



## 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 Leah Meyer, NRC Program Director at [lmeyer@nrcne.org](mailto:lmeyer@nrcne.org).

### General Information

Business/Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

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Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Website \_\_\_\_\_

**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

**Complete all of the application sections:**

- I. Organization Description
- II. Project Details
- III. Equipment Details with two required bids or quotes
- IV. Community Marketing and Education with attached optional promotional material
- V. Previous Grant Details and Disclosures
- VI. Nebraska Recycling Council Terms and Conditions

**I. Organization Description**

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

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

**5. Years in operation/existence\_\_\_\_\_**

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

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**7. Description of site or building(s), and number of full/part time employees**

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

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

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

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## II. Project Details

11. **Brief description of recycling equipment:**

12. **Total cost of equipment**     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

13. **Your cash contribution**     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

14. **Grant amount requested**     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

15. **What, if any, in-kind contributions of labor, material, or donated labor or material will be offered?** In-kind contributions are not required, but increase project point value with the Review Committee. (Use of recycling equipment does not qualify. In-kind contributions cannot replace the required cash contribution for your category).

16. **Describe the need or problem that makes this grant necessary and how the new equipment will solve it including how it assists with your vision/mission.**

17. **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.**

18. List all expected recyclable materials you plan to collect/process, by type and volume and how it will be tracked.

19. 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)
- If no, please explain how the materials will be handled or the plan for an end market.

20. 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).

### III. Equipment Details

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

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

22. **Preferred Bid: Company Name/Vendor #1** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name for Vendor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Vendor #1 \_\_\_\_\_

23. **Secondary Bid: Company Name/Vendor #2** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name for Vendor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Vendor #2 \_\_\_\_\_

24. **Expected lifetime of equipment?**    \_\_\_ 1-2 years    \_\_\_ 3-5 years    \_\_\_ 6-8 years    \_\_\_ 10+ years

#### IV. Marketing & Education

25. How will you enhance or contribute to providing marketing and education regarding recycling internally or externally to your organization?

26. What organizations or entities will assist in promoting your program or project?

27. Attach a sample of your printed communications in the email with your application. (This is optional, but encouraged.)

28. Is your recycling service listed on any online guides?

YES     NO

If yes, please provide URL \_\_\_\_\_

29. If your organization has no website or social media presence with recycling information, how do you plan to promote this program?

**V. Previous Grant Details & Disclosures**

**30. Do you have a grant application pending with any other source for this equipment?**

\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO      If Yes, please explain.

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

**32. Are you in good standing with the above listed grant providers?**

\_\_\_ YES      \_\_\_ NO      If No, please explain.

**33. Have you received a grant within the last 5 years from NRC?**

\_\_\_ YES      \_\_\_ NO

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

**VI. 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 Leah Meyer, Program Director at [lmeyer@nrcne.org](mailto:lmeyer@nrcne.org) / (402) 436-2384.

Thank you!

Please save a copy of the completed application for your records, and email to [lmeyer@nrcne.org](mailto:lmeyer@nrcne.org).