

**Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Foundation**

**Role and Overview**

The Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Foundation (SOA) is charged with developing and carrying out programs to help replace the production of tobacco with other agricultural products and to mitigate the adverse economic impact of reduced tobacco production in Ohio's traditional tobacco growing region. The foundation is governed by a twelve-member Board of Trustees.

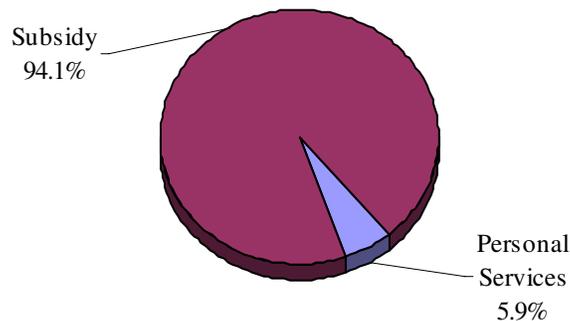
**Agency Priorities**

- Help create and enhance economic opportunities for Ohio's tobacco farm families and rural communities.

**Summary of Budget History and Recommendations**

(In thousands) BUDGET FUND GROUP	ACTUAL			ESTIMATE	%	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	CHANGE	FY 2008	%	FY 2009	%
General Revenue Fund	0	0	0	0	.0	0	.0	7,988	.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.0</b>	<b>7,988</b>	<b>.0</b>

**FY 2008-09 Biennial Appropriation  
by Expense Category**



(In thousands) OBJECT OF EXPENSE	ACTUAL			ESTIMATE	%	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	CHANGE	FY 2008	%	FY 2009	%
Personal Services	0	0	0	0	.0	0	.0	475	.0
Subsidy	0	0	0	0	.0	0	.0	7,513	.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.0</b>	<b>7,988</b>	<b>.0</b>

**PROGRAM SERIES 01: Program Management**

This program series prepares, implements, and continuously updates a plan to develop means for tobacco growers to grow other agricultural products voluntarily.

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**Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Foundation**
**Program 01.01: Program Management**

This program increases the variety, quantity, and value of agricultural products other than tobacco that are produced in the major tobacco producing counties of the state; preserves agricultural land and soils in those parts of the state where tobacco has traditionally been grown; makes strategic investments in communities that will be affected by the reduced demand for tobacco; and provides education and training assistance to tobacco growers to help them make the transition out of tobacco production.

**The Executive Recommendation will:**

- Provide education and training assistance to tobacco growers to help them make the transition away from tobacco production;
- Help farmers who voluntarily move away from their dependence on tobacco by expanding current agricultural enterprises or diversifying into alternative agricultural enterprises;
- Provide strategic investments in communities that have been adversely affected by the reduction in the demand for tobacco with an emphasis on job creation and retention; and
- Support tobacco farmers who have production livestock and provide them with fencing, corrals, chutes, and grain handling equipment.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2008	FY 2009
GRF	GRF	945-321	Operating Expenses	0	475,220
GRF	GRF	945-501	S OH Agr Comm Dev Fndtn	0	7,513,251
<b>TOTAL FOR PROGRAM</b>				<b>0</b>	<b>7,988,471</b>

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**Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Foundation**
**Appropriation Line Item Analyses for Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009**
**Line Item Restructuring Analysis**

SOA previously received revenue from the tobacco Master Settlement Agreement. Substitute Senate Bill 321 of the 126<sup>th</sup> General Assembly appropriated funding for fiscal years 2007 and 2008 for the foundation. Fiscal year 2009 appropriations are from the General Revenue Fund.

To illustrate changes in funding levels due to this restructuring, estimated fiscal year 2007 spending in the following table is converted from the previous line-item structure to the current line-item structure with the fiscal year 2008 appropriation from S.B. 321 and the Executive Recommendation for fiscal year 2009 from the General Revenue Fund.

Fund	ALI	ALI Title	Estimated	Recommended			
			FY 2007	FY 2008	% Change	FY 2009	% Change
GRF	945-321	Operating Expenses	456,942	475,220	4.0%	475,220	0.0%
GRF	945-501	S OH Agr Comm Dev Fndtn	13,150,375	7,513,251	-42.9%	7,513,251	0.0%

**LINE ITEM SUMMARY – Southern Ohio Agriculture and Community Development Trust Fund**

FND	ALI	ALI TITLE	FY 2004 ACTUAL	FY 2005 ACTUAL	FY 2006 ACTUAL	FY 2007 ESTIMATE	FY 2008 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE	FY 2009 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE
GRF	945-321	OPERATING EXPENSES	0	0	0	0	0	.0	475,220	.0
GRF	945-501	S OH AGR COM DEV FNDTN	0	0	0	0	0	.0	7,513,251	.0
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE FUND			0	0	0	0	0	.0	7,988,471	.0
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS			0	0	0	0	0	.0	7,988,471	.0