

FmHA Makes Loans to Minority Farmers

Portland, OR. - Minorities with farm experience and training may want to inquire at any one of the FmHA's 19 County Offices about a Farm Ownership loan under a program designed to reach out to "socially disadvantaged groups" in Oregon, Donald D. Thompson, FmHA State Director said recently.

Mandated by the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987, the program is in it's third year of operation. Under the program, FmHA encourages eligible minority farmers to apply for a Farm Ownership loan for the purchase of farm land. Applicants who have farm - related experience and training, but are unable to obtain their needed credit elsewhere, should contact their nearest FmHA County Office.

FmHA defines socially disadvantaged population groups as Hispanics, Native Americans, Blacks, Asians and Pacific Islanders.

"Eligible applicants can acquire a loan to purchase a farm in two different ways. An applicant can find suitable farm property and then come to us to finance it. FmHA also has farm property available for sale in many counties, and can provide financing for it's purchase. In either case, interested parties should come to see us about how to apply," Thompson said.

Interested applicants should contact their nearest FmHA County Office for more information. These offices are located in Albany, Baker, Coquille, Dallas, Eugene, Hillsboro, Klamath Falls, La Grand, Madras, McMinnville, Medford, Ontario, Oregon City, Pendleton, Redmond, Salem, St. Helens and The Dalles.

Siletz Tribal Evergreen In Siletz:

Is now buying Fern, Salal, Huck, etc. Need new pickers. Highest prices paid (daily). To arrange pick up time in your area, call Frank at 444-1347.

Sometimes I feel like a lawnmower, just waiting for someone or something to cross my path so I can chew it up and spit it out.

But that's just when I'm angry.

Sometimes I feel like a spring chick just hatched, so cheerful, just like the bright color yellow. Just seeing the world for the very first time my way.

On other times I feel like a raindrop just waiting to fall, that's when I'm depressed.

Sometimes I feel like dropping a water balloon on someone's head, thinking nothing can go wrong.

By Jennifer Leno, Grade 5

One day at my school, Green Acres, I was in my poetry class and the teacher had assigned us to write about our emotions, such as anger, cheerfulness and depression.

I never thought my principal would choose my poem to turn in to the Lebanon Express Newspaper, but she did! P.S. The principal still reads my poem over the intercom quite often, because it might influence kids to express themselves more.

Jennifer Leno

Enrollment Report

Dear Fellow Tribal Members and Friends,
The enrollment office has been mailing a questionnaire to tribal members who are 18 years and over. The information that is returned is entered into the data base and used for statistical purposes. I have been mailing applications to households whose children are not yet enrolled. The return has resulted in 80 new enrollee's. Our membership now totals 2646. Congratulations our new members!

The questionnaire has enabled me to make over 1100 updates to my clients files. I cannot stress the importance of having current information for program statistics. The following clients have had their mail returned to this office. Please call or write so I may have your current address.

Douglas Anderson
Samuel Aro Jr.
Pearl Blakely
Paul Boerckel Jr.
Larry Borquez
Dwight Brooks
Wayne Brooks
Laurie Cathcart
Kelly Chapman
Marvin Davis
Stanley Erickson
Lowita Estrada
Harold Gleason
William Grenia
Sharon Herron
Belden Jeffers
Ladd Jeffers
Arlene Johnson
Arlene Kautz
Delores Knight
Dennis Knight
Jesse Knight
William Knight
Carl Landon
Elizabeth Langley

Pamela Langley
Rory Lash
Robert Leno
Pearl Morgan
Lena Nichols
Kelley Phillips
Melody Pinneo
Tina Ream-Lockett
Duane Rose
Gregory Russie
Robyn Scalf
James Sears
Todd Shandy
Ken Sherwood
Milton Sherwood Jr.
Patricia Sherwood
Claudia Simmons
Margaret Sorenson
Andrew Tamburino
Dale Thomas
Brenda Tuomi
Roberta Vance
Terri Warren
Timothy Warren

The Enrollment Committee is in the process of developing accurate Family trees. Hopefully by December, I will be able to provide a family tree for interested individuals. If you need applications, an I.D. card, or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Margo Mercier, Enrollment Director

Looking for Books about Minorities?

The first annual catalog is now available from the Minority Publishers Exchange, a national network of nearly a thousand independent publishers of color. Over thirty publishers have books or products included in the catalog.

The catalog includes books on career information, history, college, minority student services, family issues, women, reference directories, cook books and audio tapes of some of America's foremost writers of color. Greeting cards, how to books, fiction and table games round out a wide selection of books and products listed in the catalog.

Requests for the free 16 page catalog must include 65 cents for postage for shipping costs. Mail to Minority Publishers Exchange, P.O. Box 9869, Madison, WI 53715 or call (608)244-5633.

Announcing the 13th Annual Cow Creek Umpqua Pow Wow at South Umpqua Falls

July 20th - set up

July 21st - Pow Wow - Main meal served at 2:00 p.m.

July 22nd - Breakdown

We welcome drummers, dancers, singers, crafts, etc. Enjoy fresh air, clean fun, good company and much more!

ABSOLUTELY NO POLITICKING OR SUBSTANCE ABUSE. Dogs must be on leash. This will be enforced. For more information, call Chairman, Rose Deardorff 874-3201 or Co-Chairman, Terry O'Dell or Louella Michaels 839-6454.

Dance Class

Dance classes for the Pow Wow will be held every Monday night from 6:30 to 8:30 at the Tribal office or the Grade School depending on the size of the class.

Cemetery Committee Meeting

3rd Wednesday of every month
Next meeting : July 18th, 1990



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