

# **DEACS Recycling Grant Opportunities**

November 3, 2022 Webinar



# Agenda

- Introduction and Grants Overview
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  - 2) Food Waste Reduction Grant
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    - Project examples: Lexington, Waynesville, Iredell County
- How to Apply and FAQs
- Q&A



# **DEACS Local Government Grants Webpage**

## <u>https://deq.nc.gov/conservation/recycling/local-government-</u> <u>recycling-assistance/grant-programs</u>



The N.C. Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service (DEACS) administers the Solid Waste Outreach Program including associated funds for making grants to local governments in support of waste reduction efforts. Local governments interested in these grants are encouraged to check this website periodically for updates. Please be aware that funding levels, contract periods and eligibility requirements vary between the different grant programs. Current and recent opportunities and application guidelines are listed below. Please contact the appropriate staff person if you have additional questions.

### Community Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant Program - OPEN

Proposals are now being accepted for the 2023 Community Waste Reduction and Recycling (CWRAR) Grant Program. Download the 2023 CWRAR Grant request for proposals: <u>PDF</u> or <u>Word</u>.

This recurring annual grant program provides funding to local governments for projects that build lasting capacity to divert materials from the waste stream and / or increase public awareness of recycling. Proposals are due by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 10, 2023. For more information or assistance please contact <u>Sandy Skolocheniko at 919 707-8147</u>.

### Multifamily Recycling Grant Program - OPEN

This special grant program offers funding to initiate or expand multifamily recycling programs within the state. Download the Multifamily Recycling Grant request for proposals: PDF or Word. Programs Offered
Recycling Business Assistance
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Grants for Local
Governments
Grants for Recycling Businesses
Recycling Support for Local

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Partner Programs

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Eligible applicants include local governments, recycling businesses or non-profits, multifamily property owners, or multifamily property management companies. Grant funds may be used to purchase typical equipment needs to start or expand the collection of traditional household recyclables (paper, cardboard, metal cans, glass and plastic bottles and containers) from multifamily residences. Examples of eligible purchases include carts, dumpsters, collection vehicles, concrete pads, recycling corrais and education. Proposals will be accepted on a rolling basis through February 16, 2023. For more information or assistance please contact Sandy Skolochenko at 919 707-8147.

Watch the Multifamily Recycling Webinar to learn more.

### Food Waste Reduction Grant - OPEN

This special grant program offers funding to help local governments, non-profits, and businesses reduce the amount of wasted food being disposed in landfills. Download the Food Waste Reduction Grant request for proposals: <u>PDF</u> or <u>Word</u>.

Eligible applicants include food rescue organizations, local governments, compost facilities, and compost businesses. Grant funds may be used for projects that expand food donation networks or compost operations, including collection and hauling. Proposals are due by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2023. For more information or assistance please contact <u>Christine</u> Wittmeler at 919-707-8121.

Learn more about food waste reduction.

# **DEACS Recycling Grants**

Multifamily Recycling Grant	Food Waste Reduction Grant	Community Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant
Implement or expand	Reduce food waste	Expand or improve
recycling at multifamily	through food donation	recycling or waste
properties (new tons)	or compost operations	reduction programs
\$250,000 max \$25,000 min 10% cash match	\$80,000 max No minimum 20% cash match	\$40,000 max priority \$30,000 max standard No minimum 20% cash match
Proposals due: 2/16/2023	Proposals due: 1/19/2023	Proposals due: 2/16/2023
Project start: 7/1/2023	Project start: 5/1/2023	Project start: 7/1/2023

# **Multifamily Recycling Grant**

- **Goal:** Provide new or expanded recycling at multifamily properties (new tons)
- Proposals due: February 16, 2023
- Grant funding: \$250,000 maximum \$25,000 minimum
- Cash match: 10% of grant funds
- Eligible entities include:
  - Local governments
  - Recycling businesses
  - Multifamily property owners and managers
- Estimated project start date: July 1, 2023

Multifamily: multiple residential units in one structure or parcel or defined by local ordinance

- Condos/townhomes
- Public housing
- Mobile home parks
- Multi-use
- Apartment complexes



# **Multifamily Recycling Grant**

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## **Example purchases:**

- Containers: recycling carts, dumpsters, roll-offs
- Collection vehicles
- Infrastructure: concrete pads, corrals, fencing
- Educational materials\* : signage, labels, handouts, magnets, in-unit bins or totes



\* Education components are required for all multifamily recycling grants. However, educationonly projects are not eligible for funding.

# Multifamily Recycling Webinar

Topics covered:

- National Perspective and Best Practices The Recycling Partnership (0:04:00)
- Grant Opportunity and Multifamily Recycling in NC DEACS (0:16:00)
- Panel: Local Perspectives and Lessons Learned (0:54:00)
  - $_{\rm \odot}$  City of Greenville
  - New Hanover County
  - Trac Management (Orange County)

## Watch the Webinar Recording



# Food Waste Reduction Grant

- **Goal:** Reduce the amount of wasted food being disposed in landfills through food donation or composting
- Proposals due: January 19, 2023
- Grant funding: up to \$80,000
- Cash match: 20% of grant funds
- Eligible entities include:
  - Food rescue organizations
  - Local governments
  - Compost facilities and businesses
- Estimated project start date: May 1, 2023



# **Food Waste Reduction Grant**

## **Example purchases:**

- Establish a drop-off site for residential or commercial food scraps
- Carts, truck or cart-tipper for curbside food scrap collection
- Wheel loader to improve efficiency and capacity of food scrap management at a compost facility
- Build an aerated-static pile for food scrap composting
- Concrete pad to improve efficiency and capacity of food scrap management at a compost facility
- Mobile refrigerator to improve efficiency and capacity of food bank transportation



## **Food Waste Reduction Grant**

## Recent project examples:

## Town of Davidson

Charlene Minor Natural Assets and Sustainability Coordinator Food waste drop-off sites

## **Henderson County**

Amy Schmitte Environmental Programs Coordinator Compost facility upgrades



Town of Davidson









# **Community Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant**

- **Goal:** Expand or improve recycling or waste reduction programs and/or increase public awareness of these programs
- Proposals due: February 16, 2023
- **Grant funding:** up to \$40,000 for priority projects up to \$30,000 for standard projects
- Cash match: 20% of grant funds
- Eligible entities include:
  - Local governments
- Estimated project start date: July 1, 2023



# **Community Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant**

## **2023 Priority Projects:**

- Curbside recycling expansions or upgrades to carts
- Cart tagging

- Glass recycling
- Permanent household hazardous waste (HHW)

**Standard Projects:** any project that will improve or enhance recycling or waste reduction programs or increase public awareness. Examples include but are not limited to:

- Drop-off recycling infrastructure
- Vehicles or infrastructure for recycling collection or consolidation
- Education and outreach initiatives
- Hard-to-recycle programs: electronics, latex paint, construction & demolition debris, textiles, other plastics...



# **Community Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant**

## Recent project examples:

## **City of Lexington**

Mike Horney Public Services Director Glass and cardboard recycling drop-off sites

## **Town of Waynesville**

Rob Hites Town Manager Recycling cart upgrade

## **Iredell County**

Jeff Boyd Safety Environmental and Recycling Supervisor Permanent HHW facility







### WAYNESVILLE, **MEET YOUR NEW RECYCLING CART!**

No more blue bags! Your cart will replace the blue bags previously used for residential recycling. This cart will make recycling easier and allow you to recycle more.

CARTS?

CAN I RECYCLE PLASTIC BAGS OR WRAP IN MY CART?

No. Keep all plastic bags out of your recycling cart. Plastic

recycling facility and can harm workers. Plastic bags and wrap can be taken to your local participating retail or

bags and wrap tangle in the sorting equipment at the

WHERE DO I STORE MY RECYCLING AND TRASH

Please store your carts behind or beside your home. To

store your recycling cart and trash receptacles in front

of your home, you must receive permission from the

Public Services Director and erect a fenced enclosure

with no more than a 2-inch space between slats. Town employees will not be responsible for removing carts

A RECYCLING CART WAS DELIVERED TO MY HOME,

We strongly encourage you to use your recycling cart for

at least one month. If after that time you still want to opt-

out, you can call 828-456-3706 and the Town will take the

cart back. The Town will not pick up recyclable materials

BUT I DO NOT WANT IT. WILL YOU TAKE IT BACK?

in any container not provided by the Town.

WHAT IF MY CART IS STOLEN OR DAMAGED?

Each cart will be assigned to an address. If your cart

is lost, stolen, or damaged, please call 828-456-3706 so that the Town can make arrangements to repair or

WHAT DO I DO WITH THE RECYCLING CART IF I MOVE? The cart is property of the Town of Waynesville. Please

leave your town-issued cart in the rear of your residence

grocery stores for recycling drop off.

from enclosures for collection.

replace your cart.

if you move.

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#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A RECYCLING CART FROM THE CITY?

Only Town residential solid waste customers (those that receive garbage services provided by the Town) are eligible to receive a recycling cart.

WHEN IS CURBSIDE RECYCLING COLLECTED IN MY AREA AND AT WHAT TIME SHOULD I PLACE IT OUT FOR COLLECTION?

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### Waynesville To learn more,

### etc.

can be taken to Haywood

NORTH CAROLINA visit waynesvillenc.gov or call 828-456-3706.

## WE'RE ON A **RECYCLING CARTS ARRIVING IN SPRING 2022.**

Meet your new recycling cart, Town of Waynesville!

Wavnesville To learn more, NORTH CAROLINA visit waynesvillenc.gov or call 828-456-3706.



### Town of Waynesville

THE RECYCLING Funded in part by

### CURBSIDE **COLLECTION GUIDE**

Designed for residents of Waynesville, this reference quide on the city's public services tells how to property prepare your recyclables and vard waste to ensure efficient curbside collection.

Household waste and recyclables are collected weekly. Collection days are based on where you live in the town. Please call the Public Services Department for your specific collection day at: 828-452-2491. During holiday weeks, your normal collection day may change. Refer to the holiday schedule on our website for collection date changes.

- Items must be placed at curbside no later than 7:00 a.m. on collection day.
- Yard waste is collected by the curb on the first full and third week of each month.
- Bulky items are collected the second and fourth week of each month.

### MEET YOUR NEW **RECYCLING CART!**

- With your new recycling cart, you no longer need to bag recyclables for pickup.
- · Do not put ANY plastic bags in the recycling cart!
- Place the recyclable items depicted on this brochure directly into the cart without any plastic bags.
- When placing the recycling cart at the curb, face the handle toward the street so the collection truck can grab it easily.



### YARD WASTE AND BULKY ITEMS **COLLECTION SCHEDULE** YARD WASTE BULKY ITEMS HOLIDAY

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**DON'T TANGLE OR CONTAMINATE!** FOR A GREENER STATE



### RECYCLE ALL TOGETHER



### GLASS



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### **KEEP THESE ITEMS OUT!** ♦ Aerosol cans **Q** All batteries **Q** Food-tainted items (car, lithium, etc.) **O** Hazardous waste O Ceramic items

**O** Household glass O Clothing or textiles O Medical waste O Diapers O Plastic bags/wrap O Disposable cups ◎ Scrap metal/wood (plastic and paper)

**O** Shredded paper © Styrofoam/peanuts **⊘** Tanglers (cords, hoses, wires, etc.) **O** Tires **⊘** Toys

PAPER

Paper, cartons and cardboard

Empty and rinse

Flatten cardboard

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### VARD WASTE

Yard waste is collected by the curb on the first full and third week of each month.

#### DO NOT USE YOUR RECYCLING CART FOR YARD WASTE.

#### Items acceptable for pickup include:

- Brush: Tree limbs no more than 3 inches in diameter and 6 feet in length
- Hedge trimmings
- Grass and vines: Free of trash and placed for handling with a pitchfork. Bag loose yard trimmings that can't be handled easily with a pitchfork (30 pound maximum limit per bag).
- Items no heavier than two men can lift.

DO NOT put logs, stumps, root balls, land cleared, machine piled or contract tree trimming materials at the curb. This service is for residential use ONLY!

- Please keep yard waste off the streets and sidewalks and out of drainage ditches.
- Limbs are chipped on-site and must be free of wire or anything that may hinder or damage the chipping equipment.

Leaf Collection: The Sanitation Department uses a vacuum leaf collection process each fall to collect unbagged leaves. Leaves are collected following the same routes used for garbage collection. Vacuum leaf collection operations are undertaken in the fall from mid-October to mid-January each year. For more information, visit; waynesvillenc.gov.

### Town of Waynesville





- Paint is limited to (15) one-gallon cans per household!
- Iredell County Solid Waste reserves the right to refuse waste in excess of a normal household quantity.
- For more information, call (704) 878-5430.

Pesticide Disposal Provided By:

NC COOPERATIVE



- Enter the facility and bypass the scale

DIRECTIONS

- Take the second road on the right and follow the signs to the appliance area

- The facility is halfway up the hill on the right side at the yellow brick building

# **DEACS Graphic Design Services**

- Available to any local government (grantee or not)
- <u>Ready-to-use materials</u> and <u>customizable templates</u>







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### **Customized Outreach Material Order Form**

# How to Apply for Grant Funding

Follow instructions in the **Required Proposal Format** section.

- Title
- Applicant Info
- Project Description: answer 6-8 questions as prompted
- Timeline
- Budget Table

Proposal could be as short as 2 pages!



## McDonald County CWRAR Application

### 2018 CWRAR: McDonald County Purchase of Equipment to Improve Commingled Recycling Efficiency.

#### Contact Information:

Ronald McDonald, McDonald County Public Works Director McDonald County Public Works Department 1234 Main St. Cityin, North Carolina 23456 Phone: 828-555-5555 E-Mail: ronald.mcdonald@mcdonaldgov.com

Date of proposal Submittal: February 09, 2018

#### General Requirements:

McDonald County certifies that North Carolina solid waste disposal tax received by the county are used completely for solid waste management purposes. McDonald County is using these funds to support the operation of the recycling and disposal programs offered to our residents at the convenience centers located around the county.

McDonald County certifies that it provides recycling opportunities for our staff in our government buildings and encourages the staff to participate in recycling. At the government buildings we pick up: Plastic bottles, lids, aluminum cans, tin food cans, white paper, Shredded paper, books, magazines, cardboard.

McDonald County collects fluorescent bulbs at the public works department for transportation to Lighting Resources in Johnson City, TN. Lighting Resources provides pick up for mercury devices for the county's public buildings if they have mercury containing thermostats.

### Project Description:

1 - Description and quantities of items to be purchased with grant funds.

Over the last year McDonald County Solid Waste has contemplated ideas on how to increase our recycling efficiency. Our goal is to make it more convenient, and efficient for the residents of McDonald County. McDonald County operates seven convenient centers across our county. We currently use fifty gallon containers with trash bag liners to put our commingled materials in. I would like to purchase three twenty yard recycling roll off containers to replace the use of the fifty gallon containers. We desperately need to start upgrading our convenience sites to handle an increase in recycling materials that the commingled process will generate. The installation of the recycling roll off containers will save our county money per year in hauling fees and the purchase of buying trash bag liners. With the grant award we will purchase

educational signs and brochures for the convenience sites. McDonald County will work with NC DEACS to design the signs and brochures.

2 - Description of the anticipated life of service

The roll-off containers are expected to last for 10 years. The signs should last for at least 3-4 years and the brochures should last for one year plus.

3 - Estimate of the number of households or businesses that will be impacted

The roll-off containers will be placed at three convenience sites. We estimate these sites regularly serve about 6,300 households. Brochures will be distributed to all seven convenience sites, which are open to all households in McDonald County (approximately 17,800)

4 - Estimate of the waste reduction impact of the proposed project

We expect to see an increase in recycling by making it more convenient for residents to participate, although we don't know how much of an increase we will see. New signage and brochures will also help to encourage more people to participate in recycling.

5 – Description of whether the grant project is a new service, expanded service, or support to an existing service

The project will enhance the recycling available to residents at three convenience sites, making it more convenient and efficient for residents to recycle, increasing capacity at each site, and making the hauling more efficient for the County.

### Project Timeline:

9/1/2018: Containers and outreach materials bought and put into use.

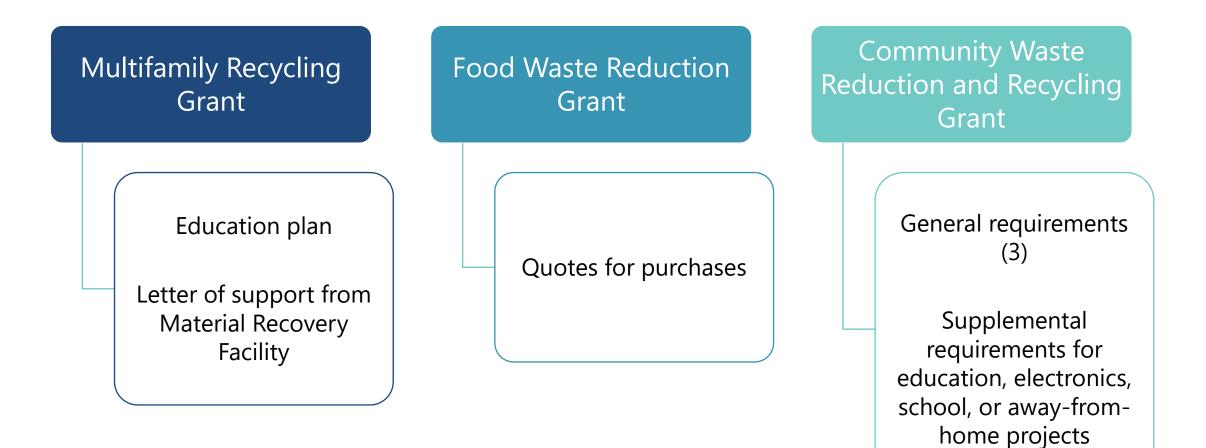
5/31/2019: All invoices and draft final report submitted to DEACS

6/30/2019: Final report submitted to DEACS to close out grant.

### Project Budget:

Project Element	Estimated Cost		
20-yard recycling roll-off	\$19,500		
containers			
Educational materials:	\$600		
signs and brochures			
	Total Project	State Grant	McDonald
	Cost	Funds	County Match
Total Project Budget	\$20,100	\$16,750	\$3,350

# **Additional Proposal Requirements**



# If Selected for Grant Funding

Feb 16: proposal due date

Early April: grant awards announced

April: prep for grant contract

- Finalize proposal with DEACS
- Register in <u>NC e-Procurement</u>
- Submit a <u>Conflict of Interest Policy</u>
- Provide Federal Tax ID
- DEACS will check for any NOVs with Division of Waste Management

May/June: DEQ sends grant contract for signature

- Obtain board or council approval (if required)
- Sign and return contract

DEQ signs and returns fully executed contract

July 1: Grant contract start date!

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- Are the grants competitive?
- Can I apply for replacement equipment?
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- Are shipping charges eligible to be included in the grant?
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- Are the grants competitive? Yes, last year we received 33 proposals and awarded 21 projects.
- Can I apply for replacement equipment? Yes, under CWRAR but replacement projects generally do not compete well.
- What if I want to educate about multifamily recycling or food waste reduction but I'm not adding infrastructure? Education-only projects are eligible under CWRAR.
- Are shipping charges eligible to be included in the grant? Yes. Reminder: sales tax must be excluded.
- Can I apply with a partner organization? Yes, but you must identify one primary applicant.



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