



USDA VAPG CLIENT AWARDS		
2011		
Holder Brothers Beef	\$300,000	Funds will be used to market 12,000 head of all natural, dry aged Angus beef through two brick mortar stores and online sales.
2010		
(Program was postponed until 2011)		
2009		
J. Berry Nursery	\$300,000	New hibiscus line of products
2008		
Texas Agriculture Cooperative	\$300,000	Working capital expenses for the development of a whole dressed catfish product.
Mea Nursery	\$300,000	Working capital expenses for the development of an ecofriendly rose packaging program.
2007		
J. Berry Nursery	\$300,000	Working capital expenses for the development of the knock-out rose program.
Gentz Cattle Company	\$50,000	Working capital expenses for the development of natural Longhorn beef sales.
Southwest Energy & Feed Inc.	\$300,000	Working capital expenses for biodiesel production and sales.
2006		
Avery Foods	\$150,000	Working capital expenses associated with marketing raw, peeled, and deveined boxed shrimp and formed, breaded, and seasoned shrimp products.
Bee County Coop Association, LLC	\$300,000	To pay for working capital expenses associated with marketing bio-diesel made from cottonseed.
Clifton Raeke & Sons Farm	\$65,000	To assess the feasibility of and develop a business plan for marketing wood chips made from Mesquite and Huisache trees for use as a fuel.
Gentz Cattle Company, LLC	\$25,000	To assess the feasibility of marketing beef from naturally-raised Longhorn cattle.
Planter's Grain Cooperative	\$298,180	To pay for working capital expenses associated with marketing identity-preserved feed ingredients, including corn, wheat, soybeans, cottonseed, distillers dried grains, rice, and cottonseed meal.
2005		
Affordable Building Systems dba Durra Building Systems	\$100,000	Funds will be used to assess the feasibility for building "universal houses" using strawboard as a main material for homes in Texas and the Southwest U.S.
Apispedegree, LP dba Genetic Resources International	\$150,000	Funds will be used to support the production of bovine gender pre-determined embryos for the global market, through purchase of supplies and labor costs.
Inguran, LP dba Sexing Technologies	\$150,000	Funds will be used to expand sales and market sexing technology or "gender sorting" of bovine semen for sale to ranchers worldwide.
Leaning Oaks Vineyards JV	\$49,944	Funds will be used to operate a wine processing facility, expand to target markets, and assist with salaries and production costs.
Preferred Bird of Texas	\$30,500	Funds will be used to assess feasibility of



		growing natural, grass-feed poultry in Texas.
Texas Hair Sheep Producers Association	\$94,836	Funds will be used to implement a marketing campaign, maintain the facilities, and produce meat and leather.
2004		
Texas Best Organics, LLC	\$150,000	Grant funds will be used for working capital expenses for marketing organic rice flour.
Affordable Building Systems, LLC	\$134,375	Grant funds will be used for working capital expenses for marketing a commercial acoustical theater wall building system out of wheat straw.
2002		
Affordable Building Systems, LLC	\$137,500	Grant funds will be used for working capital expenses for marketing a commercial ceiling system out of wheat straw.