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Georgia Centennial Farm applications open now

Atlanta, Ga. (February 5, 2025) – Georgia Centennial Farm applications are now open to all qualifying candidates with a deadline of May 1, 2025.

Farms play a pivotal role in shaping Georgia's legacy, serving as the bedrock for economic, cultural, and familial traditions for generations of Georgians. Several farms boast a legacy spanning more than a century, and the state recognizes their historical significance through the Georgia Centennial Farm program.

More than three decades ago, the Centennial Farm program was created to draw attention to historic farms and to encourage preservation. Since 1993, the program has recognized more than 630 farms around the state.

Nominees must be working farms with a minimum of 10 acres of the original purchase, actively involved in agricultural production, and must generate at least \$1,000 in annual farm-generated income. In addition, farms must have been continuously farmed by members of the same family for at least 100 years or must be listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Qualifying Georgia Centennial Farms are honored each October during an awards ceremony at the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter in Perry.

The Georgia Centennial Farm program is administered by the Historic Preservation Division of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, Georgia Farm Bureau Federation, Georgia Department of Agriculture, Georgia EMC, Georgia National Fair and Agricenter, and University of Georgia Cooperative Extension.

For more information, contact Rose Mayo, Historic Preservation Division Outreach Coordinator, at 770-855-2586 or rose.mayo@dca.ga.gov. The postmark deadline for applications is May 1, 2025, and they are available online at dca.georgia.gov/community-assistance/historic-preservation/centennial-farms-program.

About the Historic Preservation Division

The Historic Preservation Division (HPD) of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) serves as Georgia's state historic preservation office. HPD's programs include archaeology protection and education, environmental review, grants, historic resource surveys, tax incentives, the National Register of Historic Places, community planning, and technical assistance.

About the Department of Community Affairs

The Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) partners with communities to build strong and vibrant neighborhoods, commercial and industrial areas through community and economic development, local government assistance, and safe and affordable housing. Using state and federal resources, DCA helps communities spur private job creation, implement planning, develop downtowns, generate affordable housing solutions, and promote volunteerism. DCA also helps qualified Georgians with low and moderate incomes buy homes, rental housing and prevent foreclosure and homelessness. For more information, visit dca.georgia.gov.



