

OCT 16, 2019

IF YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A FARMER THE STATE WANTS TO HELP OUT. THE CUOMO ADMINISTRATION HAS ANNOUNCED ONE MILLION DOLLARS IN GRANTS AVAILABLE TO NEW FARMERS. THE MONEY CAN BE USED TO DEVELOP FARM OPERATIONS WITH NEW CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPMENT, AND MACHINERY FOR SUPPORTING HARVESTING AND PRODUCT PROCESSING. ANY FARM LESS THAN TEN YEARS OLD CAN APPLY FOR THE FUNDS, WHICH ARE HANDED OUT IN LUMP SUMS UP TO FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

DEC 13, 2019

AGRICULTURE IS BOOMING ACROSS NEW YORK. NEW FIGURES SHOW SALES OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES HAVE SOARED 35 PERCENT OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS. A MAJOR FORCE FOR THAT GROWTH IS THE LOCAL FOOD MOVEMENT, WHICH HAS TAKEN HOLD HERE IN THE UTICA ROME AREA. SMALL FARMS ARE OFFERING LOCALLY GROWN PRODUCE, POULTRY, AND MEAT, MUCH OF IT ORGANICALLY GROWN. THE BIGGEST GROWTH HAS COME IN THE SALE OF LOCALLY PRODUCED CHICKEN AND EGGS, WHICH HAS JUMPED 63 PERCENT.