

Where can I find out more?

Applications are available through the Bradford County Web Page or at the following locations:

- ⇒ <http://www.bradfordcountypa.org>
- ⇒ The Bradford County Courthouse
- ⇒ The Bradford County Conservation District
- ⇒ Penn State Cooperative Extension

For more information or to send applications, contact the Bradford County Conservation District

Stoll Natural Resource Center
200 Lake Rd. Suite E.
Towanda, PA 18848

Phone: (570) 265-5539
Extension 123
Fax: (570) 265-7435
Email: Daniel.Rhodes@pa.nacdnet.net

Need Money for

Environmental Education?

Apply for grants through the Bradford County Environmental Education Fund to provide the opportunity your community deserves to learn about the environment!

Who can apply?



Any school, business, organization or group may apply for the grant as long as the project's primary purpose is the education of Bradford County residents.

**Bradford County
Environmental
Education
Fund**



**Environmental
Education Grants**

Education Fund Background:

The Bradford County educational fund exists as a result of the drill cuttings that natural gas companies are required to dispose of by state law within an approved county landfill. In this case, the Northern Tier Solid Waste Authority is returning some of the “tipping fees” associated with this material to Bradford County. The County Commissioners have allocated 25% of these fees to directly support environmental education endeavors within the county.

Each year, groups, organizations and agencies will be offered an opportunity to apply for the funds for projects and/or programs. Based on criteria listed in this application, and available funding, successful applications will be notified. Total dollar amounts available for grants may fluctuate annually.

FUNDING CATEGORIES:

1. Mini grants up to \$500.00 each
2. Capitol grants up to \$5,000 each

ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS THAT MUST BE PART OF ALL APPLICATIONS

1) County relevance to education and stewardship. (what need does this project fill in Bradford County?)

2) Public access/openness to program/project (who is this activity available for and how will it be promoted?)

3) Cost sharing capability/matching of grant funds (may be labor, materials etc.)

Applications will also be judged using criteria designed to rank education fund programs/project proposals based on the quality of documentation for the following elements:

- ⇒ **Partnerships**
- ⇒ **Number of people served**
- ⇒ **Innovation**
- ⇒ **History of Success**
- ⇒ **Proof of operational/maintenance sustainability with capital improvements**

What sorts of items will the education fund cover/not cover?

Applicants are welcome to apply for funds to cover the following categories of expenses:

- Transportation
- Travel/mileage
- Speakers
- Large rental items
- Advertisements/promotional items
- Professional development opportunities
- Educational materials/equipment
- Displays
- Capital improvements

What sorts of items will education fund grants NOT cover?

- Food
- Salaries
- Consultants
- Legal fees

Submission Deadlines

The application deadline date for this year has been set for January 6, 2011. Education fund grants are designed to last for one year from the date of contractual agreement. Any grant recipient deemed unable to successfully complete their project/program will be ineligible to receive further grants.