



COMMUNITY GARDEN PROGRAM GRANTS

IS YOUR CHURCH, COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OR ORGANIZATION INTERESTED IN A COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT FOR FALL 2006??

We Provide:

- \$\$ to be used to establish a garden at your location
- Technical assistance through the Master Gardener program; gardening "mentors" to assist you in maintaining your garden
- Assistance to complete this application (call 595-1422 for help)

Benefits to You:

- Garden education
- Produce fresh and nutritious foods
- Build foundation for community development
- Grow families together
- Contribute to community pride
- Increase physical activity

The Spartanburg Nutrition Council is offering mini-grants to Community organizations to plan, plant and harvest a community vegetable garden.

TIMEFRAME

**** SNC 2006 Fall Grant Cycle****

July 21, 2006

August 1

August 9 & 10

September 15-30

Grant Application Deadline

Award Notification /Garden Training Date

Fall Garden Training

Fall Garden Planting Deadline

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2006 COMMUNITY GARDEN PROGRAM GRANTS – form

Please indicate the type of garden you are applying for:

Traditional Garden

Raised Bed Garden

In order to be eligible for a 2006 community garden mini-grant, please complete this form and submit with your application to the SNC **by July 21st, 2006** for a fall garden.

Organization Name: _____

Organization Address: _____

City

Zip code

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Main Contact person: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Evening Phone: _____

Email: _____

Garden Location: _____

(Address)

List 3 Representatives from your garden who will attend the required garden training classes:

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Soil Test: Please attach results of a recent soil test taken from your garden location. Clemson Extension provides this service. (A soil test is only required for a Traditional Garden).

Main Contact Signature: _____

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Application

(Please use the outline format provided below and keep your project explanation to no more than THREE pages, plus the required attachments)

GUIDELINES:

SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION:

1. NAME OF YOUR ORGANIZATION.
2. CLEARLY EXPLAIN HOW YOUR COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT WILL ENCOURAGE FRESH VEGETABLE INTAKE.
3. HOW WILL THINGS BE DIFFERENT AFTER YOU PLAN AND IMPLEMENT OUR GARDEN?

PROBLEM STATEMENT / YOUR NEEDS:

1. WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO APPLY FOR A MINI-GRANT?
2. WHAT FACTORS CONVINCED YOU THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR CHANGE IN YOUR COMMUNITY RELATED TO THE GARDEN AND HEALTHY EATING?

METHOD:

1. HOW WILL YOU COMPLETE YOUR PROJECT? (BE SPECIFIC AND THOROUGH- WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE?)

Note: Your garden must also have an accessible source of water. Please confirm this in this section.

TIMELINE:

1. PLEASE PROVIDE A TIMELINE THAT INCLUDES WHEN YOU ARE GOING TO DO EACH STEP LISTED UNDER METHOD ABOVE.

BUDGET:

1. IF YOU ARE AWARDED A \$250 MINI-GRANT FOR A TRADITIONAL GARDEN, OR \$100 FOR A RAISED BED GARDEN, HOW WILL YOU SPEND THE MONEY ON YOUR PROJECT (BE SPECIFIC).

Note: If awarded, for organizations previously involved in the grant program, award amount will be based on a sliding scale.

SUPPORT:

1. WHAT OTHER RESOURCES WILL YOU USE OTHER THAN A MINI- GRANT TO HELP YOU WITH YOUR GARDEN?
2. PLEASE ATTACH THREE LETTERS OF COMMITMENT FROM COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS WHICH WILL PHYSICALLY HELP YOU WITH THE GARDEN.

FUTURE PLANS/ EVALUATION:

1. AFTER THE MINI-GRANT DOLLARS ARE SPENT, HOW DOES YOUR ORGANIZATION PLAN TO CONTINUE YOUR PROJECT?
2. HOW WILL YOU MEASURE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF YOUR PROJECT?

ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED

- Three letters of commitment from community organizations (from SUPPORT section above).
- Soil test results (for the Traditional Garden **only**).



SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY GARDEN MINI-GRANT PROCESS

By JULY 21, 2006:

- SUBMIT THE COMMUNITY GARDEN PROGRAM FORM.
- **SUBMIT THE GRANT PROPOSAL TO SNC USING THE GUIDELINES /OUTLINE FORMAT ABOVE.**
- INCLUDE THREE LETTERS OF COMMITMENT FROM COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS (from SUPPORT section of the application above).
- **INCLUDE RESULTS OF A SOIL TEST OF YOUR GARDEN LOCATION (for Traditional Garden only). THIS MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR A MINI-GRANT.**
- YOUR GARDEN MUST HAVE AN ACCESSIBLE SOURCE OF WATER.

AUGUST 9 & 10, 2006:

- **THREE REPRESENTATIVES FROM YOUR GARDEN MUST SUCCESSFULLY ATTEND EIGHT HOURS OF SNC GARDENING TRAINING CLASSES. (AUGUST 9 & 10)**

IF YOUR APPLICATION IS SELECTED, YOU WILL RECEIVE AN AWARD NOTIFICATION/GARDEN TRAINING LETTER; ACCOMPANYING THAT WILL BE A GARDEN PARTICIPANT "PRE-GARDEN EVALUATION" SURVEY. You must administer the survey to all prospective garden participants and bring all completed surveys to the first training session on **August 9, 2006.**

Note: Grant dollars will not be awarded if requirements are not fulfilled. You must complete both training sessions and submit completed "pre-garden evaluation" surveys on the first training day.

LATER:

(WE WILL CHECK BACK WITH YOU AND PROVIDE NECESSARY FORMS):

- REPORT ALL GARDENING ACTIVITIES (VOLUNTEERS, MEDIA, IN-KIND DONATIONS, SPECIAL EVENTS, ETC.) BACK TO SNC ON A MONTHLY BASIS. (A FORM WILL BE PROVIDED MONTHLY).
- **DOCUMENT ALL SPENDING OF THE MINI-GRANT ON FORMS PROVIDED WITH ATTACHED RECEIPTS. (A FORM WILL BE PROVIDED.)**
- DONATE A ROW OF VEGETABLES TO THE SPARTANBURG COUNTY FOOD RESCUE PROGRAM.