

YOUR OFFICE NAME RECEIVES GRANT

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Your city and state., April 1, 2019 -- The North Central Extension Risk Management Education Center (NCERMEC) recently awarded (**amount awarded to you**) to **your name** at **your institution** for programming to develop risk management programming for ag producers. (**Your Project Name**) will address (**what your project will address**) for ag producers in (**state or area targeted**).

According to (**your name, project director**) this funding will be used to develop and implement educational programming addressing (**your topic**). **Producers will.....or our program goal is..... Expand on what producers will gain from your project.**

Programming will begin (**approximate time table**). For the 18th straight year, the Extension Risk Management Education program has awarded grants for projects that educate farmers and ranchers with tools they need to address the uncertainties in farm income and manage their risk. Funding decisions are made by an Advisory Council of peers from the 12-state north central region who specialize in agricultural risk management. The funding year began April 1 and ends September 30, 2020.

“This funding will be used to develop and implement educational programming for agricultural producers addressing production, human resources, financial, legal and marketing risk,” said Brad Lubben, NCERMEC program director. Project directors are from north central universities, government agencies and non-profit organizations. In addition to these ERME grants, five projects were each awarded \$3,000 to explore needs for future programming.

The North Central Extension Risk Management Education Program is funded by USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) and has been hosted by the University of Nebraska–Lincoln Department of Agricultural Economics and Nebraska Extension since 2001. The Center was recently awarded \$3.1M by USDA/NIFA to remain the north central host for three more years. In addition to the North Central Center, ERME regional centers are located across the country at the University of Delaware (Northeast), the University of Arkansas (Southern) and Washington State University (West).

For more information and to see a full listing of funding recipients and their projects, go to www.ncerme.org.

