



Grant Application for Recycling Equipment

Recycling Equipment Grants are funded by the Nebraska Environmental Trust (NET). Nebraska Recycling Council (NRC) is the grant administrator, but NET will ultimately approve or decline all applications. Successful applicants will sign a grant agreement with NET.

Email completed application to Heather Creevan, NRC Deputy Director at hcreevan@nrcne.org.

Date _____ Business/Organization Name _____

Address _____

City _____ County _____ Zip Code _____

Contact Name _____ Title _____

Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Email _____ Web Site _____

1. This application is for a (check one):

New Program

Expanded Program

Continuation of Current Program

2. What type of entity is your organization/business (check one):

City/Village

County

Government

Non-Profit Organization

For-Profit Entity

3. Describe your service area, e.g. towns, counties, statewide, etc.

4. What is the population of your service area? _____

5. Brief description of recycling equipment:

6. Total cost of equipment \$ _____

7. Your cash contribution \$ _____

8. Grant amount requested \$ _____

9. What, if any, in-kind contributions of labor, material, or donated labor or material will be offered? In-kind contributions are not required, but can supplement the cash contribution. (Use of recycling equipment does not qualify).

10. Describe the need or problem that makes this grant necessary and how the new equipment will solve it.

11. Describe how the new equipment will make a positive environmental impact in your community.

12. Provide a cost/benefit analysis or return on investment analysis that supports the equipment purchase. If this information is in a document or spreadsheet, you may attach it to the application email.

13. List all expected recyclable materials you plan to collect/process, by type and volume.

14. Have you identified end markets for your materials? YES NO

If yes, please list them and note whether they are confirmed or not. (Companies, mills or towns that will take your materials)

15. Describe any partnerships or agreements made for materials, services, personnel, etc. with local or neighboring towns or other governmental entities, businesses or organizations. (Additional points will be awarded for applications with 2 or more letters of support from partnering entities/communities).

16. Briefly explain what recycling data will be collected from use of the new equipment and how it will be tracked for reporting requirements.

Equipment Details

Bids are required from two different sellers/vendors. Please attach the bids to the application email in a pdf format.

17. Detailed equipment description (manufacturer, make, model, etc.):

18. Preferred Bid: Company Name/Vendor #1 _____

Contact Name for Vendor _____ Phone _____

Address of Vendor #1 _____

19. Secondary Bid: Company Name/Vendor #2 _____

Contact Name for Vendor _____ Phone _____

Address of Vendor #2 _____

Operations

20. Do you have a grant application pending with any other source for this equipment? YES NO
If yes, please explain.

21. List any grants (primarily recycling equipment grants) received during the last 5 years, describing equipment and grant source.

22. Are you in good standing with the above listed grant providers? YES NO If no, please explain.

23. Provide a brief, but thorough history of your organization or business.

24. Years in operation/existence _____

25. Number of FT and PT employees and/or volunteers _____

26. Days and hours of operation; availability to general public and businesses.

27. Description of site or building(s), including square footage and dimensions.

28. List existing equipment (primarily recycling equipment) and handling equipment. Include grant source, if applicable and year purchased, if known.

29. How often is recycling shipped or hauled, and by whom, e.g. employees, volunteers or both?

30. Do you have the ability to load/unload semi-trailers? YES NO

31. List all current recyclable materials you collect/process, by type and volume.

32. To which landfill and/or transfer station does your trash go, and what is the cost per ton (tip fee)?

33. What does your hauler charge per pull or per ton for hauling, environmental fees, etc.?

Community Marketing/Education

34. **What type of recycling education is provided in your community on a regular or periodic basis?** Check all that apply.

- What can be recycled
- How to recycle
- Where and when to recycle
- Why business and community members should recycle
- How much recycling is accomplished in your community (by volume or weight)
- Which products are made from recyclables
- Financial or economic benefits of recycling
- There is no recycling education in our community

35. **What entities provide this information?**

36. **Which of the following methods are used to inform your community about recycling?**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Web site | <input type="checkbox"/> Flyers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio announcements | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone number with recorded information or a live person |
| <input type="checkbox"/> We have no communications program | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe) _____ | |

37. **Upload a sample(s) of your printed communications into Dropbox or Google Drive and insert the link below or provide URLs for your web site and/or social media below. (This is optional, but encouraged.)**

38. **Is your recycling service listed on any online guides?** YES NO

If yes, please provide URL _____

39. **If your organization has no web site or social media presence with recycling information, do you anticipate adding it within the coming year?** YES NO

Disclosures

40. **Please disclose any relationships with equipment vendors or partners in the project, if they are family members, divisions of the applicant's company, etc.**

Nebraska Recycling Council Terms and Conditions

If funding is awarded, do you consent to work with the Nebraska Recycling Council in a spirit of cooperation, with a commitment to continue to use the grant equipment for recycling purposes, and that you will never sell, lease, rent, loan, or gift it to another party without the express permission of the Nebraska Environmental Trust?

I agree to the above terms and conditions.

I do not agree to the above terms and conditions.

Signature _____ Date _____

Name _____ Title _____

If you have any questions or additional comments, you may add them in the space below or contact Heather Creevan, Deputy Director at hcreevan@nrcne.org / (402)436-2384 x 1002.

Thank you!

Please save a copy of the completed application for your records, and email to hcreevan@nrcne.org.