

Projects aimed to improve food supply resilience through increasing slaughter, expanding meat processing capacity and/or promoting worker safety. The program, funded through the CARES Act, reimbursed up to 50% of eligible expenses, with a maximum award of \$150,000. Following federal guidance, grants only reimbursed eligible costs incurred from March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020. Grantees demonstrated how they were negatively impacted by COVID-19 and justify how their project and expenses were related to the pandemic.

FAST FACTS

- Total Applications Received: 60
 - Total Funds Requested: \$6,810,732
 - Total Projects Completed: 40
 - Total State Investment: \$3,784,293.74
 - Total Matching Funds: \$5,872,696.41
 - Average Increase in Processing Capacity (per facility)*: 97%
 - Median Increase in Processing Capacity (per facility)*: 58%
- *Increases in processing capacity varied due to the step in the process that was measured/invested in. For example: increases in grinding capacity were much larger than those in slaughter.*

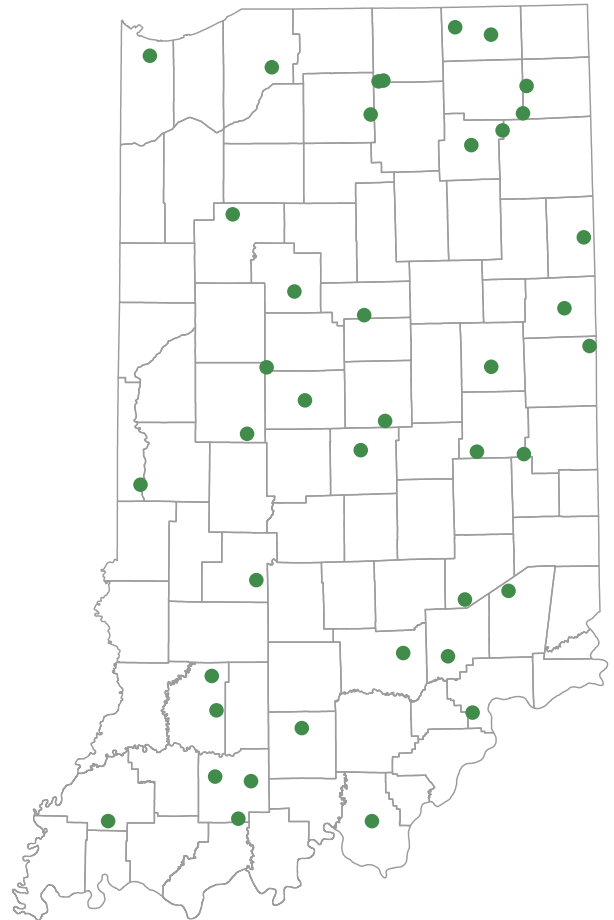
JOBS SUPPORTED AND CREATED

	Existing Jobs	Jobs Created	Percent Increase
Full Time	660	135	20%
Part Time	267	72	27%
Contract	35	30	85%
Total Positions	962	237	25%

PRIMARY FUNDING CATEGORIES

- Expansion of cooler areas/new freezers/new refrigerator units
- New processing equipment (grinders, meat slicers, patty machines, smokers, meat stuffers, knife additions, etc.)
- Addition of railing systems
- Building remodels/additions/electrical changes
- New storage/transport/etc.
- New packaging equipment
- Protections for employees (PPE, sanitation, etc.)
- Additional labor for projects
- Larger storage pens
- New computers and software
- Better sale displays

COMPLETED PROJECTS



FURTHER NEEDS

- Upgraded Facilities
 - Equipment
 - Retail
 - Expansion
 - New Inspection
 - E-Commerce
- *Ranked in order of prevalence from report responses*