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2026 Grant Application

Grant applications will be accepted from January 5 through March 31. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Grant awards are capped at $1,000. Grant matches are encouraged and will increase an application's chance of success.

If you are new to native plants or have any questions, please email us at wildonesofsepa@gmail.com for clarification or assistance with the application.

Applicant agrees that the awarding of grants and amount of grants is subject to the sole discretion of Wild Ones of Southeastern Pennsylvania (WOSEPA). If awarded a grant, applicant agrees to acknowledge this funding source in any project publicity or printed materials and that Wild Ones of Southeastern Pennsylvania may publicize the same information on its website and via other means.

If a cash grant is awarded, applicant must submit an expense accounting within one year of the date of the award notification. Wild Ones and/or any of its agents, officials, and employees shall assume no responsibility or liability for claims of damage of any kind to property or for claims of injury to any person in connection with a grant.

Applicant agrees to install a weatherproof sign, if provided by WOSEPA. The sign will be no larger than 12"x18". Applicant is responsible for obtaining a sign permit, if one is required.

Applicant will obtain and provide to WOSEPA written releases for any photos and/or videos of volunteers who participate in the project.

It is a condition of this grant that no herbicides, insecticides, or pesticides be used at the project site, whether for site preparation or for post-installation site maintenance.

Applicant Information Applicants must be a nonprofit charitable organization or government entity (e.g., school district, municipal Parks Department).

1. Organization Name:

2. Organization Address:

3. Contact Phone No.:

4. Contact Email:

5. Organization website:

6. Organization status (public charity, government entity, etc.). Charitable organizations must provide a copy of your IRS determination letter or other confirmation of status as a public charity.

Project Coordinator Information

7. Project Coordinator Name:

8. Project Coordinator Position/Title:

9. Project Coordinator Phone:

10. Project Coordinator Email:

11. How will the project be sustained if the project coordinator is unable to fulfill their responsibilities?

Project Details

12. Name of entity that owns the project site (school district, nature center, etc.):

13. Address of site location (if different from organization location above):

14. Provide a general timeline for the project:

15. Project objective(s) -- for example, erosion prevention, rain garden, insect/bird habitat, soil improvement:

16. Attach the following visuals:

    a. A sketch or diagram (in .pdf or other electronic format) of the entire area you intend to plant, as it currently exists, including 1) site dimensions, 2) vegetation that will remain, 3) existing natural and/or human-made structures, 4) scale, 5) planting conditions (light, soil, moisture), 6) directional points (North, East, South, West). Visit https://wildones.org/sfe-sketch-samples/ to see sample sketches/diagrams of final site plans. **Plans with handwritten or illegible entries or pages that must be rotated will not be accepted**.

    b. An aerial photograph of the site, with the planting area marked. Mark where vegetation will be removed and whether any structures or tall trees are near the planting.

17. Who will be responsible for managing and maintaining the planting area, including watering for the first 12 months after installation? If the project site is not owned by the applicant, submit a letter from the property owner committing to keep the planting intact for no less than 5 years.

18. Describe the site preparation that will be required before planting, and how it will be accomplished.

19. What vegetation, if any, will be removed prior to planting?

20. Explain why this project is important to your organization and the community.

21. Using your original sketch or diagram of the existing area, provide a sketch or diagram of the landscape as it will appear when the garden is planted. Mark the location and # of plants for each species, including any existing vegetation to remain. Visit https://wildones.org/sfe-sketch-samples/ to see sample sketches/diagrams of final site plans. **The better your site plan, the better your**

chance of a grant. Indicate where the planting will be located on the property, including nearby structures and trees.

    a. Make sure proposed plants are native to this ecoregion or are naturalized here. Plants that are not native or naturalized have a much lower chance of success when planted outside the region in which they evolved.

    b. Make sure proposed plants are sited correctly for the site conditions (light, moisture, soil type, environmental stress (foot traffic, salt).

Project Budget

WOSEPA grant funds cover only native plants and native seeds. Applicants are expected to provide site preparation, unless otherwise approved by WOSEPA, and ongoing maintenance. **It is a condition of this grant that no herbicides, insecticides, or pesticides be used at the project site, whether for site preparation or for post-installation site maintenance.**

22. **Total Grant Amount Requested: $ _____**

23. Provide a list of the plants and/or seeds selected for the project, including:

    • Common name and scientific name

    • How supplied (seed, plug, potted, bareroot)

    • Source, if known. WOSEPA does not fund the purchase of any seeds or plants that are treated with fungicides or insecticides or which contain neonicotinoid or other systemic insecticidal compounds.

    • Cost and quantity of each plant or seed

Partner Organizations/Match Contributions

25. If you are collaborating with a nonprofit organization, community group, or others on your project, provide the name, contact information, and type of support provided by each partner.

26. If you have match commitments from the property owner or other project partners, include these in your application. Match commitments will strengthen an application.

Match amount: _____   Source: _____

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