Finding Farmland Educational Resources

The list below includes all of the educational resources referenced in the Finding Farmland Course. [youngfarmers.org/finding-farmland-course]

If you find a broken link, please reach out to land@youngfarmers.org for assistance.

Lesson 1: Financial Decision Making for Land Access

Finding Farmland Calculator
Farm Finances Glossary
Farmland Access Tool
USDA Farmers Seeking Land
Directory of State Depts. of Ag.

Lesson 2: Land Tenure Options

Farm Access Methods Guide
Farm Access Decision Tool
Growing on Solid Ground
National Directory of Land Link Programs
Farm Incubator Map

Lesson 3: Farm Goals & Financial Planning

Cash Flow Budget Templates
AgPlan
AgPlan Financial Spreadsheet
Farm Answers
Business Plan Workbook for New Farmers
SCORE
Business Model Canvas
Sample Farm Business Plan
Lesson 4: Prepare to Meet a Lender

Financial Statements Templates
Lender Preparation Checklist
Credit Report
FICO Score Explained

The Carrot Project
National Young Farmers Coalition
AnnualCreditReport.com
Investopedia

Lesson 5: Farm Financing Options

Farm Service Agency Guidebook
USDA Service Center Locator
Find Your Local Farm Credit
State Beginning Farmer Loan Programs
State Agricultural Finance Programs
Kiva 0% Interest Microloans
Affording Our Land: Financial Literacy Guidebook
Grassroots Financing Guide

National Young Farmers Coalition
USDA
Farm Credit
American Farmland Trust
National Council of State Ag. Finance Programs
Kiva
Greenhorns
Sustainable Economies Law Center

Lesson 6: Land Access Partners

Farmer’s Guide to Working with Land Trusts
Land Access Partnerships Case Studies
Find a Land Trust
Land Trusts Involved in Urban Ag.
Preserving Affordable Working Farms
Featherbed Farm Land Access Case Study
The Basics of Impact Investors

National Young Farmers Coalition
National Young Farmers Coalition
Land Trust Alliance
Center for CLT Innovation
Equity Trust
Equity Trust
Small Farm Quarterly

Lesson 7: Leasing Farmland

Leasing Farmland Toolbox
Farmland Information Center
Elements of a Good Farm Lease
Farm Rental Assessment Checklist
Drafting a Lease: Questions to Ask
Lease to Own Factsheet

Land For Good
American Farmland Trust
Land For Good
UVM Extension
Farm Commons
California FarmLink
Lesson 8: Buying Farmland

- Real Estate Transactions Step by Step
- Compare Farm Transfer Methods
- Legal Considerations for Farm Buyers
- Working with a Lawyer
- Primer on Owner-Financed Sales
- Effective Land Contract Toolbox

Lesson 9: Transitioning Farmland & Businesses

- LLC-Based Farm Transfer
- LLC Creation Checklist
- Farm Succession Guidebook
- Farm Transfer Planning Toolbox
- Farm Transfer Planning Diagram
- Riverhill Farm Succession Story
- King Hill Farm Succession Story