

Wildflower Garden Club of Alaska Grants Program Application - Deadline January 31, 2024

The goal of the **Wildflower Garden Club of Alaska (WGCA)** Grants Program is to encourage botanical education by funding scholarly studies, scientific research projects or work in the areas of Horticulture, Floriculture, Landscape Design, Forestry, Botany, Agronomy, and Plant Pathology and/or allied subjects. The total amount to be awarded each year is determined by the WGCA Executive Committee. The minimum request considered will be \$200 with a maximum of \$1,000. The number of awards will vary each year dependent upon the amount of money requested and the total amount to be awarded.

Applicants should indicate whether partial funding of their proposal would be helpful if full funding is not possible. Applicants who only receive partial funding are eligible to apply the following year for the balance of the initial request.

Grants: Individuals, schools, and non-profit entities engaged in work in the above listed fields may apply for grant funding. Organizations must have 501(c)(3) status. All applicants must be based in the State of Alaska.

Types of projects which could be funded include but are not limited to:

- Paid internships for university students in the field of study listed above.
- Conservation/Preservation projects
- Design/Development projects relating to Alaska's native plants, Alaskan horticulture, agriculture, or forestry
- Signage and public education projects
- Public beautification projects
- Other related projects (describe well in the application narrative)
- Grantees may only apply every three years, unless partially funded the first year, and may apply the second year for the balance.

Scholarships Items which will not be funded:

- General operating support for on-going maintenance, payroll, etc.
- Administrative expenses (accounting, insurance, overhead, etc.)
- Activities not related to the specific mission of the applicant organization.

Evaluation: Each application will be evaluated by members of the Grants Committee. Applications will be judged on feasibility, value to botanical education and/or contribution to beautification.

Sample Projects:

- Girl Scout troop planning a wildflower garden.
- Elementary school teacher planning a unit on botany in classroom.
- Plant signage in a public area.

Project Completion:

- Projects are expected to be completed within one year.
- Extended projects may be approved upon request.

Collaboration: The WGCA seeks to partner with other organizations on community projects that match our mission. If the WGCA identifies your project as one in which we would be interested in a partnership, we will contact you to discuss a collaborative endeavor. You may also indicate on the grant form that you desire to partner with the WGCA.

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1. Name of Applicant or Organization: _____
2. Mailing Address: _____
3. Telephone Number: _____ Email: _____
4. Amount Requested: _____
5. Contact person performing work: _____
6. Brief resume of person requesting funds: _____

7. Do you wish to partner with the WGCA on your project and if so, how? _____

8. Location of project: _____
9. Timeline for completing project: _____
10. **DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:** Detailed description of the project (not to exceed 3 pages). On a separate sheet describe the budget, i.e. how the money will be spent. If the project has funding from other sources, this should be fully described. If the project involves public or private lands, letters of permission should be included.
11. **SUMMARY REPORT:** A summary report to the Wildflower Garden Club of Alaska (with photographs if appropriate) describing how the project fared is expected within one calendar year from the receipt of the award. Longer term projects would have flexibility in the report deadline.
12. **APPLICATION DEADLINE:** The application deadline is January 31st. Monies must be used within one calendar year of date of the award. Applicants will be notified by March 1st.

MAIL TO:

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