

2023 Youth Garden Grant Application

Please note: Do not submit this document to KidsGardening. Instead, it is to help programs prepare your application responses ahead of time before you complete the online application. Simply copy and paste your answers from this document into the online form.

For full details, eligibility information, and the link to the online form, visit our website at kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/youth-garden-grant-23.

Eligibility Questions

- Will fifteen or more youth participate in your garden program?
 - Yes
 - No
- If chosen as a winner, will your organization use the funds and implement programming by June 2023?
 - Yes
 - No
- If chosen as a winner, do you agree to submit a year-end report by June 2023, with a project summary, photos, and parental photo release forms for any recognizable youth featured in images?
 - Yes
 - No

If you answered no to any of the questions, you are not eligible to apply for the Youth Garden Grant. For details on eligibility, please review our grant landing page.

Contact Information

- Grant Applicant First Name:
- Grant Applicant Last Name:
- Grant Applicant Job Title:
- Grant Applicant Email Address:
- Confirm Grant Application Email Address:
- Grant Applicant Phone Number:
- Organization Name:
- Garden Program Name:

- Location Name: *Note: Location of the garden by the official name of the school or facility to receive the award (e.g. "Washington Elementary School," "Fairview Botanical Garden"):*
- Address:
- City:
- State or Territory:
- Zip Code:

Program Background Information

- Has your program applied for a Youth Garden Grant before?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Unknown
- Has your program received a grant from KidsGardening before?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Unknown
- If yes, your program has received a grant from KidsGardening, what grant(s) and what year(s)?
- Which of the following best describes your organization?
 - Public School
 - Private School
 - Charter School
 - Nonprofit Agency
 - Community Garden
 - Preschool
 - Head Start
 - Child Care/Day Care
 - Garden Club
 - Summer Camp
 - YMCA
 - Boys and Girls Club
 - Boys Scouts or Girl Scouts
 - Other: _____
- How many youth from each age group will participate directly in the garden program? Enter "0" if you do not anticipate any youth in the age category. *Note: The number of*

youth must be equal to or greater than 15 to be eligible. Applicants should be prepared to provide supporting documentation if requested.

- Ages 0 - 4 (Preschool)
 - Ages 5-10 (Elementary School)
 - Ages 11-13 (Middle/Junior High School)
 - Ages 14-18 (High School)
 - Other: _____
- What are the identities of the youth in your program? Indicate approximately using a percentage.
 - Children of Migrant Worker Families %
 - Children of Refugee Families %
 - Children of Undocumented Families %
 - Youth who Speak Multiple Languages %
 - Justice-involved Youth %
 - LGBTQ+ Youth %
 - Native American, Hawaiian, or Indigenous Youth %
 - Youth of Color %
 - Youth Experiencing Homelessness %
 - Youth in Foster Care %
 - Youth with Disabilities %
 - N/A
 - Do the youth who participate directly in the garden program experience food insecurity? Indicate approximately using a percentage.
 - School's Free/Reduced Cost Lunch %
 - Youth from Low Income or Economically Disadvantaged Families %
 - What needs and challenges does your community have? These should be outside of any garden needs and may include but are not limited to financial, environmental issues, safety concerns, health challenges, community support, or regulatory hurdles. (100-250 words)

Garden Program Description

1. Will you start a new garden or improve an existing garden?
 - New Garden
 - Existing Garden
 - a. If you have an existing garden, please describe your current garden space, such as dimensions of garden beds, garden features, walkways, learning spaces, accessibility, etc. (100-250 words)
2. How many months of the year will youth be involved in your garden program (planning, activities, classes, meetings, programming, etc.) ?

3. What are your garden program's mission and educational goals? (100-250 words)
4. How will youth participate in the garden? How often will they visit, and in what format (club, class, etc.)? (50-100 words)
5. How do you plan to create your new garden or improve your existing garden? Please provide details about your plans and the layout of the garden, such as dimensions of garden beds, garden features, walkways, learning spaces, accessibility, etc. (100-250 words)
6. What plants will you grow? (50-100 words)
7. How will you use the grant funds? Please provide an itemized budget of how you will utilize the \$500 funding. If your project requires more funding, how will you secure the additional funds? (50-100 words)
8. How will you use the garden materials provided by the grant? Please describe how each product will be used in your garden program. (100-250 words)
9. Are you interested in being considered for a specialty award package?
 - Yes, Crescent Garden's Container Garden Specialty Award
 - Yes, Garden Tower's Vertical Garden Specialty Award
 - No
 - a. If yes, why would your program like the specialty award package? How would the package alleviate the challenges your garden program faces? What benefits do you anticipate? How would youth use the materials? (100-250 words)
10. What funding and/or grants has your program received within the last two years? List the amount and year the funding was received. (50-100 words)
11. Who is on your garden program's leadership team? List the individuals and the experience (i.e, lived experience, professional, horticultural, etc.) each leader contributes to your garden program. (100-250 words)
12. How does the community support your garden program (e.g. volunteers, donations, partnerships, etc.)? (100-250 words)
13. What is the maintenance plan for your garden? How will you maintain the garden in the fall, winter, spring, and summer? (100-250 words)
14. How will you continue to keep your garden program going over time? (100-250 words)

Attachments

- **Photos (Required).** Please attach 2-5 photos to help us understand your garden site and the garden program. If you have trouble uploading photos, you may email them to grants@kidsgardening.org.
- **Map (Optional).** Please attach a map of your garden site that includes dimensions.
- **Letter of Support (Optional).** Please attach a one-page letter of support for your program written by someone other than the main contact. This letter can be written by an administrator, parent, or community volunteer demonstrating their support of and appreciation for your program.

Grant Applicant Demographic Information (Optional)

We are collecting demographic information as part of an effort to ensure our grant application process is equitable. **Answers will not play a role in the grant application evaluation nor influence winner selection.**

- I identify as... (Select all that apply)
 - African American or Black
 - Asian or Asian American
 - Hispanic, Latine/LatinX, or Spanish Origin
 - Middle Eastern or North African
 - Native American or Alaska Native
 - Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
 - White
 - Not listed here or prefer to self-describe: _____
 - Prefer not to answer