

Apply for the 2019 Tiny Farmhouse!

Applications will be accepted through March 31, 2019.

Please complete the online application, or mail a hard copy to

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Georgia Organics is providing a farmer with the opportunity to place a "tiny farmhouse" on their farm. Built in 2015 by students in UGA's Green Building and Tiny House Movement class, this tiny house has been lightly used since it was awarded to Walker Farms. This \$20,000 asset is ideal for a farmer looking for an affordable housing option, on-farm housing for employees, or an additional revenue stream. Before applying for the Tiny Farmhouse, interested parties should be aware of the farmer responsibilities and associated costs with receipt and ownership of the home.

Site responsibilities include:

- 1) Level site to accommodate at minimum an 8.5' by 24' trailer
- 2) Open road access to the site so house can be driven in
- 3) Electricity hookup (TT-30R NEMA Outlet mounted on pole within 50' of the rear of the trailer) and associated costs
- 4) Plumbing hookup (a frost-proof water spigot, connected to potable water line within 50' of the rear of the trailer) and associated costs
- 5) Drain field (gray water drain field or conventional sewer/septic hookup) and associated costs
- 6) 12" x 12" concrete blocks for blocking house trailer and associated costs
- 7) Steps to tiny house door and associated costs

Ownership responsibilities include:

- 1) Covering the cost of transportation of the Tiny Farmhouse. The cost depends on the recipient's location, with possible cost share opportunities once a price is established.
- 2) Signing a Bill of Sale with Georgia Organics upon receipt of the title for the Tiny Farmhouse which outlines conditions/ representations of ownership.
- 3) Maintaining occupancy of the Tiny Farmhouse for the stated purpose
- 4) General maintenance and upkeep of the Tiny Farmhouse. Because this is a used Tiny Farmhouse, this may include a fresh coat of exterior paint or minor repairs, as the owner deems necessary.
- 5) Participation in promotional aspects of the Tiny Farmhouse project by sharing photos, videos, testimony, etc. with Georgia Organics staff
- 6) Participation in annual feedback/survey on the Tiny Farmhouse design and impact on farmer prosperity

The cost of establishing a suitable site and maintaining the Tiny Farmhouse will vary and should be considered by the farmer before applying to receive the Tiny Farmhouse. If considered for receipt of the tiny farmhouse, applicant must agree to a site visit.

In order to fulfill the requirements for receiving the tiny farmhouse, the farm must be a current member of Georgia Organics, be certified organic, and currently selling their products. The application review team will consider farm history and success, how the house will be used to generate revenue or save expenses, and how the farm will manage the installation and management of the tiny farmhouse in their decision. If after considering these factors you are still interested in applying to receive the Tiny Farmhouse, please fill out the application below.

Application deadline is Sunday, March 31, 2019. Final round applicants will be notified the first week of April for follow up phone interviews. The tiny farmhouse will be awarded in April.

Application

Name _____

Farm Name _____

Zip code _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

County _____

Email _____

Phone number _____

Farm Acreage (circle one)

0-5 6-10 11-20 21-30 31-50 51-100 101-200 >200

Annual Value of Sales (circle one)

<\$10,000 \$11,000-50,000 \$51,000-100,000 >\$100,000

Is your farm profitable? (circle one)

Yes No

How many years have you been farming? (circle one)

<1 1-3 4-10 11-20 >20

Status of the land you farm (circle one)

Land owned by individual

Land owned by community

Land owned by local government

Short term lease (1-5 years)

Long term lease (>5 years)

Are you a member of Georgia Organics? (circle one)

Yes

No

I plan to join after filling out this application

Are you a veteran? (circle one)

Yes

No

Age (circle one)

<25

26-35

36-45

46-55

56-65

>66

Race (optional)

African or African American

Latino/ Hispanic

Caucasian

Caribbean

Middle Eastern

South Asian

East Asian

Mixed

Other _____

Sex (optional)

Male

Female

Do you have any certifications? (circle all that apply)

Certified Organic

Certified Naturally Grown

None

Other _____

If none, how likely are you to pursue certification? (circle one)

Not at all likely

Somewhat likely

Likely

Very likely

What do you grow? (circle all that apply)

Vegetables
Livestock

Fruit/Nut trees

Herbs

Poultry/Eggs

Other _____

How do you currently sell your products? (circle all that apply)

Farmers Markets

On-site sales

Retail/ Grocery

Restaurants

Wholesaler

CSA

Currently not selling

Other _____

What are your ideal markets in the next five years? (circle all that apply)

Farmers Markets

On-site sales

Retail/ Grocery

Restaurants

Wholesaler

CSA

Currently not selling

Other _____

Do you currently make or sell value-added products? (circle one)

Yes

No

Do you currently have a business plan? (Circle one)

Yes

No

Do you currently have a marketing strategy? (circle one)

Yes

No

Please indicate what policies you currently hold (circle all that apply)

Health Insurance

Life Insurance

Retirement/ Investment Plan

On-farm liability insurance

Property insurance

Other _____

Who will be using the Tiny Farmhouse? (Circle one)

Farm owner

On-farm labor

Other _____

Briefly describe the site you have chosen for the Tiny Farmhouse, how it would be used, and how it will benefit your farming operation. Will the Tiny Farmhouse reduce costs in some way, provide an additional revenue stream, expand the operation, etc.?

Please define and describe your farms successes

Please describe how ownership of a Tiny Farmhouse will be incorporated into your business plan. Include any relevant information, such as how set up costs will be absorbed, how logistics of set up and use will be handled, how revenues will be used, etc.