

## ***Application for Weavers Way Environment Committee Grants***

**Organization:**

**Date of Application:**

**Contact Person:**

**Telephone:**

**Full Address (where checks are to be mailed):**

**Tax ID number:**

**\$ Amount of Request:**

**Email address:**

**Purpose of Grant or Project Name:**

**Conditions of Award:** *See more conditions under “Grant Guidelines”*

Grants are used for public purposes to improve the environment through gardening and education while attempting to reduce climate change. Local community groups are invited to apply, with preference given to those in underserved neighborhoods. Proposed projects may not be for the sole benefit of an organization or private individual. No funds are to be used for salaries. Grants range from \$100 to \$500, depending on available funds and the number of qualified applicants.

**Directions:** Complete this application and provide the information below.

A. Proposal Summary (1/2 page)

## B. Description of the project (maximum of three pages):

*Please include:*

- A summary of your group's background, including its history, mission and the type of organization it is.
- Any current programs, activities and/or accomplishments
- Describe what you propose to do and why your project is needed.
- The time frame for your project
- A project budget showing how grant funds will be spent.
- Key staff/volunteers who will be involved and their roles.
- Other resources available to you, including funding, materials and volunteer time.
- Whether you will be cooperating on the project with other organization(s)

Please submit applications online to [environment@weaversway.coop](mailto:environment@weaversway.coop) or drop off at the Environment Committee mailbox at Weavers Way Co-op in Mt. Airy. You may also mail the application to Environment Committee, Weavers Way Co-op, 559 Carpenter Lane, Philadelphia, PA 19119 by **Friday March 8, 2024**.

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. In addition, Roundup and other herbicides are not considered environmentally safe and should not be used.

## Grant Guidelines

Preference is given to projects that attempt to counteract climate change. These may include planting trees, replacing lawn and/or turf with native plants that benefit pollinators and birds or creating rain gardens to reduce runoff from storms.

The following are examples of acceptable projects or needs:

- Plantings of neighborhood street trees (native trees preferred)
- Neighborhood flowerbeds or containers. (Do not include invasive species).
- Vacant lot cleanup and beautification with native trees and/or plants, provided that the public has access to the lot after cleanup.
- Community garden improvements, including gates, fencing, common facilities, rain barrels, compost bins, startup soil amendments, seeds and/or seedlings.
- Public park improvements, including planting native trees, shrubs and plants as well as erosion prevention measures.
- \* Programs to educate the public about climate change, environmental improvements and stewardship.
- Materials, supplies and equipment for use by children in government-funded day care or after school programs, provided that no other funds are available for purchase of

these items. Any instruction the children receive as part of these programs should not be religious.

- Materials, supplies and equipment for use in environmental training programs or environmental events that are open to the public.
- Construction and maintenance of fruit and vegetable gardens for those who do not have access to enough of these items. Funds cannot be used for staff salaries. If a church group administers these programs, there must be no religious component to the services provided.
- Job training programs in the recycling, alternative energy or organic farming sectors offered by nonprofit entities that prepared unemployed persons to reenter the job market.

**REPORTS ON HOW FUNDS WERE USED, WITH RECEIPTS, ARE DUE BY NOV. 1, 2024.**