**Regional Food Business Centers (RFBC)** Resilient Food System Infrastructure (RFSI) **Business Builder Subaward Program Program** Awarded February 2024 – July 2026 (rolling) Awarded May 25, 2023 (one time) All activities completed by May 24, 2027 Business Builder activities completed by January 2027 Award Amount Formula funded to each State/Territory \$100,000 maxiumum per entity Infrastructure Grant (subawards): \$100,000 to \$3,000,000 Equipment-Only Grant (subawards): \$10,000 - \$100,000 Regional Food Business Center Lead State Department of Agriculture **Lead Organization** Cooperator or Designated Administrator Funding to assist states to build resilience in the Funding provided directly to a farm middle-of-the-supply-chain and strengthen local and or food business to strengthen viability **Program Focus** regional food systems. This program is to support and expand market access. Funding is for food system crops and products meant for human specific physical technical, or consumption (excluding meat and poultry products). logistical capacity needs. "Middle of the supply chain" for local and Regionally defined small and mid-sized farm regional agricultural food products. Exclusion of **Sectors Supported** and food businesses. meat/poultry. مگره Business planning, feasibility studies, staff Activities that expand capacity and infrastructure for time, value chain coordination, product the aggregation, processing, manufacturing, development, brand collateral, equipment **Activities** storing, transporting, wholesaling, or distribution of (with specific conditions and prior approval), targeted agricultural products. State Led Supply Chain specialized consulting etc. Coordination and technical support. No match requirement. An entity may Will fund new construction, delivery vehicles, receive unlimited business Special facility upgrades, term-staff. Infrastructure Grants trainings, technical assistance, access to non-Consideration have a 50% match requirement. Equipment-Only financial resources, etc., but may only Grants have NO match requirement. receive a maximum of \$100,000 of direct funding in the form of Business

Builder Subawards.