



July 1, 2018

To All Interested Organizations

The Arkansas Flower and Garden Show is proud to announce that we are currently accepting applications for the **"Greening of Arkansas"** Grant Program. We hope to encourage organizations and civic groups to beautify their communities and enhance their quality of life through horticulture. Since 2006 the Greening of Arkansas Grant Program has been funded from proceeds from the Arkansas Flower and Garden Show, Inc. along with support from other entities.

Grants may be used to construct plantings to beautify neighborhood parks and public spaces. Grant awards are available up to \$2,500 at the discretion of the Greening of Arkansas Grant Committee. A lesser grant amount may be awarded based on the project's merits and benefits to the community.

The procedure for applying for the Grant Program is enclosed. For more information, please contact:

Merilyn Tilley, Chairman
Greening of Arkansas Committee
Email at merilyntilley@gmail.com
or phone 501-225-0127



GREENING OF ARKANSAS GRANT PROGRAM

A PROGRAM DEVELOPED AND MANAGED BY THE ARKANSAS FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Greening of Arkansas program supports the development and ongoing care of green spaces in towns across Arkansas. Working in partnership with neighborhood residents, community organizations and local governments, the Greening of Arkansas Grant program was developed to promote the idea of a greener and cleaner environment by encouraging civic plantings in the community. This program can promote community pride, rejuvenate streets, re-energize neighbors, and improve Arkansas' image.

General Requirements:

1. Applicants must be a non-profit community-based or civic organization located in the State of Arkansas.
2. Grant award funds may only be used for the project in the area defined in the plan and project description.
3. At least **60%** of grant award funds must be used for plant material (trees, shrubs, flowers, etc.)
4. Applications for beautification projects with long-term and broad impact in a community will be scored higher and are more likely to be funded. Sustainable projects that will continue to benefit a community for years to come are more likely to be funded.
5. Grant funds will NOT provide awards for projects on private property.
6. Organizations who receive a Greening Grant must wait two years before they can apply for another.
7. Award application must include **four copies** of the following: 1) application form; 2) project summary form with attached diagrams and documents; and 3) photograph of intended site. **Incomplete applications will be eliminated in an initial screening of applications.**
8. A Final Report & Record of Expenses must be sent to the Arkansas Flower & Garden Show (AF&GS) one year after the grant is received. The Final Report may be in the form of a PowerPoint presentation or other digital format.
9. If all of the grant award funds are NOT used by March 1, 2019, the remaining funds will be returned to the AF&GS by April 15, 2019.

Mail **four copies** of the completed application and all related material to:

Mary Beth Rogers, Executive Director
Arkansas Flower and Garden Show
P. O. Box 185
Bryant, AR 72089



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APPLICATION FORM

Organization Name _____

Project Name _____ Amount Requested \$ _____

Project Location (city, town, or area) _____

Please mark an "X" on the map in the approximate location of the project.

What is the population of the closest city/town to the project? _____

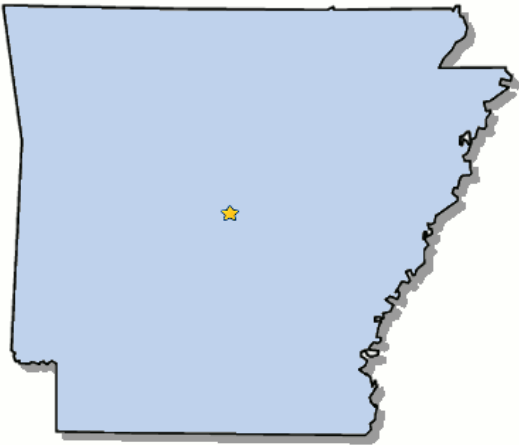
Brief Description of Project: _____

Contact Person _____ Phone _____

Contact E-mail Address _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Zip _____



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Has your organization submitted a Greening of Arkansas grant application during a previous grant cycle? _____
If so, in what year? _____

Did that project receive a Greening of Arkansas grant? _____ If "yes", please give a brief description of the
previously funded project. _____

DEADLINES:	October 3, 2018	Application mailed to AF&GS-must be postmarked by this date.
	December 14, 2018	Organization notified of award by mail.
	March, 2019	Grant checks awarded.
	March 1, 2020	Greening Project should be completed. A digital Final Report & Record of Expenses should be provided to the AF&GS.

The information contained in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I have read, understand, and agree to the general requirements and deadlines for the Greening of Arkansas grant.

Signature of Organization's Representative _____ Date _____



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PROJECT SUMMARY FORM

Organization Name: _____

Project Name: _____

(You may write in the spaces provided or use separate paper.)

1. **Describe** the proposed Greening of Arkansas Project and location. Please provide photograph(s) of site.

2. Attach **diagram** of proposed project. Include area to be landscaped, bed shapes and sizes, and types of plantings.

3. Attach a **plant list and approximate budget** for the project.

4. Describe your organization's plan to **maintain** project area after completion, including people, resources and availability of water.

5. Describe how the proposed project will **benefit** the public.



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PROJECT FINAL REPORT & RECORD OF EXPENSES

A Final Report & Record of Expenses must be sent to the Arkansas Flower & Garden Show (AF&GS) one year after the grant is received. The Final Report may be in the form of a PowerPoint presentation or other digital format and should include high resolution pictures of the project installation and completed project. The Report may also include project details such as the goals of the project, any future plans for the project, benefit of the project to the community, number of volunteers utilized, and timeframe for project installation. ***Pictures and information included in the Final Report become the property of the AF&GS and may be used to promote the Greening of Arkansas program.*** If pictures include people, we request that a photo release be obtained. The AF&GS can provide a photo release form if needed.

Greening of Arkansas Project
Record of Expenses

Plant Material			Other Project Expenses	
Item	Quantity	Cost \$	Item or Service	Cost \$
Plant Material Total			Other Project Expense Total	