

Wes-Tex

Resource Conservation & Development Area, Inc.

"Making things happen for West Texas"

Matching Grant Program Application

Name of Organization _____
Contact Person _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
County _____
Phone _____ Fax _____
Email _____

Project Title:

Project Abstract: (100 words maximum)

Statement of Need:

Project Narrative: (briefly describe the background and the approach to the project)

Project Schedule:

Office Use Only

App. Number _____
Date Received _____

Evaluation

Objectives _____
Need _____
Benefits _____
Commitment _____
Innovative _____
TOTAL _____

Dissemination: (describe how your work will be shared with others, publicized, etc.)

Budget: (examples included in the following)

- Salaries
- Travel
- Equipment (rental or purchase)
- Supplies
- Contractual (consultants)
- Construction (itemize costs for construction – mockups or samples, purchasing construction materials required to complete the proposed project)
- Other (postage, printing, etc.)

Total Project Budget:

Contributions:

- Cash
- In-Kind (volunteer time, services, material, etc.)

Expected Benefits: (be specific and quantify, i.e., number of people served, jobs created, etc.)

The following information will be used for our reporting purposes only. It is not part of the ranking criteria. Please provide your best estimate.

1	Number of white females served	
2	Number of white males served	
3	Number of Hispanic females served	
4	Number of Hispanic males served	
5	Number of black females served	
6	Number of black males served	
7	Number of other females served	
8	Number of other males served	
	TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE SERVED	

Recommended by:

Signature of Wes-Tex Board of Director

I certify that this proposed project meets the objectives of the Wes-Tex RC&D Area Plan and is eligible for RC&D assistance.

Matching Grant Program Information

Goal: To provide matching grant for a worthy community project in each county of the Wes-Tex RC&D Area.

Eligibility

1. Organizations, Units of Government and businesses located within the sixteen county region of the Wes-Tex RC&D Area are eligible to apply.
2. Proposed projects must be eligible for RC&D assistance by providing public benefit and relate Land Conservation, Water Management, Economic Development or Community Sustainability.

Guidelines

1. Submit **only** the Matching Grant Program application. You may use your own form so long as the format is followed. DO NOT attach any additional documents.
2. Eligible projects must fall within the purpose and goals of the Wes-Tex RC&D Area Plan.
3. Grants will be limited to a maximum amount of \$500.
4. Grant funds will require at least an **equal match** (1:1) of cash or in-kind services or materials.
5. Grant funds will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis.
6. Grant applications must have the approval of the Wes-Tex RC&D Director representing that county prior to being submitted. See the Director's list attached.
7. Applications will be accepted on a year-round basis but there will be two ranking periods. The first ranking period is in January and the second is in August. To be considered for funding during the first ranking period, applications must be received by **December 31st** or **June 30th** to be considered during the second ranking period. Applications are to be submitted to Wes-Tex RC&D Area, Inc., 200-D West Taylor, Morton, TX 79346 or to your Wes-Tex RC&D county director. Notification of proposal acceptance will be twice annually, January 30th and August 1st.

Evaluation

1. A committee from the Wes-Tex Board of Directors will score individual applications.
2. Applications will be ranked within each county of the Wes-Tex RC&D Area. If there are no applications from a certain county, the next highest scored application from the Wes-Tex Area will be approved.
3. Applications will be scored on the following questions:
 - ◆ *Objectives* - How well does the proposed project meet the objectives of the Wes-Tex Area Plan?
 - ◆ *Need* - Does the project clearly address an identified community or environmental need?
 - ◆ *Benefits* - Are the benefits broad and clearly defined? Are benefits wide spread and not isolated?
 - ◆ *Commitment* - Is there significant local commitment? How much has the community contributed? What is the ratio of grant request to other sources?
 - ◆ *Innovative* - Is the project innovative? What is the possibility of the project being used in other communities?

If approved, grantee will sign a Cooperative Agreement and agree to:

1. Use funds according to description in grant application.
2. Indicate significant progress within six months of notification of proposal acceptance. If not grantee will relinquish commitment of funds back to Wes-Tex RC&D.
3. Fully implement proposed project within twelve months after approval.
4. Notify Wes-Tex of any changes to original proposal.
5. Petition Wes-Tex Board of Directors for approval of any extension to implement project.
6. Provide bills, receipts or other cost documentation and project funding worksheet to the Wes-Tex RC&D office for reimbursement.
7. Notify Wes-Tex RC&D office when project is completed and allow review and/or inspection by Wes-Tex staff and the county RC&D director or committee.
8. Provide copies of any photos or publicity of project or publications produced with grant funds.
9. Allow Wes-Tex to use project as example of assistance available through the RC&D program.

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