



Village Farms Recognized for Export Leadership at BC Export Awards

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Presented by the Business in Vancouver (BIV), the BC Export Awards highlight the successes of exporting companies and British Columbia's role in international trade

DELTA, British Columbia, Jan. 26, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Village Farms International, Inc. ("Village Farms" or the "Company") (NASDAQ: VFF), is proud to announce that it has been named the winner of Business in Vancouver's (BIV) 2026 BC Export Awards in the Consumer Products category, recognizing the Company's exceptional export performance and its contribution to British Columbia's growing international trade economy.

Driven by its operational capabilities and the vision of its global commercial and medical leadership teams, Village Farms has rapidly scaled international exports to many of the world's most highly regulated markets through its EU-GMP certified operations at its 4.8 million square foot production campus. As of September 30, 2025, the Company achieved a 758% year-over-year increase in export sales year-to-date, reflecting disciplined, market-specific growth strategies built around regulatory compliance expertise, localized partnerships, and industrial scale manufacturing and supply chain excellence.

"Exporting at this scale is the result of long-term discipline and a commitment to upholding rigorous operational standards," said Michael A. DeGiglio, Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer of Village Farms International. "We built our international business by treating regulation as an opportunity for sustainable performance, investing ahead of demand, and leveraging decades of controlled environment agriculture expertise rooted in British Columbia. That approach has allowed us to compete and win in some of the most demanding medical markets in the world."

"Operating in highly regulated medical cannabis markets requires more than scale—it demands consistency, clinical discipline, and absolute trust," said Paul Furfaro, President of Village Farms' Global Medical Division. "Our ability to meet stringent international standards allows physicians, pharmacists, regulators, and partners worldwide to rely on us to serve the needs of patients. This recognition underscores the strength of our teams and expanding global platform."

Village Farms is one of the largest single-site agricultural employers in British Columbia, with its Delta operations supporting hundreds of jobs and anchoring a globally competitive export platform built on more than three decades of cultivation experience. This domestic foundation has enabled the Company to deliver consistent, pharmaceutical-grade products internationally while continuing to invest in local infrastructure and employment. In large European markets like Germany, the Company's approach has translated into strong demand for its products through traditional pharmacy networks, with several of its cultivars ranking among the country's top-performing medical cannabis strains in market ¹.

"Global success starts at home," said Orville Bovenschen, President, Village Farms Canadian Cannabis. "Our export growth is rooted in proven quality and trust built in British Columbia. It takes the focus of strong local teams to navigate complex global markets, and this recognition reflects the people behind the execution who show up every day to deliver at the highest standard."

Since 1982, the BC Export Awards have recognized the successes of exporting companies based in British Columbia. This prestigious awards program celebrates the growth, innovation, strategy and impact of businesses that bring BC and Canadian-made products and services to the world. Village Farms congratulates all finalists and award recipients being recognized for strengthening British Columbia's global export footprint and advancing Canada's reputation for quality, resilience, and trust on the world stage.

About Village Farms International, Inc.

Village Farms leverages decades of experience in Controlled Environment Agriculture as a large-scale, vertically-integrated supplier of high-value, high-growth plant-based Consumer Packaged Goods. The Company built a strong foundation as the leading and longest-tenured fresh produce supplier to grocery and large-format retailers throughout the US and Canada, and now focuses its agricultural expertise on high-growth cannabinoid opportunities while maintaining strategic optionality through remaining produce assets.

In Canada, the Company's wholly owned Canadian subsidiary, Pure Sunfarms, is one of the single largest cannabis operations in the world (2.2 million square feet of greenhouse production), a low-cost producer and one of Canada's highest quality and best-selling brands. The Company owns an incremental 2.6 million square feet of greenhouse capacity in Canada for future expansion, and also owns 80% of Québec-based, Rose LifeScience, a leader in the commercialization of cannabis products.

Internationally, Village Farms is targeting selected, nascent, legal cannabis opportunities with significant growth potential. The Company exports medical cannabis from its EU GMP certified facility in Canada to international markets including Germany, the United Kingdom, Israel, Australia, and New Zealand. The Company is expanding its export business to new countries and customers, and making select investments in international production assets. In Europe, wholly-owned Leli Holland has one of 10 licenses to grow and distribute recreational cannabis within the Dutch Coffee Shop Experiment.

In the US, wholly-owned Balanced Health Botanicals is one of the leading CBD and hemp-derived brands and e-commerce platforms in the country. Subject to compliance with all applicable US federal and state laws and stock exchange rules, Village Farms plans to enter the US THC market via multiple strategies, leveraging its Texas-based greenhouse assets (2.2 million square feet of existing greenhouse capacity and 950 acres of owned, unoccupied land for future expansion).

Village Farms Clean Energy (VFCE), through a partnership with Atlanta-based Terreva Renewables, creates renewable natural gas from landfill gas at its Delta RNG facility. VFCE receives royalties on all revenue generated.

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¹ Based on Company estimates and rankings compiled by German outlet Flowzz, 2025