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Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan



LITTER CONTROL GRANT PROGRAM



Litter Control Grant Program

2027 Grant Cycle (July 1, 2026 thru June 30, 2027) Anticipated Live Date in wvOasis – April 2027

- Dollar to dollar matching grant up to \$5,000
 - In-kind match may be used
- Eligibility Municipalities, County Commissions & County Solid Waste Authorities
- Grant may be used for the initiation, continuation, or expansion of a local litter control program.
- Applications <u>must be submitted</u> in VSS by 11:59 pm on May 31st. <u>Emailed applications WILL NOT be accepted.</u>
- Contact the wvOasis help desk for ALL technical issues.
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Litter Control Grants WV Code §22-15A- 4

- Litter Control Fund
- 50% of civil penalties resulting from violations of state litter laws





Litter Control Grants

- Examples of authorized uses of grant funds
 - Enforcement of anti-litter statutes
 - Local litter cleanup campaigns/public awareness
 - Litter control equipment and supplies
 - Other relevant items upon Division approval
- Unauthorized uses of grant funds
 - Any use not related to litter prevention, elimination, or control
 - Beautification projects, landscaping or roadside vegetation removal
 - Equipment routinely used for transporting solid waste
 - Landfill operation
 - Office equipment

RECYCLING ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM



REAP Recycling Assistance Grant Program

Grants are for planning, initiating, expanding, or upgrading recycling programs, for public education programs which promote recycling and for market procurement.



RECYCLING ASSISTANCE GRANTS

2027 Grant Cycle
(January 1, 2027 thru February 28, 2028)
Anticipated to go LIVE in wvOasis VSS in May 2026.

- Applications <u>must be submitted in VSS</u> by 5pm on the first business day in July. <u>Emailed</u> <u>applications WILL NOT be accepted.</u>
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Available Funding Levels:

- Local Government Feasibility Study \$35,000
- County or Regional Solid Waste Authority \$150,000
- County Commission \$150,000
- Municipality (population over 10,000) \$150,000
- Municipality (population under 10,000)
 \$75,000
- State Agency \$75,000
- State Instrumentality (School) \$75,000
- Other Interested Parties (Private Businesses) \$75,000
 & Non-Profits
- Multiple entities applying to benefit the same project, facility, or program may not exceed a combined MAXIMUM request of \$250,000.

Recycling Assistance Grants

- Ineligible Entities:
- An applicant that has a current grant from the Recycling Assistance Grant Program.

Request for Waiver:

Submitted to the DEP Cabinet Secretary for the following reasons **ONLY**:

- Significant damages, through no fault of the applicant, caused by fire, flood, or other act of nature.
- New legislative requirements or restrictions that materially affect program operations.
- An entity that financially benefited from a Recycling Assistance Grant the previous year.
- A grant recipient who has filed a delinquent Final Comprehensive Report is ineligible for two years following the year in which the delinquent final report was received.
- A grant recipient who has a final report or funds outstanding and due to the department.

Recycling Assistance Grants

Top eligibility issues for local governments applying for the Recycling Assistance Grant:

- #1 issue: Required financial audit or review not completed and signed by Auditor's Office. For the 2027 Recycling Assistance grant cycle, FY2024 and 2023 financial reviews or audits will be required for local governments.
- #2 issue: Expired or lack of regulatory requirements met such as DEP Stormwater permit or County Comprehensive Plans.

Legislative Rule 33-10-12.6: The grant recipient shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations. The Department may withdraw all funds from grant recipients who fail to comply with grant guidelines.

Approved Uses of Recycling Assistance Grant

- Personnel \$25,000 max.
- Conference Attendance \$1,500 max.
- Office Supplies \$1,000 max.
- Operational Supplies
- Equipment
- Recycling Vehicle Expense
- Printing & Advertising
- Promotional Items
- Effective 2024 grant cycle: Computer hardware and software used 100% for recycling operations.



Approved Uses of Recycling Assistance Grant

- Utilities –. Maximum of \$1,200 for phone charges. Rent / lease stipulations.
- Recycling Facility Construction, Improvements and Repairs – For land owned or rented / leased.
 - Rent / lease stipulations.
- Professional Services
- Contractual Services



Grants may not be used for:

- Purchase or leasing of dumpsters not used for recycling.
- Land acquisitions.
- Office equipment
- Street sweepers, snowplows, etc.
- Entertainment cost such as banquets, parties, etc.
- Alcoholic beverages, in–state lunches, food and gratuities.
- Beautification projects unless the purpose is for natural screening to neighboring properties.
- Lobbying expense.

Making Purchases

- Purchases Between \$5,000 and \$10,000
 - Grant recipients shall solicit a <u>minimum of three verbal bids</u> for all purchases which have an estimated value between five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
 - A no-bid is not a valid bid.
 - Electronic bids are acceptable. Screen prints from internet sites in which the commodity or service is for sale and may be procured can substitute for a verbal bid.

Purchases Over \$10,000

- You must place a Class II legal advertisement in the newspaper with the largest circulation serving your region (e.g., Parkersburg News and Sentinel, Charleston Gazette).
 - The ad must run once a week, for two consecutive weeks
 - Bid Packets MUST be submitted to our office for approval PRIOR to purchase. Bid Packet to include the following:
 - Affidavit of Publication from Newspaper
 - Complete set of specs
 - Copies of ALL bids received
 - Award Recommendation Letter
 - List of all vendors contacted if applicable

Recycling Assistance Grants Application Timeline

July 1: Application Deadline. Applicants reviewed and

cured in order received.

• July 31: Cure Period Deadline

Early October: Grant Review Committee Meeting

• Early December: Grant award and denied notifications

Late December: Grant training deadline

Recycling Assistance Grants Grant Cycle Timeline

- January 1: Grant Period begins. 1st of 4 allotments processed
- April 30: 1st Quarter Report Due
- July 31st
 2nd Quarter Report Due
- October 31st 3rd Quarter Report Due
- *Subsequent allotments released upon receipt of quarterly reports.
- November 1: Deadline to start bidding procedures
- January 31: 4th Quarter Report Due
- February 28: Last day to expend grant funds/end of grant cycle
- March 31: Final Comprehensive Report Deadline
- Post grant cycle: Site visits for construction projects and 5-year lien period with annual site visits for equipment

purchased.

COVERED ELECTRONIC DEVICES RECYCLING GRANT PROGRAM



Covered Electronic Devices Recycling Grant Program

2027 Grant Cycle (October 1, 2026 thru September 30, 2027) Anticipated to go LIVE in wvOasis July 2026

- Eligibility Municipalities, County Commissions & County Solid Waste Authorities
- Maximum request of \$40,000
 - First \$20,000 requires no matching funds.
 - Over \$20,000 requires a dollar to dollar match from the grantee.
- Purpose: To establish CED recycling or takeback programs, CED collection events, and CED recycling educational programs.
- Applications <u>must be submitted in VSS</u> by 11:59pm on August 31st. <u>Emailed applications WILL NOT be accepted.</u>
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Covered Electronic Devices Recycling Grant Program Funding WV Code §22-15A- 25

Covered Electronic Devices Takeback Fund

 Annual registration fees from manufacturers wishing to sell or lease covered electronic devices

Covered Electronic Devices Recycling Grant Program

- Examples of authorized uses of grant funds
 - Public awareness and advertising
 - Program operation or implementation
 - Supplies and equipment
 - E-cycling Contractor Fees
- Unauthorized uses of grant funds
 - Land acquisitions
 - Office furniture and equipment
 - Entertainment costs
 - Alcoholic beverages, meals, gratuities
 - Beautification costs
 - Landfill operation/management
 - Any type of lobbying expenses



wvOasis Helpdesk

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 Chat feature is also available on their website for additional support. (www.wvoasis.gov)

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