Environmental Science Education Grants

The Air & Waste Management Association (A&WMA) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of environmental professionals focused on air quality and waste management. In the Sacramento and northern California areas, the Mother Lode Chapter of A&WMA has approximately 40 institutional and individual members from legal services, industry, government, and consulting. Our goal is to foster an improved understanding of air pollution and waste management issues both among environmental professionals and in the public at large.

We are seeking applications for grant funding for our annual school grant program. The intent of this grant program is to provide monetary assistance to elementary, middle, and/or high schools in the Sacramento and surrounding areas for environmental science-related projects. Grant awards will be limited to projects with an air quality and/or waste management focus. Example projects that we may consider funding would include science fair awards, specialized field trips, on- or off-campus projects, air quality (including climate change) or waste management-related curricula, source reduction or recycling projects, etc. This list is not intended to be exhaustive, but can serve as a guide as to the types of projects that may be deemed suitable for grant funding. Note that grant applications will be assessed to confirm that the sophistication of the proposal matches the grade level of the students involved. The A&WMA staff members below are available to answer any questions you may have regarding the relevance of your proposed grant project to our criteria:

- Gwen Pelletier; PelletierGA@cdmsmith.com (916) 576-7517
- Pat Sullivan; psullivan@scsengineers.com (916) 361-1297

Applications will be accepted for grants in the range of $100 to $1,000. Within this package, you will find the following:

- Grant Application Cover Sheet. This sheet must accompany each grant application, and should be the first page of your submission.
- Grant Application Format. This sheet describes all of the information that must be included with your grant application.
- Grant Application Checklist. Use this checklist to make sure you have included all of the required information in your grant application packages.

Grant Applications for Awards will be accepted continuously, reviewed as they are received, and awarded based on merit.
I. Grant Application Cover Sheet ($100 to $1,000)

Name of School: 
______________________________________________________________________________

Street Address: 
______________________________________________________________________________
(Address where correspondence is to be sent)

City: _____________________________  State: _____________  Zip:  ___________________

Contact Person: __________________________________  Title: ________________________

E-mail address: 
______________________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number:  Day: ____________  Evening: _____________ Other: ________________

IRS exempt status (under which section): 
______________________________________________________________________________

Requested grant amount:  _________________

Brief summary of proposed grant project: (40 words or less) _________________________
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______________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________

Authorized signature: ___________________________________  Date:___________________

Printed name/title of signer(s): ____________________________________________________

For Office Use Only:  Proposal number:  ______________  Date: ____________________

Category: ___________________________________  Approved: _______  Declined: _______

Grant amount:________________________________________________________________

Grant conditions:_______________________________________________________________
II. Grant Application

Briefly describe on one or two pages the proposed project for which the grant is being requested, including the following:

A. **Project description and need** – What is the purpose and/or need of the proposed project?

B. **Project impact** – What is the impact of the proposed project toward air quality and/or waste management? Please give specific detail on the air quality or waste management attributes of the project. What knowledge are the students expected to gain from this project? How will this project benefit their overall learning experience?

C. **Organizational capacity** – Give an overview of the mission, vision and goals of your school, class, and/or school group and its capacity to complete the proposed project. How will the Air & Waste Management Association be recognized for the gift if a grant is awarded?

D. **Financial information** - What is the budget for the proposed project; including what other funds or in-kind support (if any) have been already secured for it? Will there be a need for any future financial support?

E. **Additional Information:**

To be reviewed for consideration, completed grant application forms must include the following:

1. An itemized budget for the proposed project;
2. A list of key individuals at the school responsible for leading this project and their roles.
3. Signature of the chief executive of the applicant organization.
4. Grant Application Checklist with signature.

**Successful Applications:**

Two completed grant application packages (one original plus one copy) must be mailed to the address below. All requested materials must be included if application is to be considered. Applications **can be emailed in electronic format to Gwen Pelletier at the email address below** as long as a complete application is received.

Send to:

Air & Waste Management Association  
Mother Lode Chapter  
c/o: Gwen Pelletier  
1755 Creekside Oaks Drive, Suite 200  
Sacramento, CA 95833

Telephone: 916-576-7517  
Fax: 916-564-4195  
Email: pelletierga@cdmsmith.com  
Website: www.awma-mlc.org
Please assemble your grant application in the following order. Please DO NOT staple the packet but use paperclips instead. This checklist is provided to help you include all necessary and supporting documentation required to award your grant and is the last page of the grant application.

_____  Grant Application Cover Sheet     1st page

_____  Grant Application                1 to 2 pages

_____  Cost Summary                    1 page

_____  Project Endorsements            as needed

_____  Supporting documents and information as needed

_____  Grant Application Checklist      last page

_____ Submitted an original and one additional copy of entire application or electronic submittal.

Date: __________ Signature: __________________________________________