

2016 SCRAP TIRE GRANT



The Scrap Tire Grant program offers grant funds to Ohio businesses, communities and non-profit organizations that propose to create the infrastructure necessary for successful markets of scrap tire materials and related products. Potential projects may include processing of scrap tires, manufacturing finished products from related material or civil engineering or construction efforts.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Private sector businesses and non-profit organizations who are located and registered to conduct business in Ohio may seek scrap tire grant funding. However, businesses and non-profit organizations applying for funds must secure a public sponsor to serve as the grant applicant. Those eligible to serve as sponsors include an agency of the state, as established by the Ohio Revised Code (ie. municipal corporation, county, township, village, state college or university and solid waste management district or authority). An Agency of the State may sponsor multiple private sectors businesses (cooperating enterprise) or non-profit organizations (cooperating enterprise). In addition, local governments may apply and receive scrap tire funds for civil engineering or construction projects involving scrap tire or related materials.

FUNDING CRITERIA

These competitive grants will be awarded based on the following:

- Demonstration of positive economic and environmental impact regionally or statewide
- Assurances that the project will accomplish stated goals and is transferable
- Potential for evolution into a permanent service or program without future Agency funding
- Past grant performance (project implementation, expenditures and submission of reports)
- Consistency with the strategic goals of the local and state solid waste management plans
- Qualifies as an eligible project and includes one or more targeted materials
- Financial need of the applicant
- Availability of grant funds
- Submission of required forms and comprehensive responses to all applicable questions
- No outstanding financial or compliance issues

SCRAP TIRE PROJECTS

GRANT REQUEST (Up To)

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| • Scrap Tire Manufacturing & Processing (over one million PTE) | \$ 350,000 |
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| • Scrap Tire Civil Engineering or Construction | \$ 250,000 |

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Applicants must demonstrate that the cooperating enterprise will commit a minimum of **one hundred percent (100%)** matching funds, equal to the amount requested in grant funds. The match must be a cash contribution or a documented line of credit. The maximum grant period for the Scrap Tire program is 24 months. Applicants sponsoring businesses or non-profit organizations must enter into a contract with that entity to implement the grant-approved activity. A grant funding line is required for all projects and an acknowledgement of funding source.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FUNDING SOURCE

A grant funding line is required for all projects. (Examples include the Ohio EPA logo/signage on grant-funded equipment or facilities or the standard funding credit line on printed educational material or promotional items).

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Subject to cash availability, grantees will receive an advance grant payment, while the remaining grant balance will be held in reserve to reconcile the grant at closeout.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Oct. 1, 2015 - Application Package posted at www.recycleohio.gov
- Oct. 29, 2015 – Informational Meeting
- Webinar: Nov. 18, 2015 at 10 – 11 a.m.
- Feb. 1, 2016 - Applications due
- April 2016 - Awards announced
- July 1, 2016 - Funding available

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