



## CONSERVATION PROJECT MINI-GRANT APPLICATION

The Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District invites classes and youth groups to learn about soil and water conservation, by participating in outdoor learning projects on school grounds or in the community.

### Examples of conservation projects include:

- Developing a school garden with water conserving irrigation systems
- Building a compost pile and using the compost to improve the soil around a site
- Planting an area specifically to garden drought-tolerant or wildlife habitat plants
- Protecting a slope or eroding area with mulch or by planting ground-covers
- Planting and maintaining appropriate trees to shade buildings and play areas, while also providing habitat
- Creating a school ground habitat for urban-adapted wildlife, such as birds, butterflies and lizards, by providing a water source and native plants for food and shelter.
- Planting a school food garden and/or planting fruit trees supporting local urban agriculture
- Planting an area with natives to specifically cater to our pollinators (butterflies, bees and birds)

To request funds, please submit a completed application to the district, explaining the proposed project and expected costs. Applications are accepted throughout the year, and are reviewed and considered by the Board of Directors at their monthly meetings. The maximum amount that will be granted is \$250. Materials that may be funded include; irrigation systems, composters, soil amendments, mulches, seeds for erosion control and plants such as drought tolerant trees, shrubs, ground covers and wildlife plantings. **Please do not request classroom materials such as pots and greenhouses.**

Please involve the students as much as possible, as student participation in mapping, planning and/or conducting some part of the project is required for consideration of the grant. Mini-grant recipients will also need to submit a brief final report about the completed project with photos (digital or hard copy), with permission to use the photos in future District publications.

Our conservation district can assist you with plant recommendations and gardening information, please visit our website at [www.rcrcd.org](http://www.rcrcd.org) for more resources. To discuss ideas and request more information, please contact Kirstyn Kay at [Kay@rcrcd.org](mailto:Kay@rcrcd.org) or Erin Snyder at [Snyder@rcrcd.org](mailto:Snyder@rcrcd.org).



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Group that will be doing the Conservation Project (class and school, or youth group, etc.):

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Who should the check be made out to? (School, Teacher, PTA):

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Please describe the project, with expected outcome and include the educational component of this project \*:

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Location: Where will the project be done? (Please attach a copy of the plan layout):

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Please itemize materials and estimated costs\*:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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When is the best time to reach you?

Day phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Eve. phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Please attach additional pages as needed.**

**Please return application to:**  
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Riverside, CA 92501

**For more information:**  
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[snyder@rcrcd.org](mailto:snyder@rcrcd.org)  
Call: 951-683-7691