

## The Honorable Gene Hugoson

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Base Grant: \$500,000  
Specialty Crop Grant: \$1,320,000  
Total Grant: \$1,820,000

### Potato Market Development:

Red River Potato Growers Association, \$420,000.  
Market development and field merchandising.

### “Minnesota Grown”:

Minnesota Grown Program, \$370,000.  
Participants for research, promotion and marketing of specialty crops and associations (principally a collaborative effort of the Minnesota Fruit and Vegetable Association, the Minnesota Nursery and Landscape Association, the Minnesota Christmas Tree Association and the Minnesota Apple Growers).

### Pest and Disease Prevention:

Midwest Food Processors Association, \$300,000.  
Pest and disease prevention in sweet corn, peas and snap beans, and enhancement of a web-based information system.

### Dry Bean Research and Promotion:

Minnesota Dry Bean  
Research and Promotion Council, \$150,000.  
Research of an effective crop desiccant and added value promotion of kidney beans.

### Emergency Food and Transportation:

Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning, \$128,000.  
Emergency food and transportation assistance for hunger solutions.

### Identity Preserve:

Minnesota Grain and Feed Association, \$100,000.  
Planning and development of a nonprofit shippers association for identity-preserved specialty crops.

### Improved Rye Grass:

Northern Forage-Turf Seed Committee, \$50,000.  
Development of improved rye grass.

### International Market Development:

Minnesota Cultivated Wild Rice Council, \$25,000.  
International market development.

### Market Development:

Apple Crisp Cooperative, \$25,000.  
Market development.

### Soybean Product Development:

Farm Connect Cooperative, \$25,000.  
Development of new soybean products.

### Farmers Market Support:

Growers of the St. Paul Farmers Market, \$25,000.

### Animal Health:

Minnesota Board of Animal Health, \$25,000.

### Web Development:

Toolshed Ag Information Network, \$25,000.  
Web enhancements.

### Buckwheat:

“Buckwheat” Sustainable Farming Association of Minnesota, \$5,000.

### Minnesota Ag Promotion:

Minnesota Department of Agriculture, \$35,000.  
Video production promoting Minnesota agriculture in 4 languages that was used on three Governor-led trade missions.

### New Markets - Mexico and Europe:

Minnesota Research and Promotion Council, \$25,000.  
Market development projects in Mexico and Europe.

### Canola Market Development:

Minnesota Canola Council, \$10,000.  
Market development projects that focus on consumer and industry awareness in Mexico.

### Identify Preserve:

Minnesota Soybean Research and Promotion Council, \$25,000.  
Development of a west coast identity-preserved shipping project.

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**Asian and Latin America Market Development:**

[Kaehler Farms, \\$12,700.](#)

Beef international market development in Asia and Latin America.

**International Market Development:**

[Earthwise Food Processors, \\$12,700.](#)

Food grade soybeans international market development in Asia and Latin America.

**Latin America Market Development:**

[Minnesota Barley](#)

[Research and Promotion Council, \\$5,000.](#)

International market development in Latin America.