



Annual Report

Grant Year 2018-2019

AgrAbility of Wisconsin

Client Demographics

AgrAbility of Wisconsin project staff reported serving 361 farmers and ranchers with disabilities during their respective 2018- 2019 Reporting Period (RP). This RP begins with the individual project beginning date of September 1, 2018 and ends on August 31, 2019 for all projects. This brief report includes information for only the AgrAbility of Wisconsin project which is funded by USDA/NIFA. Most of the clients served were employed full time as the owner/operator of the farm or ranch and were male. The three most common primary types of agricultural operations are dairy, livestock, and field/grain operations. The leading primary disabilities were

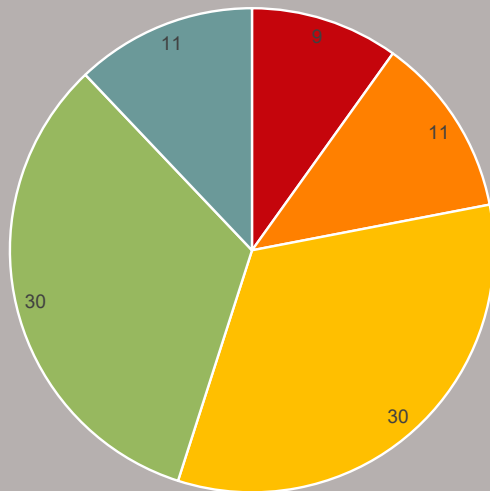
joint injuries and back injuries, arthritis, amputations, and orthopedic injuries.

The reporting method for the current RP included data provided by our project using the templates developed by the Wisconsin NAP. It should be noted that the total Percentage reported in tables rarely equals 100 percent due to rounding. to the nearest 0.0 decimal place.

Grant Outcomes:

- 261 Total Active Clients
- 54 New Clients
- 45 Closed Cases
- 138 Farm Site Visits

Top 5 Disabilities



■ Amputation
 ■ Arthritis
 ■ Back Injury
 ■ Joint Injury
 ■ Orthopedic Injury

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Exhibits and Presentations 2018-2019

Healthcare

- WI Technical Colleges
- UW-System Campuses
- State Associations-PT and OT

Agriculture

- Farm shows
- FFA
- Ag Agents

Government

- WI Vocational Rehabilitation
- Federal Agencies

FFA Groups

- Farm Presentations
- Class Presentations
- State FFA Convention

Media Exposure 2018-2019

- *Press Release for AgrAbility funded for another 4 years*
- *Article "AgrAbility partnerships keep disabled farmers working" WI State Farmer*
- *Article "For Wisconsin farmers with disabilities, AgrAbility is a viable solution" Daily Cardinal*
- *Article "New Holstein family, Chilton man honored by Easter Seals Wisconsin" Fond du lac Reporter*
- *Wisconsin State Farmer*
- *The Daily Cardinal*
- *Fond du lac Reporter*
- *Fabulous Farm Babe Farm Report*
- *UW Extension*
- *Easter Seals Website and Social Media*
- *AAW Website*
- *The Country Today*
- *Wisconsin Ag Connection*
- *Wisconsin Agriculturalist*
- *Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation*



Action Project

For Wisconsin farmers with disabilities, AgrAbility is a viable solution



AgrAbility of Wisconsin, formed through a partnership between the UW Extension and Easter Seals of Wisconsin, provides assistance to an estimated 38,740 Wisconsin farmers with limitations or disabilities — including chronic illnesses, agriculture or non-agriculture-related injuries, and mental health issues.

If you're on **Facebook**, search *AgrAbility of Wisconsin* and "like" our page to get news, updates, and the latest from the AgrAbility office.

Twitter users can search "AgrAbilityWI" and "follow" us for fun facts, resources, and updates!

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