



## Beginning Farmer-Rancher Development Program Application

Please complete the application information below and e-mail to [mwillich@kohalacenter.org](mailto:mwillich@kohalacenter.org), fax to 808-885-6707, or mail to The Kohala Center, P.O. Box 437462, Kamuela, Hawai'i 96743.

Name					
Address 1					
Address 2					
City		State		ZIP Code	
Cell Phone			Alt Phone		
Email					
Date of Birth				Gender	

Please answer the following questions to help us gauge your level of interest, experience, and potential to develop a successful commercial farm.

1. What are you looking to gain from our Beginning Farmer-Rancher Development Program?

2. What are your short-term farming goals (first three years)?  
*(e.g., Are you interested in farming full time or part time?  
 Do you have any ideas on crops and marketing plans?)*

3. What are your long-term farming goals (five to 10 years)?

4. Do you have a business plan?  Yes  No

5. Do you have any farming and business experience?  Yes  No  
If Yes, please describe.

6. Developing a commercial farm requires a significant investment of time and financing.  
Please describe your situation as it relates to the resources to which you have access to start up your farm operation.

*(e.g., Are you currently employed? Is someone else in your household able to cover/contribute to expenses? How much time will you realistically have to devote to this project?)*

7. Are you currently farming?  Yes  No

If Yes, please describe what are you producing, if you are selling your products, and where.

8. Do you currently have access to farmland?  Yes  No  
*If Yes, please provide a brief description of the farmland available to you.*  
*If No, are you actively looking for land to lease or purchase?*  Yes  No

9. A limited number of farm apprenticeship opportunities are available for those interested in gaining hands-on farming experience. Would you be interested in committing to working one to two days per week on an area farm?  Yes  No

10. How did you find out about our Beginning Farmer-Rancher Development Program?

### Program Fees

Tuition for the program is \$250.00 per student\*. Tuition payment is required within seven (7) days of notification of acceptance to the program. Online, local check, money order, and credit card payment options will be available.

Please indicate your acceptance of the Tuition policy:  Yes  No

*\*Interested applicants for whom tuition may be a barrier to enrollment are encouraged to contact Melanie Willich at [mwillich@kohalacenter.org](mailto:mwillich@kohalacenter.org).*

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Signature of Applicant

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Date