

Montgomery County Conservation Plan Writing Reimbursement Program

The Montgomery County Conservation Plan Reimbursement Program will assist landowners of preserved farms in Montgomery County with the cost of updating their conservation plans. The Montgomery County Agricultural Land Preservation Board acknowledges the financial cost incurred by the landowners of preserved farmland to create or update their conservation plan to be in compliance of their deed. As written in the Commonwealth law, a current conservation plan, written by a certified conservation plan writer, must be in place and followed. A conservation plan does not expire; however, an update is required if the operation type changes. Reimbursement will be provided at a rate of 50% cost of having a conservation plan written or updated, or up to \$750. Note that this money is limited and will be available on a first come first serve basis.

Program requirements:

- Conservation plans to qualify for this program will benefit previously preserved farms located in Montgomery County. Farms new or in application to the Farmland Preservation Program are ineligible.
- Submission of an application, copy of conservation plan, and paid receipt from plan writer.
- Field verification by Montgomery County Conservation District that the newly written or updated conservation plan is adequate.
- Conservation plans that have been created or updated prior to 2014 are ineligible.
- Conservation plans must be written by a certified conservation plan writer. We suggest contacting several to compare pricing and timelines. Contact the Montgomery County Conservation District for a list of certified plan writers.

Application for Conservation Plan Reimbursement Program

Submit following completion of conservation plan writing by certified conservation plan writer.

Date _____

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Farm Address (if different from mailing address):

Phone: _____

Email (if applicable): _____

Preserved Farm Parcel Number (s): _____

Name of Conservation Plan Writer: _____

Cost of Plan Writing Cost: _____

Receipt Attached: Y / N

Conservation Plan Attached: Y / N

Please include a copy of the conservation plan and the receipt in order to be eligible for reimbursement.