How to Fund Your Monitoring and Education Efforts

Water Monitoring and Education Summit
November 18, 2009
Alyse Greenberg
The Watershed Institute

What is the Watershed Institute?

- Purpose: to strengthen and connect citizen-based watershed organizations throughout New Jersey that are engaged in protecting precious water resources and natural lands.
- Projects:
 - Small grant program
 - Workshops
 - One-on-one assistance
 - Listserv
 - Publications
 - Website
 - Idea-sharing meetings



- Corporate
- Foundation
- Government
- Individual

Example Corporate Funders

- PSE&G
- Bristol-Myers Squibb
- Johnson & Johnson
- Banks
- Environmental Consulting Firms
- Garden Clubs
- Local Businesses

Major Types of Funding Support

- General Operating
- Capacity Building
- Project Support
- Sponsorship (corporate)
- Professional Services/In-kind (corporate/individual)
- Matching gifts (corporate/individual)

Resources for Identifying Funders

- Records of previous funders (and non-funders)
- Funding Information Center (libraries throughout NJ, NY, and PA)
- Online databases (Watershed Institute, GrantStation, Foundation Center)
- Council of New Jersey Grantmakers
- Other organizations (annual reports, websites)
- Business networking opportunities (e.g. Chamber of Commerce)
- Board member & volunteer contacts

Area of Interest: Environment & Animals

Air/Water Quality	Global Warming	
Animal Welfare	Land Protection	Watershed Protection
Biodiversity	Land Use Planning	Wetlands
Endangered Species	Marine Issues	Wilderness
Energy	Natural Resources	Wildlife Conservation
Environmental Education	Recycling	Zoos
Environmental Justice	Toxics/Wastes	Environment/Animals General
Forest Issues	Trails	META STATE

http://www.grantstation.com/

Type of support:

Advocacy	Equipment	Matching
Awards/Prizes	Fellowships	Product Donation
Building Funds	For-profit organizations	Project Planning
Capacity Building	General Support	Project/Program Support
Cause-Related Marketing	Grassroots	Research
Challenge Grants	Individuals	Residencies
Collaborations/Coalitions	Infrastructure	Scholarships
Computers/Software	In-kind	Seed Money
Conferences/Seminars/Workshops	Internships	Technical Assistance
Emergency Funds	Land/Property Acquisition	Training Programs
Endowment	Loans/PRIs	Travel Expenses

The Bunbury Company

2 Railroad Place; Hopewell, NJ 08525

Phone: 609-333-8800

Fax: 609-333-8900

Url: http://www.bunburycompany.org/

Geographic Scope: New Jersey

Geographic Focus:

Primarily Burlington, Camden, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, and Somerset counties with an emphasis on Mercer County

Type of Organization: Foundation

Total Annual Giving: \$996,000 **Grant Range:** \$1,000 - \$100,000

Average Grant: \$15,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations and public institutions

Application Deadlines:

November 5, 2009 and March 9, May 4, and August 12, 2010

- Areas of Interest: The Bunbury Company is a private grantmaking foundation that supports nonprofit organizations in central New Jersey. The Foundation considers applications primarily from the following counties: Burlington, Camden, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, and Somerset. Emphasis will be given to organizations located within Mercer County. The Foundation seeks to assist organizations working with programs in the following areas:
- educational programs that provide opportunities for intellectual, societal or cultural growth to youth and families;
- environmental programs that help conserve threatened farmland, habitat, or waterways, and regional planning efforts that help advance these goals;
- community building and social service programs that empower the underserved; and,
- cultural programs that promote local artistic initiatives.

Types of support include: special programs; general support; building funds; and, challenge and matching grants.

The Foundation does not provide support to/for: endowment campaigns; sporting activities, outings, or events; fraternal or religious organizations, including schools with religious affiliation; individual fellowships or scholarships; summer camps or day care facilities, unless part of a comprehensive after-care program; organizations with multiple chapters, if outside Mercer County; specific cultural performances; or publications or surveys.

Application Procedures:

Application guidelines are available on the Foundation's website listed above.

Last Updated: 9/1/2009

Foundation Center



Knowledge to build on.

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Foundation Finder

Expanded and improved!

Foundation Finder has been redesigned to allow you to:

- Search by grantmaker name—including former, partial, and
- · Search by geography to identify grantmakers in a given city code
- Search by EIN number

With basic information on grantmakers in the U.S.—including privat community foundations, grantmaking public charities, and corporate programs—Foundation Finder is even more comprehensive than ev

Tips for Using Foundation Finder

Name Environmental Endowment for New Jersey City State ZIP **EIN** Clear

Foundation Center

Environmental Endowment for New Jersey, Inc.

Address and Contact Information

P.O. Box 3446, Trenton, NJ 08619-0446

Telephone: (609) 584-1593

Contact: Joan Burkholtz, Secy.

Additional info: FAX: (609) 584-5341

E-mail: info@eenj.org
URL: www.eenj.org/

Type of Grantmaker: Independent foundation

IRS Exemption Status: 501(c)(3)

Financial Data: (yr. ended 04/30/2008)

Total Assets: \$5,734,303 Total Giving: \$223,888

EIN: 223107878

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FORM 990-PF

GRANT APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION PART XV, LINES 2A THROUGH 2D

STATEMENT 14

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON TO WHOM APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED

JOAN BURKHOLTZ, OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR PO BOX 3446 HAMILTON, NJ 08619-0446

FORM AND CONTENT OF APPLICATIONS

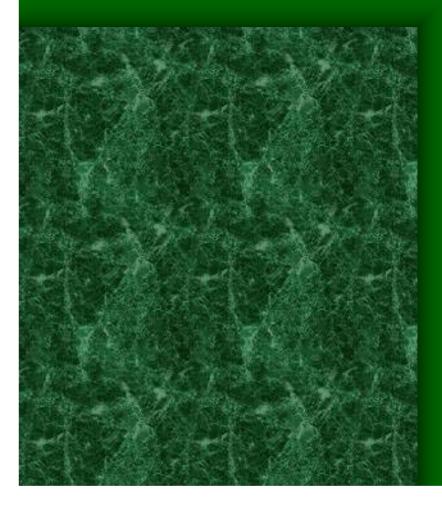
INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD SUBMIT A BRIEF (2 PAGE) DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT AND ITS BUDGET; AN EXPANDED APPLICATION MAY THEREAFTER BE REQUESTED.

ANY SUBMISSION DEADLINES

BRIEF DESCRIPTION - DECEMBER 15 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE REQUESTED

RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITATIONS ON AWARDS

RESEARCH, LITIGATION, AND PUBLIC EDUCATION THAT WILL PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION, PRESERVATION, AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT IN GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED IN THE GRANTS RECEIVED.



Environmental Endowment for New Jersey Form 990-PF, Part XV, Supplementary Information 22-3107878

F	Recipient Name and Address	If Individual, Relationship	Foundation Status	Purpose of Grant	Amount
1	American Littoral Society 18 Hartshorne Dr Suite 1 Highlands, NJ 07732	N/A		Protecting the land to protect the Bay	10,000
2	Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions P O Box 157 Mendham, NJ 07945	N/A	Non-Profit	Local Action To Protect State Water	12,000
3	Camden Greenways Inc	N/A	Non-Profit	Camden Greenway Trail Project	12,000

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Sample Profile Form



The Foundation Center's Prospect Worksheet—Institutional Funders

PROSPECT WORKSHEET					
Date:					
Basic Information					
Name					
Address					
Contact Person					
Financial Data					
Total Assets					
Total Grants Paid					
Grant Ranges/Amount Needed					
Period of Funding/Project					
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Subject Focus	1.		1.		
(list in order of importance)					
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Geographic Limits					
Type(s) of Support					
Population(s) Served					
Type(s) of Recipients					
People (Officers, Donors, Trustees, Staff)					
Application Information					
Does the funder have printed					
guidelines/application forms?					
Initial Approach (letter of					
inquiry, formal proposal)					
Deadline(s)					
Board Meeting Date(s)					
Sources of Above Information					
☐ 990-PF Year:		Requested	Received		
Annual Report Year:		Requested	Received		
☐ Directories/grant indexes					
☐ Grantmaker Web site					
Notes:					
Follow-up:					

Choose Your Next Funder

- Pick a monitoring or education project your organization is working on or planning for the future
- Review the funder profiles with the project in mind
- Select the funder that is the best fit



Building Relationships

- Review funder website to determine their preferred method of contact.
- Know one of their grantees? Reach out to them too- they can let you know if the funder is good to work with and if they think the funder would be receptive to a call.
- If you know one of their board members, call them up to find out more about the funder's priorities.
- If the funder takes calls, call them up- let them know you are considering applying and would like to tell them a little about your organization and receive their feedback.
- Ask the funder if they'd like you to send them your newsletter and invite them to join your mailing/email list.
- Invite the funder to an event or for a tour of your watershed.

Applying for Grants

- Follow directions carefully. Don't get disqualified before you even have a foot in the door!
- Do not wait until the last minute.
- Proofread! Have your board proofread. Ask your parents, spouse, children, neighbors to proofread.
- No jargon/shop talk!
- Contact the funder with any questions (unless they specify that they do not take calls).
- Ask the funder for feedback after they make decisions- whether they funded you or not, they will have some valuable tips for future proposals.

Tracking Information

- How to track
 - Database
 - Spreadsheet
 - Hard copy file
- What to track for all funders
 - Who you applied to and when
 - What you applied for and how much
 - Status (funded, pending review, rejected)
 - Next steps (thank you notes, report due dates, next application deadline, conversation with funder for input, etc.).

Tracking Information

- What to track for approved grants
 - All of the above, plus:
 - Letter of Inquiry and/or Proposal
 - Correspondence to/from funder
 - Financial information (contracts, invoices, financial reports, timesheets, in-kind services)
 - Project reports
 - Project products (including press hits)

Tips for Monitoring

- Look into companies who provide monitoring equipment/supplies. They may be willing to sponsor monitoring programs, donate products or provide discounts.
- Consider environmental consultants who may sponsor monitoring programs or provide in-kind services or discounts.
- Companies or universities with labs may be able to assist with chemical/waste disposal.

Tips for Education

- Don't rule out funders who provide grants to schools. A school could apply for funds to have you work with them.
- Gain ideas through networks such as Alliance for New Jersey Environmental Education, North American Association for Environmental Education, NJ State Environmental Education Directory, etc.
- Search for funders for general education as well. They may be open to funding environmental education programs.

Resources

- Council of New Jersey Grantmakers: http://www.cnjg.org/
- Foundation Center: http://foundationcenter.org/
- GrantStation: http://www.grantstation.com/
- Funding Information Center/Cooperating Collections:
 - http://foundationcenter.org/collections/
- Directory of Watershed Resources: http://efc.boisestate.edu/watershed/index.asp
- The Watershed Institute: http://www.thewatershedinstitute.org/

Questions?

Thank you!

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