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# Resources for people with disabilities are sometimes scarce in rural communities.



**AgrAbility Virginia** can provide the information, assistance and on-site assessment that you need to continue your rural lifestyle. We have information on:

- **Modifying farm/ranch operations**
- **Adapting equipment**
- **Promoting farmstead accessibility**
- **Using assistive technologies**
- **Living independently**



## Who can use AgrAbility Virginia?

If you or a member of your family have a disability and you (1) reside on a Virginia farm or (2) engage in farming, ranching or farm related occupations, **AgrAbility Virginia** may be helpful for you. These disabilities may be the result of accidents, illness, or age related conditions, and may include arthritis, back injury, cancer, chronic pain, heart conditions, hearing impairments or deafness, visual impairments or blindness, respiratory diseases, spinal cord injury, amputations, traumatic brain injury or cognitive impairments.

Each year approximately 3,000 Virginians working in agriculture experience injuries that limit their ability to perform essential farm tasks.

Some agricultural workers acquire disabilities in off-the-farm accidents or through illness and health conditions such as heart disease, arthritis or cancer.

Older farmers often experience limitations such as decreased vision and hearing or loss of strength.

At times a member of the farm family may also experience a disability which affects the family's ability to continue their rural lifestyle.

## What can AgrAbility Virginia do for you?

- **Assistance**  
We help you find solutions that will meet your specific needs. We connect you with local, state and national resources.
- **Support**  
We match you with other people in Virginia who have had similar experiences for idea-sharing and support.
- **Education**  
We build community networks that educate agricultural operators, farm family members, volunteers, extension educators and others about helpful programs and services.

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