



## 2020 Recycling and Litter Prevention Program Academic Institution Grant

### Academic Institution Grant Eligible Projects

Public and private K-12 schools, colleges and universities may receive funding for recycling efforts as well as outreach and education, recycling equipment and conference sponsorships. Grantees have 12 months to complete the project.

Project Category	Maximum Grant Request	Match	Project Examples <i>examples are illustrative and not all-inclusive</i>
Paving (GTR or RAS)	\$300,000	100%	Projects involving the use of ground tire rubber (GTR) or recycled asphalt shingles (RAS) or a combination of both in new paving initiatives.
Recycling Equipment	\$100,000	25%	Purchase of equipment for start-up or expansion of recycling program including organics and glass.
Drop-off Recycling	\$100,000	25%	Purchase of equipment for start-up or expansion of drop-off recycling collection programs.
Special Venue Recycling	\$50,000	25%	Recycling collection program targeted at sporting venues and entertainment facilities.
Litter Clean-up Events	\$40,000	25%	Equipment, materials and supplies for an on-going litter collection effort. Also, contractual costs associated with the actual collection and disposal costs of material from public land.
Outreach and Education Training	\$25,000	25%	Creating new or updating existing recycling and litter prevention education and training materials.
Sponsorships (Statewide Conferences)	\$3,000	25%	Sponsor statewide recycling and litter prevention conferences that promote environmental efforts and technologies.

### Allowable Costs

#### Equipment

- Purchase of equipment.
- Purchase or rental of equipment, tools and supplies for litter cleanups.
- Safety and awareness signage.

#### Other (Goods and Services)

- Disposal fees for litter and tire amnesty collection projects.
- Produce, print and distribute advertising and awareness materials.
- Purchase litter clean-up awareness items such as t-shirts.
- Purchase tools and supplies necessary to implement the project.
- Sponsorships.
- Site improvements for paving projects.

#### Personal Services Contract

- Contracts covering the costs necessary for services of public or private contractors.
- Such costs shall not include salaries or benefits of existing or in-house employees.

### Unallowable Costs

Grant funds will be used to supplement but not replace existing funds. Costs that are **not** reimbursable with grant funds include, but are not limited to:

- costs not identified under Allowable Costs;
- employees' salaries, benefits or administrative costs;
- financial services and grant writing fees;
- food or entertainment expenses, including procurement of coolers, grills, etc.;
- fuel for transportation or equipment;
- land acquisition;
- materials not generally found in the municipal solid waste stream;
- payment to individuals, crews or organizations to pick up litter;
- tire amnesty and litter collection projects conducted on private property;
- recycling of hazardous waste;
- website development and maintenance;
- unmanned aerial vehicles (drones).

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## Combination Grant Requests

A single application may include a combination of grant requests. For example, drop-off containers and outreach and education may be included in one application. Combination grant requests will be evaluated as a single application, not by the individual activities. A combination grant request is eligible if:

- requested total amount equals \$100,000 or less;
- does not include paving projects.

## Additional Information

Those eligible to apply include the following:

- Public and private K-12 schools, colleges and universities.
- A 25 percent match is required (match is calculated as a percentage of the grant request).
- Financial match must be a cash or credit. Using “in kind” and funds from other grant programs is prohibited.
- Grant period is 12 months (July through June).
- Grant and match funds must be spent within the grant period.
- No outstanding financial or environmental compliance issues with applicant.
- No partial awards are issued.
- If awarded, timeline extensions and/or additional grant funds are not allowable.

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