



“Dedicated to protecting, enhancing, and developing natural and human resources.”

Grant Policy

Who Can Apply:

Applicants must be a current IRS-recognized 501(c)(3) non-profit organization or unit or sub-unit of government.

Counties Served:

Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Etowah, Randolph, St. Clair, Talladega, Tallapoosa

Eligible Projects:

- Projects with a location within the eleven-county area that we serve
- Projects that align with our mission
- Projects that fall under the priorities set by the Board of Directors of Coosa Valley RC&D Council (see website for current priorities)

Restrictions:

- Salaries or expected operational cost
- Endowment campaigns
- Religious organizations for religious purposes
- For-profit businesses or Individuals
- Purchase of land/property

Grants:

- Our grants range from \$5,000-\$15,000.
- Education Fund projects must have an educational component.
- All projects without an educational component are considered General Fund projects.
- Area-Wide projects must cover three or more counties.

Grant Cycle:

Our grant cycle opens on April 1st and closes on June 30th of each year. Questions concerning the grant application should be directed to amanda@coosavalley-rcd.org or call 256-253-2454. All grants must close out before July 15th of each year.



Project Selection:

Applications are reviewed and recommended by the Council, consisting of one elected official, one soil and water representative, and an at-large member for the selected County. Applicants are notified before October 1st if their grant application is approved or denied.

Grantee Understanding:

- The funding is on a reimbursement basis.
- Grant funding will not be received until the completion of the project and with the completion of proper documentation.
- A cooperative agreement must be fully executed before the project begins. This will outline the items expected to receive reimbursement.
- Funds are not reimbursable if funds are spent before October 1st or until the agreement is signed.
- The logo for the Coosa Valley RC&D will be given.
- The logo is required to credit the organization for the project's funding.
- Press/Project Celebration will be coordinated by Coosa Valley RC&D Council staff for legislative recognition.

Approved By Coosa Valley RC&D Council's Board of Directors on 4/24/2024