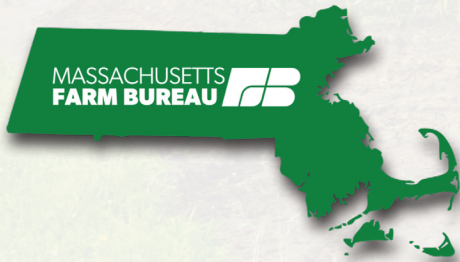


ABOUT MFBF:

The Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF) is a non-profit organization representing over 2,000 family members across the Commonwealth. MFBF is an advocate for farmers run by farmer members who develop policies through its grassroots process.

Policy Development Process:

- 1** Farmers identify issues affecting their farms and submit policy ideas through their county farm bureau.
- 2** County farm bureau members review, discuss, and vote on proposed policy resolutions at the local level.
- 3** Resolutions approved by the counties are submitted to the MFBF Resolutions Committee.
- 4** The Resolutions Committee, made up of farmers from across the state, reviews the submissions and may combine or clarify similar proposals.
- 5** Delegates from County Farm Bureaus debate and vote on the recommendations at the MFBF Annual Meeting.
- 6** Policies adopted by the farmer delegates become the official MFBF policy and guide the organization's advocacy for the coming year.



YOUR VOICE ON THE HILL:

MFBF's mission is to strengthen a diverse agricultural community by supporting and advocating for Massachusetts farm families.



MFBF has a strong record of positive legislative accomplishments for family farms, resulting in laws that keep farmers farming!

From advocating for favorable changes on Chapter 61A farmland taxation policy to supporting the dairy tax credit increases and inclusion of agriculture infrastructure funding in state government budgets, we work for farmers in the Commonwealth!

Additionally, all members at the Farmer level are provided with technical support on local issues and challenges facing agriculture in the Bay State.

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MEMBERSHIP LEVELS:

VOTING MEMBER ANNUAL DUES:

- Farmer Member: \$250**
Farmer members derive income from agricultural commodities; they may vote on issues and sit on committees.
- Gold Club Member: \$350**
Gold members make a supplemental donation in support of agriculture; they may vote on issues and sit on committees.
- Platinum Club Member: \$500**
Platinum members provide financial support to MFBF at the highest level; they may vote on issues and sit on committees.

NON-VOTING MEMBER ANNUAL DUES:

- Student Membership: \$25** (for ages 16-25)
Proof of student status/ID required.
- Advocate - Individual Member: \$80**
Does not receive agricultural income. Eligible for affiliated member benefits.
- Advocate - Family Membership: \$110**
Does not receive agricultural income. Eligible for affiliated member benefits.
- Allied Business Membership: \$225**
This allied membership is for a company or service provider essential to agriculture.

COMMODITIES PRODUCED:

Please indicate which commodity areas best fit the product(s) you produce:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

Please fill out form on the reverse side and send it to our office in Marlborough

MEMBER APPLICATION:

Name: _____

Farm Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town: _____

State & ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Referred by: _____

I hereby apply for an annual membership in the (fill in your county) _____

County Farm Bureau and Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation (which is a member of the American Farm Bureau Federation), whose purpose is to promote, protect, and represent the economic, social, and educational interests of Massachusetts farmers, as well as encourage the protection of agricultural areas and rural interest within the state. I am interested in promoting these objectives through membership.

I understand acceptance or denial and classification of my membership are determined by my county's farm bureau. Contributions, gifts, or membership dues to your county farm bureau or MFBF are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Membership dues are non-refundable and non-returnable. A service fee of \$35 may be assessed for returned checks; if preferred, you may pay with a credit card by calling our office at 508-481-4766.

Signature: _____

Please select your membership level on reverse side

MEMBER BENEFITS:

Networking & Meeting Events

- Annual MFBF meeting & delegates session
- Ag Day at the State House
- Livestock on the Boston Common
- County Farm Bureau meetings
- County Farm Bureau legislative events

Communications & Public Relations

- News & Views quarterly newspaper
- The MFBF Brief e-blast
- Exclusive MFBF Facebook chat group

Cost-Savings Benefits Package

MFBF member benefits include discounts on items you use every day; these discounts alone could pay for your membership.

Visit <https://bit.ly/MFBFdiscounts> for the full list of discounts and benefits!

Join us today!

While we work **for** you, we can't work **without** you! We depend on support from our members; the annual dues we collect provide us with the economic wherewithal to be a stronger advocate for Massachusetts agriculture.

Scan the code below to join now, or fill out the enclosed form and mail it to us today!



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