

## Gro More Grassroots Grants: Deadline Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>

The 2019 Gro More Grassroots Grant presented by The Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation and KidsGardening is designed to bring the life-enhancing benefits of gardens to communities across the United States. Awards provide funding for the development of new and expansion of existing youth garden programs and greenspaces. Winners will be selected based on their commitment to the maintenance and sustainability of their garden program including plans for growth and future fiscal stability.

In 2019, The Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation and KidsGardening will award 175 grants worth a collective total of \$100,000. 150 grant recipients will be awarded a check for \$500 to support their initiatives. The top 25 programs will receive a check for \$1,000.

The Gro More Grassroots Grant is open to all nonprofit and tax exempt organizations (including schools) in the United States and US Territories planning to use the funds to install new or expand existing youth focused gardens or greenspaces. Applications must be submitted by Friday, **February 15, 2019 at 11:59 PST.**



### ***WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY***

The 2019 Gro More Grassroots Grant is open to all nonprofit organizations in the United States planning to use the funds to install new or expand existing gardens or greenspaces. Organizations must have obtained their 501(c)(3) status or qualify as tax-exempt within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Service code. Examples of tax exempt organizations that may not have a 501(C)(3) status include, school districts, universities and government entities. If you fall into this second category, please provide your EIN number on the application.

If your organization has not achieved 501(c)(3) or tax exempt status, you may apply for a Gro More Grassroots Grant by partnering with a fiscal sponsor who has achieved this status.

### ***GRANT PACKAGES***

In 2019, a total of 175 programs will be awarded. 150 organizations will receive a check for \$500. The top 25 winners will be awarded a check for \$1,000.

### ***SUBMISSION PROCESS***

The [grant application](#) is now available! You can also download the [grant application questions](#) ahead of time in order to prepare your answers.

**Due Date:** Applications must be submitted by Friday, **February 15, 2019 at 11:59 PST.** Winners will be announced March 20, 2019. (The first day of spring!)

### **REPORTING REQUIREMENT**

Grant awardees are required to report on their program's progress by April 1, 2020. Winners will be provided with a link to an online survey form to complete. If you do not feel that you will be able to comply with these reporting requirements, please do not apply.

Reporting requirements include:

- 5-10 digital images of the garden or green space
- Parental release forms to accompany images of children
- Completion of an online survey
- A narrative about the impact of the garden program

For more information go to <https://kidsgardening.org/2019-gromore-grassroots-grant/>