

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION GRANT GUIDELINES

Who we are

Waste Commission of Scott County (Commission) is an intergovernmental agency with 17 communities and Scott County as our members. Our mission is to provide environmentally sound and economically feasible solid waste management.

The Commission also has an active Environmental Management System (EMS), certified by Iowa DNR, which stresses continuous improvement in the areas of: recycling, household hazardous materials, organic waste, water quality, greenhouse gas reduction and environmental education.

What we do

We operate the Scott Area Landfill, Scott Area Recycling Center, Scott Area Household Hazardous Material Facilities and the Electronic Demanufacturing Facility. In addition, we provide public education and outreach through our iLivehere: myhome ourcommunity® program.

How we are funded

Although we are a governmental agency, no tax dollars are used for any of our programs or services. Funding derives from user fees, primarily those collected at the Scott Area Landfill. Fees are paid to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for waste going into our landfill. A portion of the fees are retained locally to provide waste reduction and recycling programs.

Grant dollars

As part of our commitment to waste reduction, recycling and public education, this grant program provides local educational institutions the opportunity to provide additional projects, programs, events, curriculum and education on topics that relate to the Commission's mission.

Each quarter, we set aside a portion of the fees retained locally for waste reduction and recycling programs to fund this grant program. The amount available is dependent upon that quarter's revenue. Each school in Scott County is eligible for up to **\$500 in any 12-month period**. Grant requests over \$500 will be considered on a limited basis and must include justification for the additional amount requested and matching funds. Contact Kathy Morris, 563-381-1300 or kmorris@wastecom.com more information.

Eligibility and Requirements

- Educational institution must be located in Scott County, Iowa.
- Grant dollars may only be used for campuses and facilities located in Scott County, Iowa.
- Funds are awarded on a *reimbursement* basis. Applicants must submit their project proposal/plan for review prior to implementation, not after completion.
- Grant recipients are required to complete a one page Final Report at the end of their project, outlining the use of their award and documenting outcomes and results, how the project was

promoted and the Commission recognized. Award recipients are also encouraged to submit digital photos of the project.

For more information on Waste Commission of Scott County, visit www.wastecom.com.

Award Criteria

Applications are reviewed on an on-going basis by an internal review committee. Award winners will be notified within 30 days of the receipt of the application. Applications are judged based on the following criteria:

- Proposed project or activity aligns with Commission’s mission or EMS (30%)
- Sustainability or environmental impact of the activity or project (20%)
- Number of grants already received from the Commission (10%)
- Well written and detailed project plan (20%)
- Does the Commission receive trash, recycling, electronic waste, hazardous material or other waste from the agency applying? (20%)

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EDUCATION GRANT APPLICATION

Name of School:		Grade(s) Targeted:	
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Contact Name and Title:		Today's Date:	
E-mail:		Phone:	
Amount of Funding Requested \$:		Total Project Budget \$:	
Please list where your school is disposing of its trash, recycling, electronic waste and hazardous material:			
Project Category: (check all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Recycling	<input type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse Gas Reduction	<input type="checkbox"/> Organic Waste	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Quality
<input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Materials	<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Waste Reduction	<input type="checkbox"/> Beautification
Project Description:			
Describe how this project will help improve our local environment:			
Describe how you will measure and report the success of this project:			
Project Timeline:			
Describe how the Commission will be recognized or acknowledged for its donation toward this project:			

Please mail or e-mail typed applications to:

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 Call 563.381.1300 with questions.

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