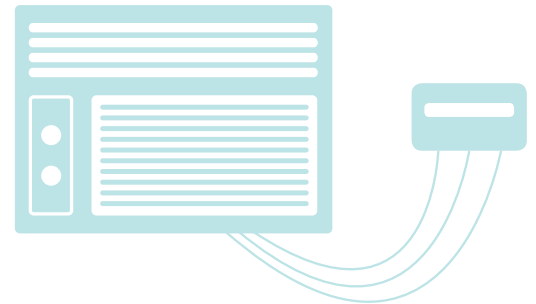


DIY COLD STORAGE COST SHARE

The South Carolina Department of Agriculture and South Carolina Specialty Crop Growers Association is proud to announce the Cold Storage Cost Share Program. Through funding from the USDA Specialty Crop Block Grant, farmers can get reimbursed up to \$750 for installing a Cool-Bot cooler system.

The Cool-Bot utilizes a traditional window-unit air conditioner. It uses multiple sensors, a heating element, and a programmed micro-controller to direct your air conditioner's compressor to operate in a such a way to cool the room to 36° F, without ever freezing up.



FOR REIMBURSEMENT, THE FOLLOWING IS REQUIRED:

- Must be South Carolina Farmer
- Must produce specialty crops
- Attend a food safety workshop hosted by SCDA or Clemson Extension. Proof of attendance must be provided in application for reimbursement.
- Provide primary source documentation for all expenditures related to installation of the cold storage technology unit
- Provide photos of the completed cold storage unit showing the Cool-Bot system. Mail to address provided or email to bdorton@scda.sc.gov
- Enable an on-site audit by a key SCDA person to authenticate cold storage technology is being used solely for specialty crops
- Provide data, information, statistics and/or testimonials after six months and twelve months of installation of the cold storage unit to SCDA for the purpose of tracking project success

Funding for this program was made available from the USDA AMS Specialty Crop Block Grant Program

APPLICATION

COMPLETE AND RETURN TO:

SCDA COLD STORAGE COST SHARE • ATTN: BETSY DORTON, GRANTS COORDINATOR
PO BOX 11280 • COLUMBIA, SC 29211

Name _____

Farm Name _____

Physical Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail _____

SCIES Vendor Number _____

NOTE: Each company requesting reimbursement must obtain a State of SC Vendor Number. This process is free, and can be completed at <http://procurement.sc.gov/PS/vendor/PS-vendor-registration.phtm>. This step is in lieu of submitting private information, including W9 forms, to the SC Department of Agriculture.

Reimbursement Amount Requested _____

Please include receipts or other documentation of all expenditures associated with the installation of your cold storage unit with this application.

List Specialty Crops _____

Date + Location of Food Safety Workshop Attended _____

- Check if photos are included or have been emailed to bdorton@scda.sc.gov**
- Check to give SCDA permission to perform an on-site visit**

Cold Storage Cost Share Program Terms and Agreements

Through my signature below, I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the terms during the application process and throughout my participation in the Cold Storage Cost Share Program.



Signature

Date

