



Outdoor Classroom Grants

The California Community Forests Foundation supports students and educators in projects that make a difference in helping children connect with the out-of-doors. Grants for a maximum of \$250 will be awarded to assist in the development of outdoor classrooms or school gardens.

Grants are available to teachers, other educators and community members, working in partnership, to develop an outdoor classroom to be used by children.

Criteria: Funded projects will:

- Have a direct benefit for student learning about the local environment.
- Demonstrate integration of STEAM (*Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math*) principles.
- Involve students in planning, implementation and use of the site.
- Include a plan for long-term sustainability.

Examples of project that qualify

- Development or enhancement of a school garden
- Development or enhancement of a native plant garden
- Planting trees, shrubs, vines or perennials to provide wildlife food or cover.
- Establishing water-saving devices on water sources.
- Installing bird feeders and feeding stations.
- Construction of nature trails.
- Building, bridges, benches and similar structures.
- Purchasing outdoor classroom supplies, such as weather stations

Examples of projects that do not qualify:

Purchase of classroom education supplies.

Funding staff, speakers or other assistants on the project

Application Deadline:

There is no deadline. Proposals will be reviewed and funded based on the merit of the application. If you have any questions about the type of project you are considering or how to complete the proposal forms, please contact Kay Antunez, grant coordinator at emailccff@gmail.com. We recommend you review this website: www.greenschoolyardsamerica.org for ideas.



Outdoor Classroom Grant Application

Note: Please use a different font or color to fill out this form

Title of Project _____

Date of Application _____

Grant Amount Requested (*not to exceed \$250*) _____

Project Leader's Name _____

Project Leader's Email _____

Phone Number _____

School/Organization _____

School/Organization Address _____

City/Town _____ Zip Code _____

School/Organization's Phone _____

Name _____ Title: _____

School Principal or President of Submitting Organization

6. How does this project involve students or young people? How will it benefit them? What role (s) have they taken in planning and how will they be involved in implementation?

7. Is there a connection between the project and the curriculum? What elements of “Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics” will be integrated?

8. How will the community be involved in the planning, implementation and/or maintenance of this project?

9. How will this project be maintained or sustained in the future?

10. Provide a time line for your project.