

## St. Mary's Garden Club Environmental Education Grants

### Notice of Grant Availability

#### Objective:

St. Mary's Garden Club (SMGC) was founded in 1930 in Falmouth, Maine with the objective of educating and promoting environmental stewardship and cultivating a spirit of environmental citizenship.

To support our mission the SMGC Scholarship Fund annually awards grants ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 for special programs that promote horticulture, gardening, and environmental awareness. The funding is open to educators from Cumberland County public schools for environmental projects targeting middle and high school students.

Additional grant information can be found on the SMGC website:

[www.stmarysgardenclub.com](http://www.stmarysgardenclub.com). Please direct all questions and submissions to the SMGC email address ([stmarysgardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysgardenclub@gmail.com)) with the Subject Heading "Grant/[name of your school]".

#### Funding Timeline:

- August/September: Notice of funding availability will be posted on the SMGC website. Public middle and high school educators in Cumberland County, Maine, will also be informed of funding availability.
- October 1: SMGC will begin accepting applications for funding via [stmarysgardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysgardenclub@gmail.com)
- November 15: Deadline for submitting applications
- December 15: Project winners will be notified and funded. Grant recipients will be posted on the SMGC website.
- March: Each grant recipient will contact the SMGC Scholarship Committee with a project update.
- Second Monday in May: Each grant recipient will plan a 15 minute presentation of their project for SMGC members at their monthly meeting, sometime between 10 am and 11:30 am.

**Please complete the form below and attach your four supporting narrative summaries on a second, one page document. Send both as PDFs to stmarysgardenclub@gmail.com with the subject heading "Grant/[name of your school]".**

Project Title and/or Equipment Request \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Number of students participating \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Lead Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Provide clear narrative responses for each of the following items.**

1. Clearly describe the project or piece of equipment supporting the project, its purpose and educational goals. State how the project supports the objectives of SMGC.
2. Provide an organizational outline of the steps required to initiate the project and bring it to completion including periodic updates and informational meetings with stakeholders such as parents, administration, and the public.
3. Provide a rubric to demonstrate how you will determine the success of the project.
4. Provide a timeline and itemized budget needed to support the project.