

Weavers Way Environment Committee

Grant Guidelines

Street Trees and Neighborhood Plantings

- Neighborhood street tree plantings. Trees native to the region preferred.
- Neighborhood flowerbeds or containers. No invasive species may be used.
- Vacant lot clean up and beautification with trees and/or plants, provided public has access to lot after cleanup. Native species preferred.

Community Gardens and Parks

- Community garden improvements, such as gates, fencing, common facilities, rain barrels, compost bins, startup soil amendments, seeds, and/or seedlings.
- Public park improvements. Improvement plan preparation (landscape and social plan for park), trees (those native to the region preferred), shrubs, flowers (no invasive species), erosion prevention measures.

Community Education and Communication (For programs with environmental improvements, stewardship, or nature education)

- Materials, supplies, and equipment for use by children in government-funded day care or after school programs, provided any instruction children receive is not religious, and other funds are not available for purchase of these items.
- Materials, supplies, and equipment for use in environmental training programs or environmental events open to the general public.

Social Programs

- Construction and maintenance of food gardens for those who do not have access to sufficient fresh fruits and vegetables (for direct expenses, not staff salaries). If a church group administers these programs, there must be no religious component to services provided.
- Job training programs in the recycling, alternative energy, or organic farming sectors offered by non-profit entities benefitting unemployed persons preparing to enter the job market.

Please note: Care must be taken to choose non-toxic and earth-friendly materials in all projects. Projects must not employ environmentally harmful or non-sustainable materials or methods. For example, CCA pressure-treated wood, PVC piping, and Roundup and other herbicides are examples of materials that must not be used.

**GRANT APPLICATION
to Weavers Way Environment Committee**

Date of Application:

Organization:

Contact Person:

EMAIL:

Telephone(s):

Full Address Where Notices Will Be Sent:

Amount of Request: \$

Purpose of Grant or Project Name:

CONDITIONS OF AWARD: Grant funds are awarded for clearly identifiable public purposes preferably resulting in a tangible improvement for the community, such as improving the environment through education and/or gardening. See Guidelines on the back of this page. Grants range from \$100 to \$500, depending on available funds and number of qualified applicants. Proposed projects may not be for the sole benefit of an organization or private individual. No funds will be granted for salary support. Grants will be accepted from Germantown, Mt. Airy, Chestnut Hill, Roxborough, and East Falls.

All grantees are required to report how funds were spent, with receipts, by November 1, 2015.

DIRECTIONS: All applicants, even if funded before, must complete the application form and provide the information requested below. Please attach to this form the following information about your organization and project:

A. PROPOSAL SUMMARY (1/2 page)

B. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT (maximum of three pages)

1. Background. Briefly summarize your agency's
 - a. history, mission, and type of organization (tax exempt, community organization, non-profit, block association, etc.)
 - b. current programs, activities, accomplishments
2. Funding Request. Please include or describe
 - a. what you propose to do and why your project is needed
 - b. the time frame for your project
 - c. a project budget showing how grant funds will be spent
 - d. key staff/volunteers involved and their roles
 - e. other resources (funding, materials, volunteer time) available
 - f. cooperation with other organizations (if relevant)

Please drop off application at Environment Committee mailbox at Weavers Way Co-op in Mt. Airy or in a grant proposal folder posted on the wall at Weavers Way Chestnut Hill Store, or mail application to Environment Committee, Weavers Way Co-op, 559 Carpenter Lane, Philadelphia, PA 19119 by March 16, 2015.

Please note: Projects must not use environmentally harmful or non-sustainable materials or methods. For example, neither CCA pressure treated lumber nor PVC piping will be considered sustainable materials. Roundup and other herbicides are not considered environmentally safe.