



PLANT AMERICA

Community Project Grants Guidelines and Application



The **PLANT AMERICA** Community Project Grants Program is sponsored by National Garden Clubs, Inc. for new or existing club projects in their respective communities. Projects may be a joint venture with another organization/s. The scope of these projects may include but are not limited to:

- Beautification and/or restoration
- Community gardens
- Youth gardening
- Habitat for Humanity landscaping
- Landscaping projects
- Implementation of environmental practices
- A horticulture or environmental educational event for the public

Grant Amount: Up to \$1,000.00 is available to be used for direct expenses of 2022 projects.

Who May Apply:

- Individual or near-garden clubs that are members of National Garden Clubs, Inc.
- **NOTE:** Recipients of previous PLANT AMERICA Community Project Grants are **NOT** eligible to apply.

How to Apply using this PDF form:

- Application is limited to a **TOTAL** of **two (2) pages**. (This page does not count.)
 - **ONE (1) PAGE** - Application Form (Page 1)
 - **ONE (1) PAGE** - Budget (Page 2)
- *Applications of more than two pages will **NOT** be considered. NO PHOTOS/DIAGRAMS.*

• Save this form to your desktop and open it in Adobe Acrobat; it is not fillable with most internet browsers. Fill in, save the changes and email the completed **application form** and **budget** to:
PlantAmericaGrants@gardenclub.org.

Application Deadline: October 15, 2021

- Recipients of grants will be notified, and all money will be awarded by **January 31, 2022**.
- Projects must be completed by **February 28, 2023**; final report forms due by **April 1, 2023**.

Judging Criteria:

In evaluating grant applications, judging is based on the following Scale of Points:

Benefits and visibility in community	40	Collaboration with other community groups	15
Impact and scope of project	25	Application form complete	5
Involvement & participation by club members	15	TOTAL	100

Funding Guidelines:

Grants will not be provided for:

- Projects in which club does not participate in some aspect
- Purchase of Blue or Gold Star Markers
- Competitive Flower Shows
- Scout projects
- Salaries or benefits of personnel
- Political action programs
- Capital drives and/or fund building
- Scholarships and/or endowments
- Private gardens
- Lawsuits and/or litigation
- Overhead costs
- Projects completed in 2021.

Final Report:

1. **Deadline:** within two months after the completion of the project or by April 1, 2023.
2. Email the following:
 - A short two-to-three pages report describing the project including photos
 - A copy of the final financial report including all income and expenses
 - A copy of any publicity

NOTE: Please indicate if permission has been given for use of photos by NGC in print, website and social media. A release form for adults and minors can be found on the NGC website:

<https://www.gardenclub.org/sites/default/files/2020-05/ngc-publication-release-fillable-01.pdf>.

PAGE 1 - APPLICATION
DEADLINE: OCTOBER 15, 2021

Date of Application:

Name of State Garden Club:

Applicant (Club/s):

Contact: (Name of individual representing club/s)

Address:

Email:

Phone:

New Project: Yes ___ No ___ **Beginning date:** _____ **Completion date:** _____

Number of Club Members: _____ **Anticipated Number Members Involved in Project:** _____

Amount Requested (up to \$1,000): _____ **Total Project Budget:** _____

Description of Intended Project: (Please use font size "10" or larger)

Brief description of how the funds will be used: (type of plants, hardscape items, construction, etc.)

Brief statement of any in-kind or volunteer services: (who, number of hours, function, etc.)

PAGE 2 - BUDGET
DEADLINE: OCTOBER 15, 2021

Garden Club Name:

State:

EXPENSES

Plants (# X \$.00) (listed below)	\$
Delivery of plants	\$
Soil amendments/mulch	\$
Labor	\$
Other Purchases (listed below)	\$

*TOTAL	\$
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INCOME

NGC Plant America Community Project Grant	\$
Approximate value of donated Labor/Services	\$
Approximate value of donated Supplies/products	\$
Club's Contribution	\$
Other Organizations' Donation/s	\$
Other (listed below)	\$

*TOTAL	\$
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***Totals for income and expenses must be equal.**

Email APPLICATION and BUDGET (and Questions) TO:
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