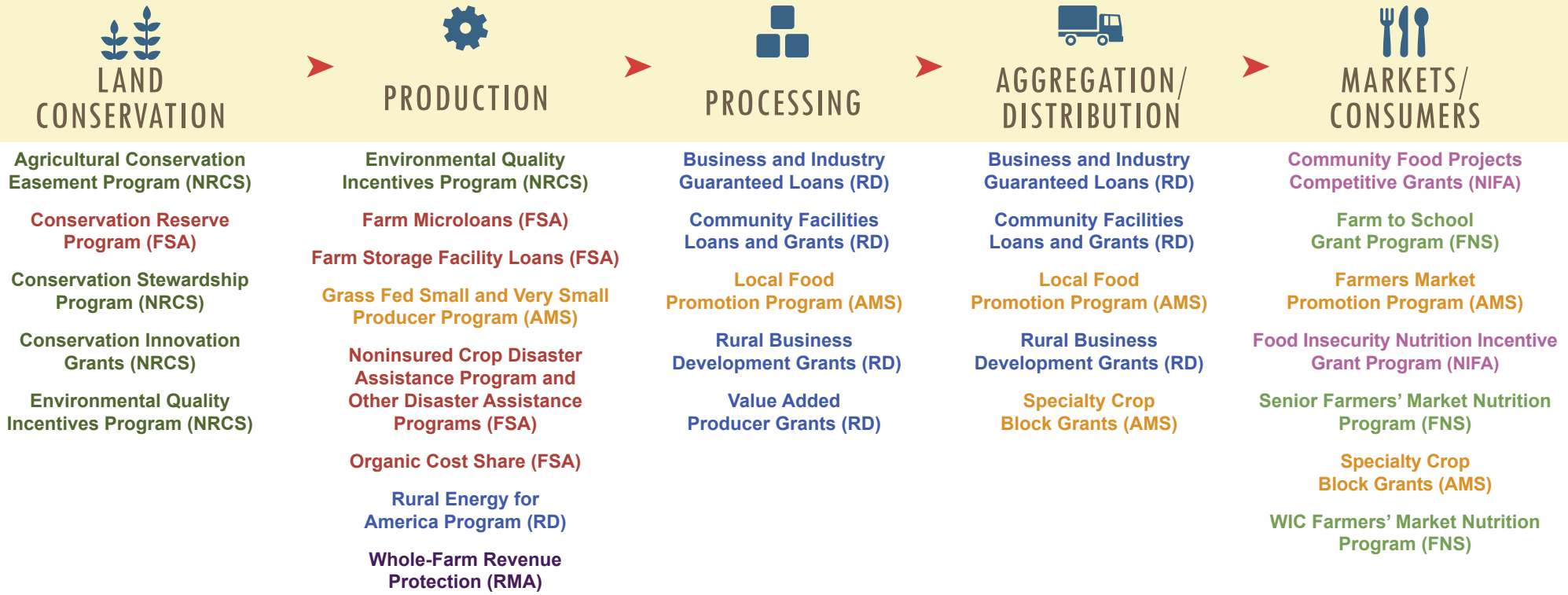


# USDA PROGRAMS IN THE LOCAL FOOD SUPPLY CHAIN

USDA is committed to supporting robust regional food economies across the food chain through the programs noted below.



## RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS ALONG THE SUPPLY CHAIN:

- Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (NIFA)
- Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (NIFA)
- Conservation Technical Assistance (NRCS)
- Enhancing Agricultural Opportunities for Military Veterans (AGVETS) (NIFA)
- Federal State Marketing Improvement Program (AMS)
- Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program (2501 Program) (OAO)
- Risk Management Education Program (RMA)
- Rural Cooperative Development Grants (RD)
- Small Business Innovation Research (NIFA)
- Specialty Crop Block Grants (AMS)
- Specialty Crop Research Initiative (NIFA)
- Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program (NIFA)

## COLOR KEY

- Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)
- Farm Service Agency (FSA)
- Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)
- National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)
- Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
- Office of Advocacy and Outreach (OAO)
- Risk Management Agency (RMA)
- Rural Development (RD)

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## **Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (NRCS)**

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/acep>

## **Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (NIFA)**

<https://go.usa.gov/xQEyH>

## **Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (NIFA)**

<https://go.usa.gov/xQEYv>

## **Business and Industry Guaranteed Loans (RD)**

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-industry-loan-guarantees>

## **Community Facilities Loans and Grants (RD)**

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program>

## **Community Food Projects Competitive Grants (NIFA)**

<https://go.usa.gov/xQEYf>

## **Conservation Innovation Grants (NRCS)**

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/cig>

## **Conservation Reserve Program (FSA)**

<https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/conservation-programs/>

## **Conservation Stewardship Program (NRCS)**

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/csp>

## **Conservation Technical Assistance (NRCS)**

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/technical/cta/>

## **Enhancing Agricultural Opportunities for Military Veterans (NIFA)**

<https://go.usa.gov/xQdzc>

## **Environmental Quality Incentives Program (NRCS)**

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/eqip>

## **Farm Microloans (FSA)**

<https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/farm-loan-programs/microloans/index>

## **Farm Storage Facility Loans (FSA)**

<https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/price-support/facility-loans/farm-storage/>

## **Farm to School Grant Program (FNS)**

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/farm-school-grant-program>

## **Farmers Market Promotion Program (AMS)**

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/fmpp>

## **Federal State Marketing Improvement Program (AMS)**

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/fsmip>

## **Food Insecurity Nutrition Incentive Grant Program (NIFA)**

<https://go.usa.gov/xQEYh>

## **Grass Fed Small and Very Small Producer Program (AMS)**

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/auditing/grass-fed-svs>

## **Local Food Promotion Program (AMS)**

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/lfp>

## **Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program and Other Disaster Assistance Programs (FSA)**

<https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/disaster-assistance-program/index>

## **Organic Cost Share (FSA)**

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/ocssp>

## **Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program (2501 Program) (OAO)**

<https://www.outreach.usda.gov/sdfr/>

## **Risk Management Education Program (RMA)**

<https://www.rma.usda.gov/aboutrma/who/aboutrma.html>

## **Rural Business Development Grants (RD)**

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/rbdg>

## **Rural Cooperative Development Grants (RD)**

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/rcdg>

## **Rural Energy for America Program (RD)**

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/reap>

## **Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FNS)**

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfmnp>

## **Small Business Innovation Research (RD)**

<https://nifa.usda.gov/program/small-business-innovation-research-program-sbir>

## **Specialty Crop Block Grants (AMS)**

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/scbgb>

## **Specialty Crop Research Initiative (NIFA)**

<https://go.usa.gov/xQEYf>

## **Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program (NIFA)**

<https://go.usa.gov/xQEYm>

## **Value Added Producer Grants (RD)**

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/vapg>

## **Whole-Farm Revenue Protection (RMA)**

<https://www.rma.usda.gov/policies/wfrp.html>

## **WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FNS)**

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/fmnp>

