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## **FCA Foundation Grants \$100,000 to Establish National Black Farmers Association Scholarship Program**

*Scholarship Program With the National Black Farmers Association Supports African American Farmers*

May 20, 2015, Auburn Hills, Mich. - The [FCA Foundation](#) today announced a \$100,000 grant to support scholarships for current and future African American farmers. The National Black Farmers Association Scholarship program will provide scholarships up to \$5,000 to fund agriculture-related study at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school.

"We should accept nothing less than a world in which everyone has access to a safe, healthy and sufficient food supply," said Jody Trapasso, Senior Vice President – External Affairs, FCA North America and President of the FCA Foundation. "Our hope is that these scholarships provide farmers with the inspiration and knowledge to help this vision become a reality."

"The National Black Farmers Association Scholarship program is a huge step in the right direction for the survival of America's black farmers," said John Boyd, Jr., President of the [National Black Farmers Association](#). "Educating black farmers provides an opportunity to increase and advance agricultural technology, which will be passed on as a vital part of our rich farming legacy to future generations. Scholarships to black farm families for agricultural programs of study will increase the number of young black farmers."

### **Scholarship Applicants**

One hundred applications will be accepted. The application site will close when 100 applications have been received or on June 15, 2015, whichever occurs first.

Application site: <https://scholarsapply.org/blackfarmersassociation>

### **Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life**

FCA US and its sister company, CNH Industrial, recently announced their support of the USA Pavilion at the upcoming world's fair in Milan from May through October 2015. Expo Milano 2015 is expected to draw close to 20 million visitors during its six months' worth of performances, meetings, conferences and gatherings, all converging around the theme of "Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life."

FCA US will serve proudly as the exclusive automotive sponsor of the USA Pavilion, a partnership that demonstrates the automaker's core values, including innovation, sustainable mobility and community, while showcasing the vital role trucks play in the everyday life of those in agriculture.

### **About the National Black Farmers Association**

The National Black Farmers Association (NBFA) is a non-profit organization representing African American farmers and their families in the United States. As an association, it serves tens of thousands of members nationwide. NBFA's education and advocacy efforts have been focused on civil rights, land retention, access to public and private loans, education and agricultural training, and rural economic development for black and other small farmers.

### **About the FCA Foundation**

The [FCA Foundation](#) is the charitable arm of North American automaker FCA US LLC, a member of the [Fiat](#)

[Chrysler Automobiles N.V.](#) (FCA) family of companies. The FCA Foundation invests in U.S. charitable organizations and initiatives that help empower people, build strong, resilient communities and generate meaningful and measurable societal impacts. In support of these objectives, the FCA Foundation focuses on the following foundational pillars: youth development, education, support for military, veterans and their families, and community service.

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