

Supporting local environmental and public health priorities

Cultivating Healthy Environments is a federally funded program that makes it easier for more community-based organizations to apply for federal funds to address environmental and public health issues. Grants are available for community-based organizations in EPA Region 4, which includes: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and six Tribal Nations.



Who is eligible to apply?



Community-based and **grassroots nonprofit organizations**; philanthropic and civic organizations with nonprofit status



Native American organizations, including groups, cooperatives, nonprofit corporations, partnerships, and associations that have the authority to enter into legally binding agreements; federally and state-

agreements; federally and staterecognized tribal governments, and intertribal consortia



Local governments (as defined by 2 CFR 200.1), including cities, towns, municipalities, counties, public housing authorities, and councils of government

Types of Funding Opportunities

Tier 3: Development and Tier 1: Assessment **Tier 2: Planning Non-Competitive Implementation** Additional, non-competitive • 1 year timeframe • 1-2 year timeframe · 2 year timeframe funding of \$75,000 will be • up to \$150,000 • up to \$250,000, for • up to \$350,000 for awarded to communityfor organizations organizations that organizations that have based nonprofit starting to assess the have assessed the assessed the issue(s), organizations with limited environmental issue(s) in environmental issue(s) made a plan, and are capacity to carry out in their community. their community and are ready to implement their federally funded projects. ready to make a plan to program. address the issue(s).

Engagement of Communities

We use a participatory approach to make sure that communities are involved in important decisions. Community Advisory Boards (CABs) help guide and oversee decisions about funding grants that focus on community concerns. CABs are made up of people from communities most impacted by environmental issues.

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How can I apply?

- The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) will tell you everything you need to know to apply.
- To access the application, the NOFO, and other support materials go to <u>region4.thrivingenvironments.org/apply</u>.
- Reach out to one of your regional EPA Environmental Justice
 Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers (TCTACs) if
 you think you may need technical assistance. These centers can
 provide free training and other services to help with navigating
 federal grant application systems. The two TCTACs for region 4 are
 react4ej.org and dscej.org/circ/.
- Send an email to <u>info@thrivingenvironments.org</u> or call or text (424) 855-0862.