GARDEN FOR EVERY SCHOOL GRANTS

The purpose of The Environmental Center’s Garden Grants program is to provide $500 - $1500 grant awards to public and private schools and youth organizations in Central Oregon to start, expand, improve or support a new or existing school garden or outdoor classroom. Gardens can be indoor or outdoor, edible and/or native/pollinator gardens. NEW: There is an additional opportunity for those in Deschutes County to receive up to $3,000 for a larger project. This additional grant is provided by the Rotary Club of Greater Bend.

Application Guidelines

Eligibility:

- All public and private Pre-K-12 schools and youth organizations in Central Oregon.
- Applications can be submitted by: teachers, principals, school staff, students, student clubs, and parent volunteers.
- You completed grant reporting for a prior year’s garden grant you received.

Selection Requirements:

- The application is complete.
- The project can reasonably be expected to start within this school year.
- All questions are answered completely; the application is approved by the school/org administration, and includes a complete budget. NEW: See website for a couple of budget examples.
- If this is a NEW outdoor garden within the Bend-La Pine or Redmond School District, you must already have completed a ‘School Garden Development Application’ and have it approved. (If you are starting a garden this year, we can help you complete the application, and you can apply for a grant next school year.)

What Can Be Funded:

- Garden Supplies: tools, seeds, starts, soil, compost, etc.
- Garden Infrastructure: fencing, irrigation, wood, grow lights, etc.
- Outdoor Classroom supplies: picnic tables, benches, work benches, shade sails, etc.,
- Garden Beautification: Art project supplies, flower bulbs, signage, etc.
- Maintenance: Stipend for teachers or parents who put in extra time on behalf of a garden.

Grants Timeline:

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Submitting Applications:

Applications are available online: www.envirocenter.org/schoolgardens (Under the Garden Grants tab)
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