

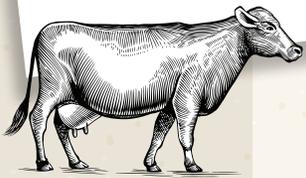


Farm Energy News

Spring 2026



Join us at the WPS Farm Show



One of the biggest events in Wisconsin agriculture is almost here. The WPS Farm Show will be held March 24-26 at the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) grounds in Oshkosh.

The show attracts about 20,000 farmers from around Wisconsin who come to see the latest technology in agriculture. Around 400 exhibitors from the U.S. and Canada will bring innovative ideas and machinery, filling 200,000 square feet of indoor exhibit space in four hangars and two heated tents and another 200,000 square feet outdoors.

Attendees can expect to see the latest in farm technologies, including:

- Ventilation equipment
- Construction ideas
- Computerized data collection and management applications
- Milking parlor and robotic technology
- Manure handling
- Animal nutrition, genetics and testing
- Crop production advancements in seed, fertilizer, irrigation and machinery, such as precision planting, variable application rates and genetics



When:

March 24-25
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

March 26
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Where:

EAA Grounds
Oshkosh

Cost:

Admission is free,
parking is \$5 per
vehicle.



FREE PARKING
THURSDAY

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In addition to a variety of exhibits, the WPS Farm Show offers many activities for all ages, including:

- Blood pressure testing and information on health topics such as blood sugar and cholesterol, courtesy of UW-Oshkosh College of Nursing and the ThedaCare Rural Health Initiative
- Kiddie Tractor Pull sponsored by FarmFirst Dairy Cooperative/Fox Valley Quality Control Lab
- FFA silent auction

The food tent is an attraction in itself. This year, the tent features items from the Wisconsin Cattlemen's Association, Wisconsin Pork Association, Wisconsin Potato & Vegetable Growers Association, Wisconsin Bison Producers Association, Curds of Wisconsin and the Winnebago County Holstein Association.



Kiddie tractor pull



Food tent



RECIPE CORNER

FRUITY AND SAVORY *Swiss Galettes*

INGREDIENTS

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| 3 thin slices prosciutto | Apple Cider Glaze: |
| 2 sheets refrigerated pie pastry | 1/3 cup apple cider |
| 6 tablespoons apple butter | 1/3 cup brandy |
| 8 ounces Swiss cheese, shredded (2 cups) | 1/4 cup packed brown sugar |
| 1 to 2 medium pears, cored and thinly sliced | 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon salt |
| 1 large egg, lightly beaten | Fresh thyme leaves |

INSTRUCTIONS

Heat oven to 375°F. Line a 15 x 10-inch baking pan with parchment paper. Arrange prosciutto in a single layer on prepared pan, taking care not to overlap. Bake for 12-14 minutes or until crisp. Cool prosciutto on a plate. Roll out one sheet of pie pastry on a lightly floured cutting board into a 12-inch circle. Using a 5-inch plate or bowl as a guide, cut pastry into three 5-inch circles. Transfer circles to parchment-lined baking sheets. Repeat step with remaining pastry. Spread 1 tablespoon apple butter in the center of each pastry to within 1 inch of edges. Top each with 1/4 cup swiss and 3 to 4 pear slices. Fold pastry edges up over filling. (Center will be uncovered.) Brush pastry with egg wash. Sprinkle with remaining swiss. Bake for 20-22 minutes or until crusts are golden brown. Coarsely chop prosciutto; sprinkle over tops. Let stand for 15 minutes before serving.

Apple Cider Glaze:

Combine the apple cider, brandy, brown sugar and salt in a small saucepan over medium-high heat. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Reduce heat to medium. Simmer, uncovered, for 15-20 minutes or until glaze is reduced to about 1/2 cup, stirring frequently. Drizzle galettes with glaze just before serving. Garnish with thyme.

Go to wisconsinpublicservice.com/farmshow for a full listing of exhibitors and other information.

Maximize your savings

Focus on Energy expands energy efficiency incentives for 2026

With a new year comes new Focus on Energy rebates and incentives, and this year brings 25% to 30% increases to select energy-saving equipment.

Custom incentives

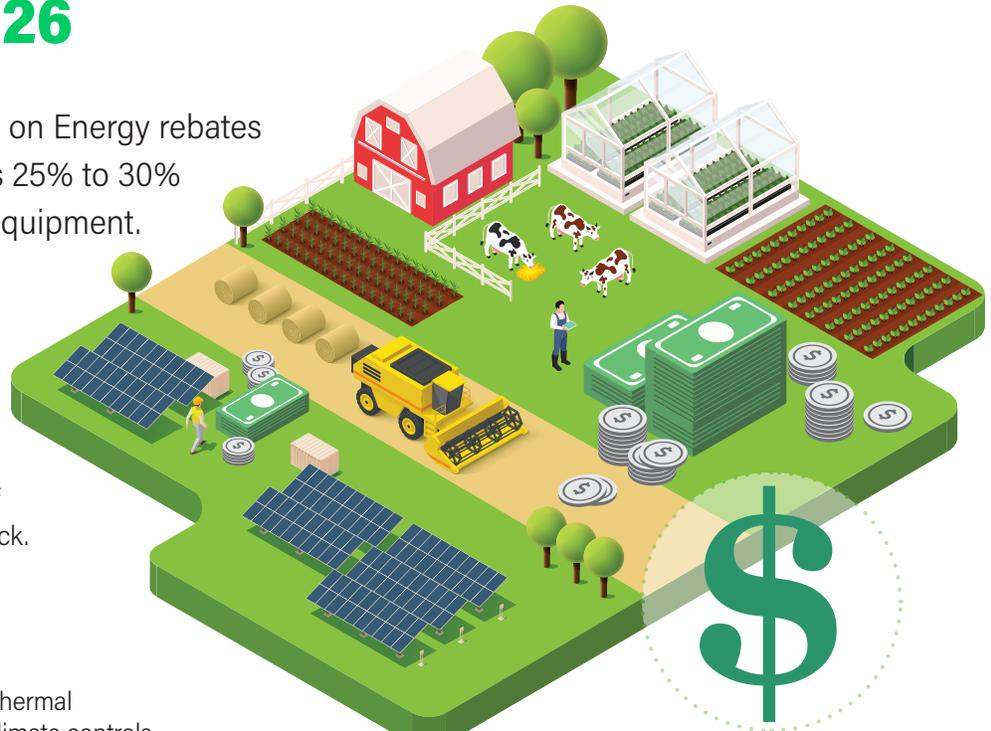
Focus on Energy has increased its incentives for electric and natural gas energy efficiency projects. Some projects could be eligible for up to \$300,000, 50% of project cost or capped at a one-year payback.

Standard rebates

- Greenhouse rebates are now available for thermal curtains (\$1.00/ft²), glazing (\$1.25/ft²), and climate controls (\$0.60/ft²). Make sure to request a rebate catalog at focusonenergy.com/catalogs to review incentive requirements.
- Vacuum pump upgrades for farms with over 2,000 cows now qualify for a rebate of \$3 per cow. That's a potential \$6,000 rebate, significantly reducing the total cost of the project.
- A rebate opportunity available for a new mixed-flow grain dryer is available at \$8 per wet bushel/hour drying capacity. It is no longer required to replace an older grain dryer.

Solar rebates

For farms interested in installing solar, the rebates for 2026 are \$600 per kilowatt (kW) up to \$2,400, and \$50 per kW thereafter up to \$25,000. This means that a 20kW solar array will receive \$1,400 in rebates after completing the project. A 100kW solar array would receive \$7,200.



Bonus offerings

Two bonus offerings are also available this year.

1. If you refer a new agribusiness contact to your Focus on Energy advisor, you'll receive \$100. If that farmer completes an audit and a qualifying project with Focus on Energy, they receive \$500. It's a win-win for both parties.
2. Customers can receive a 10% bonus on their next qualifying project if they conduct a dairy refrigeration, compressed air or grain dryer tune-up. After they complete a tune-up, Focus on Energy will send a letter indicating their eligibility for the bonus. Available only if no project followed the last tune-up.

Contact your local Focus on Energy advisor or Wisconsin Public Service energy engineer for more details.





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UPCOMING EVENTS



March 24-26
Oshkosh

**Wisconsin FFA
Convention & Expo**
June 15-18, 2026
Madison, WI

Career day is June 17

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