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Five Reasons Why You Should Celebrate Farm to School Month

From the USDA Web site:

"The purpose of Farm to School Month is to promote the importance of farm to school activities in helping to improve child nutrition, support local economies and connect children and communities with the source of their food."

"The USDA Office of Community Food Systems provides more than \$5 million in funding for schools, school districts, state and local agencies, non-profits, Indian Tribal Organizations and organizations serving predominantly Native communities, and agricultural producers (including ranchers and fishers) to plan or implement farm to school activities in their communities."

"Since the grant program's inception in 2013, USDA has invested over \$25 million in farm to school grants among 365 projects across all 50 states, Washington, D.C. and the U.S. Virgin Islands, reaching over 13 million students."

Learn more about this funding opportunity and check out our [2018 Farm to School Request for Application](#)