

2023 Funding Opportunities for Schoolyard Outdoor Education

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Funding Schoolyard Projects:

Overview of FWS Schoolyard Habitat Program, Goals, Planning, Assistance, Funding



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Who We Are:

- Wildlife Educators
- Grant Specialists
- Policy Specialist
- Wildlife Program Developers
- Habitat Specialists



What We Organized:

- Grant Opportunities
- Consulting Advice
- Educational Experiences/Lessons
- Webinars
- Outdoor and Habitat Improvement Projects



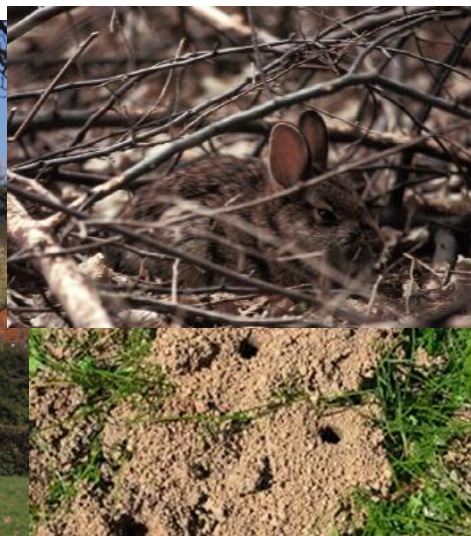
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Assist Schools:

- Initiate
- Create
- Incorporate



WHAT CAN BE DONE...

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Community Gardens: old site



Garden outlined, grass killed and plants spaced



Digging in plants



Community Gardens: newly planted





The garden should provide a diversity of plants that bloom throughout the season, with rocks, logs, and grasses for nesting sites.







Outdoor Grant Opportunities:

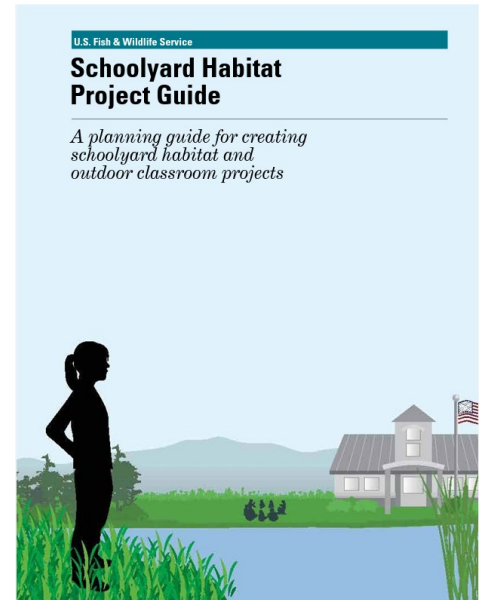
1. Garden Grants for Schools and Communities - lists many grant programs across the country: <https://growingspaces.com/gardening-grants/>
2. NH Environmental Educators - NHEE'd Grants - Grant money to get kids outside - travel costs: <https://nhee.org/news/now-accepting-nheed-to-get-outside-grant-applications-to-fund-more-2022-outdoor-learning>
3. Some outdoor structure companies (like <https://weatherport.com/grants-for-outdoor-classrooms/>) have grant programs.
4. Pollinator grant program. <https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/pollinator-pals-22/>
5. Other school subjects and organizations: <http://www.gsnh.org/classroom-grant.html>



<https://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/education/grants.html>



<https://www.nh.audubon.org/education/educational-resources/>



<https://www.fws.gov/media/schoolyard-habitat-project-guide>





Highlight Points

- Create a plan and a budget
- Be realistic
- Use proper terms and definitions
- Local Family foundations
- Donor advised funds – call to get involved
- [NH Center for Nonprofits \(nhnonprofits.org\)](http://nhnonprofits.org)
- [Wellborn Ecology Fund - NH Charitable Foundation \(nhcf.org\)](http://nhcf.org)

