

PLANT AMERICA Community Project Grants

National Garden Clubs, Inc. has established a new grant program for clubs entitled *PLANT AMERICA* Community Project Grants with a simple application process. The purpose of the grant program is to provide financial support for new or existing club projects in their respective communities all across the United States. This fund will be a permanent fund with grants being given for each two-year administration.

The first grants will be given during the 2017-2019 administration. Individual garden clubs that are members of National Garden Clubs, Inc. may apply for funds up to \$1,000 for the direct expenses of projects. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2017. Recipients of grants will be notified, and all money will be awarded by January 31, 2018. Projects must be completed by June 2019. Final reports are due within two months after the completion of the project or by July 1, 2019.

Projects submitted for receiving a grant may be a joint venture with another organization/s. The scope of these projects in communities may include:

- Beautification and/or restoration
- Community gardens
- School gardens/classrooms
- Landscaping for Habitat for Humanity Homes
- Landscaping of Blue Star Memorial Markers
- Implementation of environmental practices
- A horticulture or environmental educational event for the public and/or youth

Application forms, funding guidelines and final report forms are available on the NGC website.