



Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Recycling Grant Program Request for Grant Applications

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) is requesting applications from private enterprises, political subdivisions, Tribal governments and nonprofit organizations that serve communities in Arizona. Approximately \$1.2 million is available during this grant cycle for multiple awards. Collaborations by entities for community partnerships are encouraged. Below is a brief summary of the funding programs available.

Waste Reduction Assistance (WRA) Grant

The objective of the WRA program is to assist in providing recycling opportunities to all Arizonans, in addition to providing funding assistance to projects that divert significant amounts of materials from the solid waste stream, or are a component of a comprehensive program designed to achieve high diversion levels. WRA projects may include a small public awareness component. Eligible applications will be evaluated on the following criteria, in order of importance:

- Goal of the project
- Solid waste impact and community benefit
- Partnerships and organizational background
- Methodology, timeline, tasks and deliverables
- Budget form and narrative

Waste Reduction Initiative Through Education (WRITE) Grant

The objective of the WRITE program is to provide all Arizonans with the information and education needed to increase awareness to properly reduce and dispose of solid waste, and to encourage participation in source reduction, reuse and recycling opportunities. WRITE projects should communicate the importance of conserving natural resources and the benefits of reducing, reusing, recycling, buying recycled products, composting and/or properly disposing of solid waste. Eligible applications will be evaluated on the following criteria, in order of importance:

- Goal of the project
- Partnerships and organizational background
- Solid waste education and community benefit
- Methodology, timeline, tasks and deliverables
- Budget form and narrative

Recycling Research and Development (RR&D)

The objective of the RR&D program is to provide funding assistance to projects that develop tools and ideas and create knowledge that will help to divert significant amounts of materials from the solid waste stream in the near future. RR&D projects shall involve research, including feasibility studies, solid waste audits and/or technology development, such as new equipment or processes with an overall objective to increase the proper disposal of solid waste, source reduction, recycling, buying recycled content products and/or composting. Eligible applications will be evaluated on the following criteria, in order of importance:

- Goal of the project
- Organization background and previous research experience
- Long term solid waste and recycling benefit
- Methodology, timeline, tasks and deliverables
- Budget form and narrative



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Interested parties may obtain a copy of the Recycling Program Grants Manual by one of the methods listed below.

- Download an electronic copy by visiting our website at <http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/waste/solid/funding.html>
- The manual comes with 4 interactive PDF forms attached for your convenience
- Request a copy via mail by calling 602-771-4398 and providing the following information: Company name, Contact name, Address, City, State, Zip code, E-mail address, Phone and fax number.

The Recycling Grants Manual is available on or before January 5, 2009. The deadline for applications to be submitted is Thursday, March 12, 2009 by 3:00 p.m. Arizona time.

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

The following workshops have been scheduled for this grant cycle. Workshops are optional, but are encouraged to ensure that you have the most current information available.

Flagstaff – 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 27, 2009
Arizona Department of Transportation
1901 S. Milton Rd.
(928) 779-7562

Tucson – 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 28, 2009
ADEQ Southern Regional Office
400 W. Congress Rd., Room 222
(520) 628-6733

Phoenix – 1:30 p.m. Thursday, January 29, 2009
ADEQ Main Office
1110 W. Washington St., Room #250
(602) 771-4398

This announcement does not commit ADEQ to award a Grant nor to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of applications. ADEQ shall have the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, all applications submitted and/or to cancel this announcement. All Grants are subject to availability of funds.