

# Plant it Forward Grant 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 <http://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/plant-it-forward>.

## Eligibility

Which Niagara Bottling facility are you near?

- Diamond Bar, CA
- Ontario, CA
- Phoenix/Mesa, AZ
- Rialto, CA
- Gahanna/Columbus, OH

Is your organization tax-exempt?

- Yes
- No

If chosen as a grantee, will members of your garden team be able to attend bi-weekly virtual meetings related to the garden design and event planning (July - Sept)?

- Yes
- No

If chosen as a grantee, will your garden team be able to manage and purchase garden materials with the awarded grant funds?

- Yes
- No

If chosen as a grantee, do you agree to host a volunteer event with 10 to 30 Niagara employees in the fall of 2026? A weekday morning is the preferred time for the event. Timing will be determined in collaboration with the selected grantee.

- Yes
- No

If chosen as a grantee, do you agree to engage youth in the garden space with ongoing programming during the 2026 - 2027 year?

- Yes
- No

If chosen as a grantee, do you agree to complete a grant-end report in June 2027?

- Yes
- No

*Depending on the answers, you are not eligible to apply for the grant opportunity. For details on eligibility, please review the grant landing page.*

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### **Contact Information**

- Applicant First Name:
- Applicant Last Name:
- Applicant Job Title:
- Applicant Email Address:
- Confirm Applicant Email Address:
- Applicant Phone Number:
- Administrative Lead First Name:
- Administrative Lead Last Name:
- Administrative Lead Job Title:
- Administrative Lead Email address:
  - \*Please note: The administrative lead will be cc'd on all communication.
- Administrative Lead Phone Number:
- Organization Type:
- 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**

- How many youth from each age group do you estimate will participate directly in the garden program?
- What are the identities of the youth in your program?
- What percentage of the youth who will participate directly in the garden program experience food insecurity?
  - Census, Persons in Poverty %
  - School's Free/Reduced Cost Lunch %
- What needs, gaps, or challenges does your community experience that this grant will help address? (150 words maximum)

## Garden Information

Will this be a new garden, or do you already have a garden space?

- New Garden
- Already Have a Garden
  - If you have an existing garden, please describe your current garden, such as dimensions of garden beds, garden features, walkways, learning spaces, accessibility, etc. (150 words maximum).

1. What are your garden program's mission and educational goals? (150 words maximum)

2. How will youth participate in the garden, and at what frequency? (150 words maximum)

3. What does the location of the planned or existing garden space look like?

- Describe the site. e.g., water access, sunlight, soil type, nearby buildings, walkways, etc. (150 words maximum)
- Upload: Photos. Attach 3-5 up-to-date photos of the garden site or provide a link to the files below.
  - Upload
  - Link
- Upload: Video. Attach a video or provide a link to the file below, quickly showing the space (1-minute maximum).
  - Upload
  - Link

4. What do you want your garden to look like?

- Describe the garden growing spaces/features you plan to add or improve. (150 words maximum)
- Upload: Garden Sketch. Attach a quick garden sketch or provide a link to the file below.
  - Upload
  - Link

5. How would you use the grant funds? Provide a detailed itemized budget of when and how you will use the \$10,000 funding. (250 words maximum)

6. What preliminary ideas do you have for the volunteer event day? What garden project tasks would you like help with? (250 words maximum)

7. Who will lead the garden project and future garden programming? Please list their names, roles, affiliations, and related experiences. (Chart)

8. How will the community support your garden? List the names of the specific people and organizations. (Chart)

9. What is your plan to care for the garden year-round and during breaks? (150 words maximum)

10. How will you sustain the garden year-over-year financially and as your organization's garden leadership changes? (150 words maximum)