Northeast Dairy Producers Association, Inc.

2026 Budget Scorecard

Status:	Goal:
✓	Extend the 20% refundable Investment Tax Credit for farms.
X	Make employee housing eligible for the Investment Tax Credit. *We will continue to advocate for this in the future.*
X	Increase the capacity of the NYS Farm Worker Housing Loan Program. *Additional funds were allocated to the program in last year's budget. We will continue advocating for increases until the program fully meets NY agriculture's needs.*
✓+	Continue the Dairy Modernization Grant Program.
✳	Significantly increase investment in the Cornell PRO-DAIRY Program. *We achieved an increase, but not our full ask. We will continue to advocate for future increases for this essential program.*
✓	Continue investment in Cornell Dairy Research and Education Center (formerly CURC).
✓	Continue investment in Dairy Profit Teams & Dairy Advancement Program.
✓	Continue investment in Cornell Ag Workforce Development.
✓	Continue investment in New York State Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.
X	Create a "One Stop Shop for Agriculture" at DEC. *We introduced this idea this year and will continue advocating for it in the future.*
✳	Advance biosolids legislation that prioritizes further research and protecting farms. *The legislature is still considering bills related to biosolids.*
✳	Establish a Clean Fuel Standard. *Changes to the Climate Law are a step in the right direction for the future market viability of renewable natural gas.*
✓+	Continue funding for Agricultural Nonpoint Source Pollution Control, Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and Agriculture Waste Management.
✓	Sustain Funding for New York Center for Agricultural Medicine and Health (NYCAMH).
✓	Fund a project for NYCAMH and Cornell Ag Workforce Development to create online onboarding training resources.

✓+ = exceeded ✓ = achieved ✳ = in progress X = unrealized