



City of Wymore Recycling Trailer

“The City of Wymore was able to start up a recycling program that had been needed for some time. With the help of the NRC, we were able to purchase a recycling trailer that has been a huge asset to our community. Without the assistance of their grant, this is something that would have never happened.”

- Tim Sedlacek | Utilities Superintendent

The Recycling Equipment Grant:

- In 2021, 16 entities in Nebraska received \$203,005.46 in grant funds to purchase \$443,807.81 worth of equipment.
- Funded a compost turner, van, bulb eater, recycling containers, skidsteers, trailer, EPS thermal densifier, clothing bins and more...

What could a Recycling Equipment Grant do for your community?



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NRC thanks our Member Equipment Vendors for their support! Learn more about these vendors on our website:



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preserving NATURAL NEBRASKA™ for future generations

Nebraska Recycling Council administers the Recycling Equipment Grant Program with funding from Nebraska Environmental Trust (NET). For more than 20 years, this grant has helped build recycling infrastructure across Nebraska by providing the funding needed to create, expand or enhance recycling programs.

Recycling Equipment Grants



Plastilite EPS Thermal Densifier



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-waste nothing-



Uribe Refuse Services Inc. Debris Screener

“Thanks to the NET and NRC, Keep Alliance Beautiful is the proud owner of a new forklift! KAB uses a forklift for daily operations at our recycling center. We unload trailers, weigh and stack bundles of recyclables, move totes, and share our services with the local mission store.”

- Kathryn Worley | Executive Director

“Norfolk has been exploring a recycling program for almost three years. During this time, NRC has been a key resource in getting the right people and businesses to the table for discussions and exploration of our options for a hub and spoke system.”

- Steven Rames | Public Works Director & City Engineer



Recycling Equipment Grant

Nebraska Recycling Council’s recycling equipment grants support projects that provide public and environmental benefits to enhance or help create new opportunities for recycling programs across Nebraska.

Who May Apply

Nebraska organizations eligible for grant funds include schools, municipalities and other government entities, nonprofit organizations, and recycling companies, recycling centers, and haulers.

Requirements & Limitations

- Up to \$20,000 in equipment can be funded over a two-year period per organization.
- The deadline for submission of grants is the 15th of each month.
- Applicants must have been in business a minimum of 2 years.
- Applicant must be in compliance with the Nebraska Department’s laws, regulations, and permits.
- Equipment purchased before grant approval is not eligible for funding.
- A cash match of 20% - 50% is required from all grantees, depending on size of community or type of entity (e.g. business or nonprofit).
- Grant recipients are required to submit 24 months of recycling data after obtaining the grant equipment.
- Maintain insurance for the useful life of the equipment for awards over \$5,000.

Examples of Eligible Equipment

- Forklifts, skid loaders, balers, recycling trailers, recycling carts, indoor and outdoor recycling bins, cargo trailers, semi-trailers, compost turners, dumpsters, trucks, portable loading ramps, approved recycling labels, and more.
- Equipment may be new, used, or in need of refurbishing.

Applying for a Grant

To be considered for a recycling equipment grant, a grant application must be completed with all required attachments and signed. This is a reimbursement grant, so applicants must be financially able to purchase the equipment prior to disbursement of grant funds. Applications are accepted continuously and are reviewed after the 15th of every month.

The application and more information is available at www.nrcne.org.



Scrap Central Roll-off container

Recycling Consultation

Nebraska Recycling Council provides consultation services with recommendations for improvement to enhance recycling programs and divert more waste from Nebraska landfills.

Consultation can include:

- Suggestions for recycling best practices
- Identification of markets to provide improved returns on investment
- Recommendations to increase materials recovery & landfill diversion
- Networking and partnership opportunities to increase efficiencies