Natural Landscapes for Tomorrow

A grant program to encourage natural landscape projects

Grant Program

The Natural Landscapes for Tomorrow grants program, established in the fall of 2000, supports schools, houses of worship, and other public and nonprofit organizations in the Fox Valley Area of Wisconsin for projects involving the creation of natural landscapes and outdoor classrooms using native plants.

Grants awarded range from $100 to $500. Award amounts are based on the judges' ranking of the project in comparison to all applications received, and the available funds. Projects that do not receive a grant may be resubmitted for future funding.

Requirements

Applicant must:

- Represent a school, house of worship, or other public or nonprofit organization in the Fox Valley area of Wisconsin (within 15 miles of Winnebago, Calumet, Outagamie or Fond du Lac counties).
- Provide matching funds equal to at least 50% of the cost of the project. Funds can be from the applicant's own treasury, fundraisers or from grants secured from other sources. A budget is required.
- Propose a project that emphasizes involvement and increases the educational value of the site. Site must be accessible to the public.
- Use native plants appropriate to the site and teach about natural landscapes.

Winning applicants will be chosen on the basis of creativity, impact on the community, complete and thoughtful planning, and wise budget use. Projects will need a knowledgeable and committed leader.

To Apply

To download a grant application form or learn more about Natural Landscapes for Tomorrow grants, go to www.wildones.org/chapters/foxvalley or call to request a mailed copy.

Include a brief summary of the project, an environmental assessment, a project narrative, before and after sketches and a project budget.

Eligible costs include native flowers and forbs, grasses, trees, shrubs, and native plant seed.

Grants do not pay for consultant fees, birdseed, fuel, equipment, labor, books, signage and land acquisition.

Grant applications must be submitted electronically or postmarked by February 15.

Grant recipients will be notified by March 7th.

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MISSION STATEMENT
Wild Ones: Native Plants, Natural Landscapes promotes environmentally sound landscaping practices to preserve biodiversity through the preservation, restoration and establishment of native plant communities. Wild Ones is a not-for-profit environmental education and advocacy organization.

Past Recipients

Schools
Kaukauna High School Outdoor Ed. Center – 2009
Fox River Academy Rain Garden – 2008
Berlin High School Native Roots Prairie Garden - 2006

Nonschool Facilities
Heckrodt Wetland Reserve Songbird Garden - 2012
Mosquito Hill Nature Center Pollinator Garden – 2012
Arbutus Park (Appleton) Butterfly Garden – 2011
Green Lake Conference Center Rain Garden 2011
Menominee Park Zoo Prairie Garden – 2009
Gottfried Prairie and Arboretum Shelter Garden - 2009
Leon-Saxeville Library Native Plant Garden - 2007
Outagamie Co. Housing Auth. Prairie Restoration – 2006
Girl Scouts of Manitou Co Prairie Area - 2004
Sheldon Nature Center Prairie Plantings – 2003

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