

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What kinds of projects are funded through Public Information & Education MiniGrants?

These grants are awarded to support the presentation and dissemination of information and perspectives that will stimulate enhanced environmental stewardship in any category eligible for Trust funding. The grants seek to expand dialogue on important current conservation topics and to provide information on emerging or highly useful conservation methods.

Who can apply?

Individuals, private organizations, and public entities are all welcome to apply. Private, for-profit organizations must demonstrate that the project results in public benefit and does not pay for private benefits.

Is there a maximum grant amount?

The maximum amount of a Public Information & Education MiniGrant is \$2,500. The Trust has set aside up to \$50,000 this year for these MiniGrants.

Are there requirements for matching funds?

The Trust encourages the use of matching funds through points awarded in the rating scale. A match is not required in any amount or percentage. However, it is very unusual for the Trust to fund 100% of a project. The rating scale is included in the section, "Standards of Evaluation."

When does the Trust accept applications for Public Information & Education MiniGrants?

The Nebraska Environmental Trust accepts applications and awards grants quarterly. A calendar of important dates is included in this folder and is also available on our web site, www.environmentaltrust.org.

How does the Trust select applications for funding?

The Grants Committee, comprised of six members of the Trust Board, ranks applications each quarter and presents recommendations to the board for approval.

Does the Trust ever fund part of a proposal?

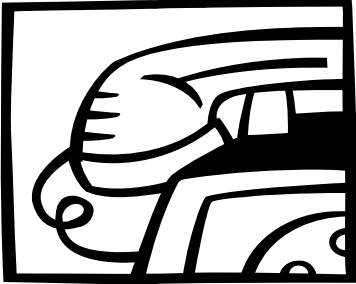
Yes.

When does funding become available?

You will be notified shortly after the board meeting of the outcome of your application, and if selected, a contract with terms and conditions of the grant will be sent. You will be required to provide printed credits acknowledging Nebraska Environmental Trust fund support. Upon receipt of a properly signed contract, Trust funds will be available. Funds will be issued on a reimbursement basis unless otherwise arranged. A final report with all original invoices and copies of all printed materials and programs will be required after the project is completed.

Will the Trust consider applications for completed projects or purchases made before the application?

No.



Help Is Available. If you have questions or would like to discuss a project, you are encouraged to contact the Trust office. We will be happy to answer simple questions immediately, or to arrange an appointment for you to discuss a draft proposal in detail with staff. You can reach our office at (402) 471-5409.