

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE

Vulnerable Household Food Production Program 2026/27

The Department of Agriculture invites all interested vulnerable households registered in the indigent household register of the Municipality or Department of Social Development/Department of Health programs. This program aims to support indigent and vulnerable households of the Eastern Cape to have access to nutritious food.

Qualifying Applicants

Applicants must be in the indigent register of the Municipality or Social Development. Applicants with referral letter from Councillor, Traditional Authority, Social Worker and Local Clinic for the household are also eligible for this support. The applicant must have access to land for food production.

Requisite Documents

Application form
Proof of land ownership or legitimate right to occupy the land
Copy of Identity Documents of applicant

What Can You Apply For

Food production inputs
Gardening equipment

Exclusion Criteria

Beneficiaries already supported in the crop production program
Beneficiaries already supported in the smallholder poultry and piggery programs
Applicants who are in full employment or in government payroll system
Beneficiaries already supported by Local Municipality/DALRRD



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Terms and Condition of Application

The beneficiary must ensure effective and productive usage of all equipment and inputs (assets may be removed if not used productively/misused).

The beneficiary will allow the Department to have access to the farm for Extension services and monitoring purposes.

NB! Application forms are available in all DOA Offices and DOE Website (www.ecagriculture.gov.za).

The beneficiary will commit to participate in the capacity building and training programmes facilitated by the Department and its commodity partners.

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The deadline for application forms is 31 October 2025



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