' markets through short courses, tours and workshops. The three-day Conference is held in a different California city each year and attracts approximately 400 attendees. Registration for the 2016 Conference will begin mid-November.