

SUSTA's Members are the State Departments of Agriculture

- ★ Alabama
- **★** Arkansas
- ★ Florida
- ★ Georgia
- ★ Kentucky
- ★ Louisiana
- ★ Maryland
- ★ Mississippi
- ★ North Carolina
- ★ Puerto Rico
- South Carolina
- ★ Tennessee
- ★ Texas
- ★ Virginia
- ★ West Virginia





Commissioner of Agriculture Ryan Quarles, SUSTA Board Member



Company eligibility requirements:

- ★ Headquartered in SUSTA region
- Small to medium-sized business
- * Adequate resources and product supply
- ★ Annual sales minimum (~\$50,000)



Company types we work with:

- ★ Manufacturers (including private label)
- **★** Growers
- ★ Farmers cooperatives (no size limit)
- Export management companies



Product eligibility requirements:

- Products have a brand name on them
- ★ Product at least 50% U.S. agriculture content
- ★ U.S. origin statement on product (can sticker)
- ✓ Product of, Grown in, Made in USA, America or Kentucky (name of any state spelled out)



Product types we work with:

- ★ Consumer-ready retail foods
- ★ Snack foods
- Sauces & condiments
- ★ Seasonings
- ★ Fresh produce
- ★ Seafood

- ★ Beverages, including alcohol
- Horticulture (nursery products, mulch, wood chips)
- ★ Pet foods
- ★ Supplements
- ★ All-natural health & beauty products



SUSTA's Core Programs:

Global Events

Discover opportunities to meet foreign buyers for your products at home and abroad.



50% CostShare

Half reimbursement of eligible marketing expenses to promote your products in foreign markets.









Inbound Trade Missions:

Meet foreign buyers without leaving the U.S.!

SUSTA brings qualified foreign buyers to the U.S. to meet oneon-one with our participants.

- Most of SUSTA's inbound trade missions are \$25.
- ★ European beer, wine and spirits buyers coming to Kentucky in April 2021

Global Events



Outbound Trade Missions:

U.S. companies travel to a foreign country to meet one-one with qualified foreign buyers. In addition, SUSTA organizes tours of various grocery stores and retail outlets as well as in-depth market presentations.

- Most of SUSTA's Outbound Missions are as low as \$400 and include either lodging for one person or one roundtrip international flight.
- Companies can apply to CostShare to receive half of participation fee as well other eligible expenses not covered by the event.

Global Events

Virtual Trade Missions

- Market introduction and customized market assessment
- Meet one-on-one with foreign buyers via Zoom
- ★ *Reimbursement: Sample shipping costs with proper documentation









*Shipping reimbursement amount varies depending on virtual trade mission





Pavilions at International Trade Shows:

SUSTA pavilions at roughly 20 trade shows each year worldwide

- ★ Goal is to provide a turn key option so that U.S. company can focus on promoting their products
- ★ Companies can apply to CostShare to receive half of participation fee as well other eligible expenses not covered by the event.

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Eligible Promotional Activities

- Advertising
- Website development
- Packaging/label changes
- In-store displays
- Freight (samples, marketing materials)
- Direct mailing to foreign buyers
- In store demonstrations and food service promotions
- * Exhibition at international trade shows & approved U.S. trade shows
- Travel expenses (when exhibiting at international trade show or outbound trade mission)
- ★ International trade seminars sponsored by company
- ★ Part-time contractors for trade seminars, in-store demos and trade shows
- Promotional give away items (up to \$2/item)
- Printed sales materials
- Public relations Press kits

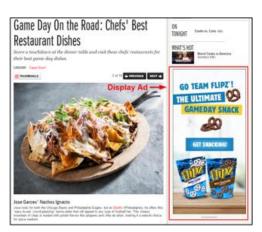








How To Use CostShare Now!



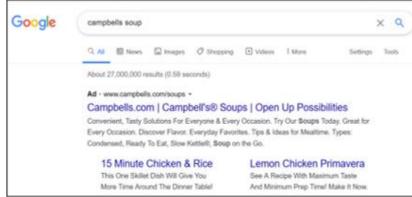












Must have eligible MADE IN origin statement & brand(s) on all promotions **U.S.A.**







Getting Started

Create a MySUSTA account at www.susta.org



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WHO WE ARE

WHAT WE DO

EVENTS

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Step 1: Operating Details

Operating Details Regional & Product Focus Company Information Personal Contact Informati. SUSTA Programs and Services All fields are required except those listed as (optional). We're interested in the following SUSTA programs and services: Yes Is your company a U.S. Supplier? () No ✓ Global Events Is your company an export broker or trading company? Yes 50% CostShare Is your company currently exporting? Yes No **Export Education and Resources** Yes Do your company's products contain at least 50% U.S. () No agricultural content? (exclusive of added water and



MySUSTA Account

50% CostShare Application

First Step: Approved MySUSTA account & CostShare consultation (if new to program)

Second Step: Apply annually for funds to implement your international marketing strategy.

Minimum annual request - \$2,500

Maximum annual request - \$300,000

- \$250 CostShare application fee
- ★ Pay SUSTA 6% administrative fee on reimbursement request
- Both fees are non-refundable.

Third Step: Sign your contract!

- Must apply for CostShare before incurring expenses.
- ★ SUSTA cannot retro-actively reimburse for expenses done in the past.



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