Birmingham Garden Build Application

**Please note: Do not submit this document to KidsGardening.** Instead, it is to help your organization 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<https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/birmingham-garden-build/>

**Eligibility Quiz**

Is your organization located in Birmingham, Alabama?

* Yes
* No

Is your organization tax-exempt?

* Yes
* No

If chosen as a winner, will your organization be available for a site visit in April? KidsGardening and RSM staff will visit the site to conduct a garden site analysis and learn more about your program.

* Yes
* No

\If chosen as a winner, will your organization be able to host a garden build event on June 5, 2025? KidsGardening and RSM will co-lead the event in partnership with your organization.

* Yes
* No

If chosen as a winner, do you agree to submit the year-end report by June 15, 2026, with a project summary, photos, and parental photo release forms for any recognizable youth featured in images?

* Yes
* No

*Depending on the answers, you are not eligible to apply for the Birmingham garden installation opportunity. For details on eligibility, please review our garden build landing page.*

**Contact Information**

* Applicant First Name:
* Applicant Last Name:
* Applicant Job Title:
* Applicant Email Address:
* Confirm Applicant Email Address:
* Applicant Phone Number:
* Organization Name:
* Organization Tax ID #:
* Organization Address:
* Email Communication: I understand that by applying for the grant opportunity, my email will be shared with KidsGardening for communication about this grant and other related opportunities.

**Background Information**

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
* Juvenile Justice System (detention, correction, court, etc.)

How many youth from each age group do you estimate will participate directly in the garden program? Applicants should be prepared to provide supporting documentation if requested. Note: Every cell must be filled in.

|  | Number of Direct Participants |
| --- | --- |
| Ages 0-4 (Preschool) |  |
| Ages 5-10 (Elementary) |  |
| Ages 11-13 (Middle/Junior High) |  |
| Ages 14-18 (High) |  |

What are the identities of the youth in your program? Applicants should be prepared to provide supporting documentation if requested. Note: Every row must have an answer.

|  | 0-24% | 25-49% | 50-89% | 90-100% |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 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 % |  |  |  |  |
| Biracial or Multiracial % |  |  |  |  |
| White % |  |  |  |  |
| Children of Migrant Worker Families % |  |  |  |  |
| Children of Refugee Families % |  |  |  |  |
| Children of Undocumented Families % |  |  |  |  |
| Youth who Speak Multiple Languages % |  |  |  |  |
| Youth in the Justice System % |  |  |  |  |
| Youth with Incarcerated Family Members % |  |  |  |  |
| LGBTQ+ Youth % |  |  |  |  |
| Youth Experiencing Homelessness % |  |  |  |  |
| Youth in Foster Care % |  |  |  |  |
| Youth with Disabilities % |  |  |  |  |

Do the youth who participate directly in the garden program experience food insecurity? If yes, indicate what type of data you will provide.

* Yes, School’s Free/Reduced Cost Lunch %
* Yes, Census or City Data for Low Income or Economically Disadvantaged Families %
* No

If, Census or City Data for Low Income or Economically Disadvantaged Families %. Applicants should be prepared to provide supporting documentation if requested.

|  | 0-39% | 40-64% | 65-100% |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Census or City Data for Low Income or Economically Disadvantaged Families % |  |  |  |

If you are a school, what is your Free/Reduced Cost lunch rate? If you are an organization, what is a nearby school's rate? Applicants should be prepared to provide supporting documentation if requested.

|  | 0-39% | 40-64% | 65-100% |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| School’s Free/Reduced Cost Lunch % |  |  |  |

**Garden Information**

Will this garden installation be for a new garden or to improve an existing garden?

* New Garden
* Existing Garden

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. (50-150 words)

1. What is the approximate size of your total garden space in square feet? (Number)

2. What does the location of the planned or existing garden space look like? Is it sloped or flat? Do you have access to a water source? How much sunlight does it get? (50-150 words)

3. What do you want your new garden or garden improvement to include? Describe the garden growing spaces and features. e.g., raised beds/in-ground, learning spaces, structures, types of plants, etc. (50-150 words)

4. How will youth participate in the garden? How often will they visit, and in what format (club, class, etc.)? (50-150 words)

5. What will youth learn through the garden program? (50-150 words)

6. What funding and/or grants has your garden program received within the last two years? List the amount and year the funding was received. (50-150 words)

7. Who will help lead the garden build event with KidsGardening and RSM? Who will lead the garden programming after the build and be responsible for sustaining the garden? Please list their names, roles, and affiliations. (50-150 words)

8. How will/does the community support your garden program (e.g. volunteers, donations, partnerships, etc.)? (50-150 words)

9. How will you maintain the garden in the fall, winter, spring, and summer? (50-150 words)

10. How will you sustain your garden program? (50-150 words)

**Required Attachments**

* **Photos or Videos (Required).** Please attach 3-5 photos or videos of the proposed garden site or provide a link to the files below.
* **Land Survey, Scale Map, or Garden Sketch (Required)**. Please attach a land survey, scale map, or garden sketch of the lot. If you do not currently have this information, search for the address of your lot on Google Earth, Google Maps, or request the digital land records or parcel map information from your city. This is often available on your city’s website.

**Optional Demographic Information**

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

I identify as... (Select one)

* African American or Black
* Native American, Indigenous, or Alaska Native
* Asian or Asian American
* Hispanic, Latine/LatinX, or Spanish Origin
* Middle Eastern or North African
* Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
* Biracial or Multi-racial
* White

If biracial or multi-racial, would you like to elaborate? (Select all)

* 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
* Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_