

REAL ACTION GRANTS 2019

WHAT IS IT

The Rideau Environmental Action League (REAL) Action Grant awards up to \$500 to selected groups. The goal of the grant is to encourage local community groups to start or continue a project that will benefit the local environment.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Eligible groups include schools, libraries, churches, community centres, daycare centres, youth clubs or groups, community organizations or neighbourhood associations within the counties of Lanark, Leeds and Grenville and the Town of Smiths Falls.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, please submit the application to info@realaction.ca by March 18th, 2019 or complete the online form here: <https://goo.gl/forms/qucEXHzb9ZFTwIM52>.

APPLICATION CRITERIA

Applications must include the following:

- Group Name
- Contact Person (full name, email, physical address, phone number)
- Working Name for Your Project
- A Project Proposal (about 500 words)

**** Please Note: One project member must be 18 years or older**

PROJECT PROPOSAL CRITERIA

Ideal project proposals will:

- Address an environmental issue
- Address who will benefit from the completed project and how
- Explain the importance of the project to the group
- Include a budget explaining how the funds will be used
- Explain how your group will contribute to the project (i.e. volunteer hours, gifts in kind, etc.,)
- Provide a project timeline

**** Please Note: Preference will be given to groups that benefit those locally.**

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

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| January 7, 2019 | Applications Open |
| March 18, 2019 | Applications Due |
| March 29, 2019 | Winners publicly announced |
| August 31, 2019 | Projects must be completed |
| September 30, 2019 | Project reports due |

WHAT'S NEXT?

Please note that only successful applicants will be contacted. Thank you for your interest in the REAL Action Grants!

LOOKING FOR MORE IDEAS or INFORMATION?

The following are suggested projects only.

- Reduce energy use, water use or solid waste
- Install a bike rack
- Plant trees in a community space
- Develop a community garden
- Build a rainwater garden
- Improve a vacant lot
- Install garbage or recycling receptacles
- Purchase resource materials: films, books, magazines for a library
- Put on a workshop
- Show an environmental film.

Visit <http://www.realaction.ca> for examples of past, successful applications or additional information.