Announcing the 2018 Milk and Shellfish Grant Program

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) are proud to announce Year 2 of the AFDO-administered National Grade “A” Milk Safety and National Shellfish Sanitation Grant Programs. The program provides funds for training and equipment purchases in support of milk and shellfish regulatory programs.

A single program with authority to implement the National Grade “A” Milk Safety Program (regulatory/rating authority or laboratory service) may apply for funding for up to two (2) projects:

- One (1) National Grade “A” Milk Program 2018 Calendar Year Training Request (Awards in December 2017)
- One (1) National Grade “A” Milk Program Equipment Request (If Funded, Awards in Spring 2018)

Accepting Applications:
September 25th – October 30th

Grade “A” Milk Project Categories and Examples:

- **Category 1: Training (up to $2,000 per person per course)** – 2018 Annual Program Training Needs Grants for Milk Programs to fund training for Milk Sanitation Officers (SROs), Laboratory Evaluation Officers (LEOs), and other Regulatory Staff Members to attend Required Training and Other Courses for Calendar Year 2018.
  
  **Examples:** FD371, FD372, FD373, FD374, FD375, FD577, FD578, FD385, Southeast Regional Milk Seminar, Northeast Regional Milk Seminar, Regional Seminars and Other Courses, Dairy Equipment Review Committee Meetings

- **Category 2: Equipment (up to $3,000)** – Equipment Grants for Milk Agencies to fund equipment purchases that support the Grade “A” Milk Safety Program.
  
  **Examples:** Digital Printers, LED Lights and Flashlights, GPS Devices, Immersion Circulators and Heaters, Pipettes, Probes, Saline Injectors, Other Lab Equipment

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