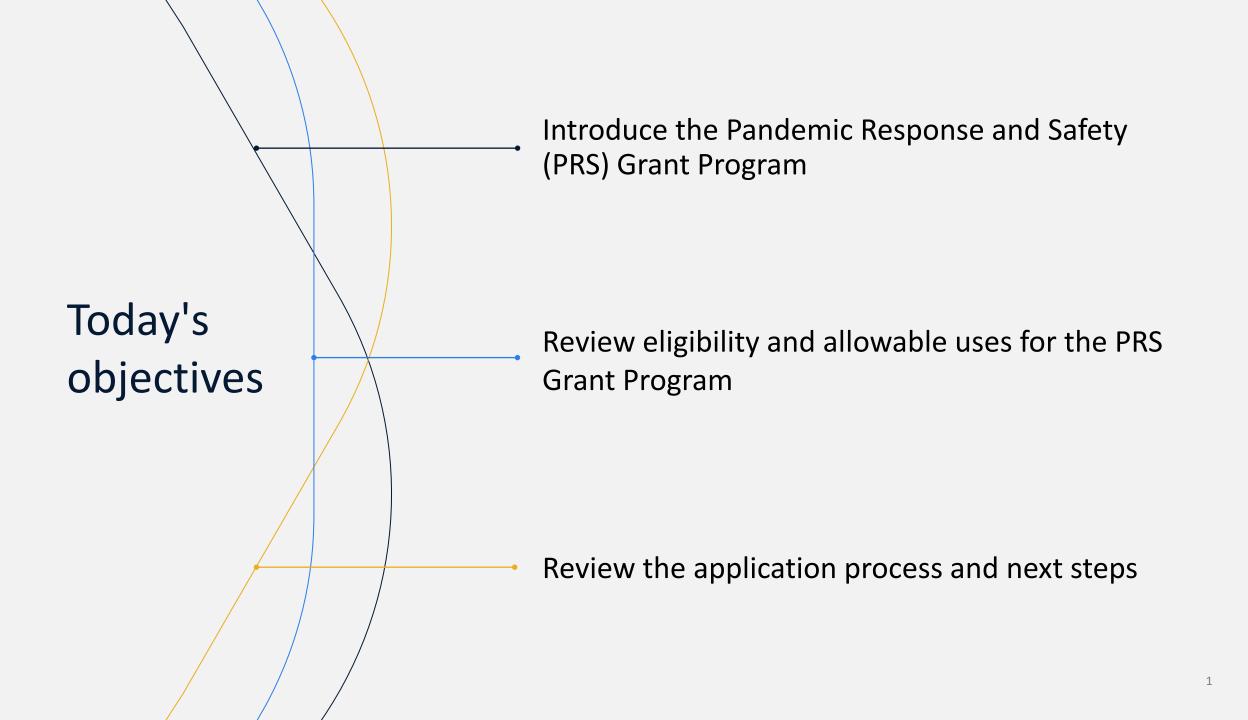
American Rescue Plan Pandemic Response and Safety Grant Program

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The PRS Grant Program provides funding for agricultural producers and distributors

To recover costs incurred by responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, including measures to protect workers<sup>1</sup>



Small specialty crop producers



Food processors



Manufacturers



Distributors



Farmers markets

# Who is eligible for the PRS Grant Program?



### **Small businesses**

- USDA is targeting support to small businesses in certain commodity areas and to farmers markets
- Small businesses in certain commodity areas including small scale specialty crop producers and processors
- These businesses were significantly impacted by the pandemic and received insufficient federal funding
- All businesses must meet the SBA small business qualifications for the eligible industry
- All farmers markets are eligible and considered as "small"



## Nonprofits having 501(c)(3) status

- Excludes institutions of higher education
- All entities must be domestic entities owned, operated and located within the United States and/or its territories

See <u>Appendix A</u> for a full list of eligible industry groups

## <u>Allowable uses</u>: What can I use the funding for?

#### Grants will cover activities associated with:



#### Workplace Safety

Workplace safety measures, including, but not limited to, personal protective equipment, sanitizer, hand washing stations, air filters, etc.



#### **Market Pivots**

Market pivots such as transition to virtual/online sales costs, supplies, new signage.



#### **Retrofitting Facilities**

Retrofitting facilities for worker and consumer safety (plexiglass, walk up windows, heat lamps, fans, tents, propane, weights, tables, chairs).



#### Transportation

Additional transportation costs incurred to maintain social distancing.



#### Worker Housing

Additional worker housing costs incurred to maintain social distancing or to allow for quarantining of new or exposed employees.



#### Medical

Unreimbursed costs associated with providing or enabling vaccinations, testing, or healthcare of infected employees, including any paid leave.

# Application dates



Application period opened on October 6, 2021



Application period closes on November 22, 2021 at 11:59pm Eastern Time

All applications submitted before the deadline will be considered for funding. Applications will not be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis.

# Applications should be submitted on <u>PRS</u> <u>Grant Program</u> <u>webpage</u>

Applicants must submit online a complete application package, which consists of the following forms:

- Applicant Organization Form
- PRS Activity Checklist (Appendix B)



PRS applications are submitted online through the PRS Grant Program website



All applicants must obtain a DUNS number before applying

<u>Prepare to apply</u>: Next Steps

