

2013 Community Garden Grants

Introduction and Eligibility

NRPA is pleased to announce the availability of grants to park and recreation agencies for the support of community gardens. The primary goal of these grants is to benefit low-income families through the donation of locally grown fruits and vegetables. Grantees will donate or make available a portion of produce grown in the community garden at no cost to low-income individuals/families.

Grant requests are expected to range from \$2,500 to \$7,500. Grant funds may be used as necessary to build/expand community garden facilities or programs resulting in the donation of produce.

Applicant Eligibility:

- Applicants will be a park and recreation agency or a non-profit organization established with the purpose of providing resources to a park and recreation agency
- Applicants will have an existing community garden or sufficient resources to fully develop and plant a community garden by May 2013

Grantee Requirements:

- Grantees will submit grant reports and photos as requested
- Grantees will publicly recognize participation in grant program (e.g., press release, social media, newsletter)
- Grantees will host, if requested, a half-day site visit by NRPA staff
- Grantees will donate or make available a portion of produce grown in the community garden at no cost to low-income individuals/families
- Grantees will submit data required for completion of NRPA's online agency survey tool, PRORAGIS (QuickStart, Lite, or Full versions)

Please ensure responses are recorded accurately. You can save your progress and continue at a later time by clicking the "Save and continue later" link at the top of the page. To assist in preparation of responses, a copy of the application is available in PDF format at www.nrpa.org/garden.

Please direct all questions to Jimmy O'Connor at (703) 858-2177, joconnor@nrpa.org.

The deadline for this grant application is midnight **Wednesday, February 6, 2013**.

1. Is the applicant organization a park and recreation agency or a non-profit organization

established with the purpose of providing resources to a park and recreation agency? *

Yes

No

2. Does the applicant organization have an existing community garden or sufficient resources to fully develop and plant a community garden by June 2013? *

Yes

No

Applicant Information

3. Applicant Information

(The organization applying for funds)

Federal Identification Number *

Full Organization Name *

Street Address

Apt/Suite/Office

City

State

Zip

Website

Main Phone Number

4. Grant Application Contact Information

(Who to contact regarding this application)

First Name *

Last Name *

Title *

Organization Name *

Street Address

Apt/Suite/Office

City

State

Zip

Email Address *

Phone Number *

Fax Number

5. Organization Head Contact Information

(The director, executive director, or chief executive officer for the organization)

First Name *

Last Name *

Title *

Organization Name *

Street Address

Apt/Suite/Office

City

State

Zip

Email Address *

Direct Phone Number *

6. If your department/staff is a member of NRPA, please provide the membership number.
(Optional)

Demographics

This section reflects the demographics of the service area encompassed by your organization. If you do not collect specific demographic information, it is okay to make selections based on your observations and other indirect data sources.

7. Indicate what percentages of the following populations comprise your service area. *
(Total must equal 100)

American Indian/Eskimo/Aleut

Asian or Pacific Islander

Black or African-American

Hispanic or Latino

White or Caucasian

Bi-racial or Multi-racial

Total : 0

8. What is the median household income of your service area? *

- under \$25,000
 - \$25,000 to \$50,000
 - \$50,001 to \$75,000
 - \$75,001 to \$100,000
 - over \$100,000
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9. Which of the following best reflects your organization's service area? *
(Select all that apply)

- Urban
 - Suburban
 - Rural
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10. Indicate the approximate population of your organization' service area (number of residents): *

- fewer than 10,000
 - 10,000 to 25,000
 - 25,001 to 50,000
 - 50,001 to 100,000
 - 100,001 to 250,000
 - 250,001 to 500,000
 - 500,000 to 1 million
 - 1 million to 2 million
 - more than 2 million
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Community Gardens

11. Does your organization currently have a community garden(s) or will it be building its first garden this spring? *

- We currently have a community garden

We are building our first community garden this spring

12. Describe your current or planned community garden. Include who grows the produce, how these individuals/groups are selected, and what is done with the produce. Also include any experiential learning conducted through garden programs. *

(3,000 word limit)

13. What is the total acreage of your community garden(s)? *

14. How many community gardens comprise this acreage? *

15. How much produce was harvested last year (January 1 – December 31, 2012)? *

(Indicate number of pounds)

16. How much produce was donated/made available at no cost last year (January 1 – December 31, 2012) to low-income residents? *

(Indicate number of pounds)

17. How many people benefited last year (January 1 – December 31, 2012) from the donation of community garden produce? Include produce grown by low-income residents and produce donated to food banks, etc. *

18. Describe any partnerships and affiliations with other organizations (e.g., food banks, gardening groups). *

(1,000 word limit)

19. Indicate which of the following organizations you anticipate partnering with in 2013 to support your community garden? *

(Select all that apply)

- Schools
- College/University Cooperative extension
- Master gardeners
- Farmer's markets
- Garden centers
- Local businesses
- Grocery Store

"Friends" group

Other

20. What amount of grant funding is this application for? Amounts should be between \$2,500 and \$7,500. *

(Do not include decimals)

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21. If awarded, how will this grant funding be utilized? *

(3,000 word limit)

22. Grant recipients will be required to accept a Memorandum of Understanding with the National Recreation and Park Association, including the terms identified in the Grantee Requirements section of this application. Additionally, grant reporting will include information such as found within this application. Do these requirements present a concern to your organization? *

Yes

No

Final page

23. Thank you for completing an application for a 2013 Community Garden grant. Are you ready to

submit your application? *

- Yes (click Submit)
 - No (click Save or Back)
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Thank You!

Thank you for submitting an application. Applicants will be notified of the status of their proposal by February 18. Please contact Jimmy O'Connor at joconnor@nrpa.org or 703-858-2177 with any questions. A copy of your completed application will be automatically sent to the email address you provided. You may now close this web page.
