

## FY25 Budget Request Testimony

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## Please fund NOFA-VT's food access programs at a minimum of \$350,000 in FY25.



## An appropriation of at least \$350,000 will allow us to continue operating all three core programs: - Crop Cash - Crop Cash Plus - Farm Share



**Crop Cash** doubles 3SquaresVT (SNAP) benefits for fruits and vegetables purchased at Vermont farmers markets

**Crop Cash Plus** expands Crop Cash to all SNAP-eligible foods (meat, eggs, dairy, bread)

**Farm Share** subsidizes CSA shares for limited-income Vermonters by paying for 25-75% of the CSA cost

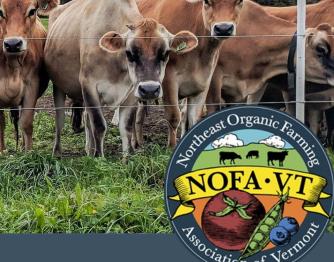




**Thank you** for supporting critical food access programs that improve food security and enhance farm viability!



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## Thank You!

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