

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality Reduce, Reuse, Reimagine: Materials Management Grants Program

**April 2024 Newsletter** 



Thank you for the excitement regarding the relaunch of our grants program! In this update, we are sharing information about the annual funding area, who can apply, our new online application platform and application timeline. Visit our website to <u>learn more</u>!

### **Annual Funding Area**

This year, DEQ is introducing an Annual Funding Area which will focus on a specific theme or topic. To be eligible, all project proposals must fit within the annual funding area. The annual funding area will change each year so if your project does not qualify this cycle, please check back again next year.

The 2024 annual funding area is: Waste Prevention.

Waste prevention is an environmentally centered approach to reduce the consumption of natural resources and generation of waste before something becomes trash or pollution. Waste prevention activities reduce waste by changing product design, by using less, by using something longer, or by repairing it.

Visit DEQ's website to learn more about Waste Prevention.

### Who Can Apply

The following entities are eligible to apply for the Reduce, Reuse, Reimagine Grants:

- Local Government
- Nonprofit (501(c)3 and 501(c)4), including fiscally sponsored organizations
- Tribal Nation
- Organization created through intergovernmental agreements
- Public School, Public University or Community College
- Small Business (50 employees or less)

### **Online Application: WebGrants**

DEQ will be accepting grant applications through an online system called WebGrants. You can create your WebGrants account here: <u>WebGrants Registration Page</u>. It may take 1-3 days before you receive an email with your username and password.

#### Translation or other formats



WebGrants works best on a laptop or desktop. You may encounter problems using a mobile phone or tablet. Visit our website for more <u>detailed information</u> and to learn more about how to create a WebGrants account.

## **Application Timeline**

The application period will open on May 21, 2024. For more details on the full timeline, visit our website.

### What's Next

We will continue to share updates through this email list and our website as more information becomes available. Look for more information about example projects, applicant handbook, and more in the coming weeks.

If you have any questions, please reach out to our grants team at: <u>RRRGrants@deq.oregon.gov</u>

For more notices like this, sign up for email updates about the grants program.

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