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2021-21 Solid Waste grant opportunities

The CAPCOG Solid Waste Grant Program is estimated to provide \$224,000 in pass-through funding to communities in its 10-county region for the 2020 and 2021 fiscal years. Grant funds will be assigned for each fiscal year during one RFA. Grant funds are available to local governments, public schools and school districts, and general and special law districts created in accordance with state law, and with the authority and responsibility for water quality protection or municipal solid waste management. Funds may be used for projects under seven categories:

- Household hazardous waste management
- Local environmental law enforcement
- Litter and illegal dumping clean-up and community collection events
- Source reduction and recycling
- Citizens' collection stations
- Educational and training programs
- Other eligible solid waste management projects, including scrap tires projects

For more details, read the Request for Applications.

The following documents are associated with this RFA and applicants should review these documents prior to applying for a grant:

- **Application Forms 1-6**
- **Application Form 7, Reimbursement Form Template, Attachment 6, sample resolution (.zip)**
- **TCEQ solid waste grant contract 582-20-10206 with CAPCOG, which includes a number of provisions that will pass through to any grant recipients**
- **TCEQ administrative procedures document for FY 2020-2021 solid waste grants**
- **SWAC Scoring Guidance**
- **SWAC Scoring Sheet**
- **CAPCOG Staff Application Screening Sheet**
- **FY 2020-21 Site Visit Form**

Solid Waste Grant Timeline & Updates

Below is a list of key processes needed to apply for the grant.
Get a full grant timeline.

Grant Workshops – Nov. 19, Dec. 3, 2019 both a.m. and p.m. workshops available

CAPCOG offers four solid waste grant application-writing workshops at its offices which will take place in November and December. While the workshops are not required, they were recommended for those who are interested in applying for a grant. These workshops cover topics including:

- Grant eligibility
- Grant selection process
- Completing the application
- Funding categories
- Funding standards and project reporting

Get the 9 a.m. Nov. 19 workshop details and register to attend.

Get the 1 p.m. Nov. 19 workshop details and register to attend.

Get the 9 a.m. Dec. 3 workshop details and register to attend.

Get the 1 p.m. Dec. 3 workshop details and register to attend.

RFA Questions and Answers – Dec. 15, 2019

CAPCOG offers individual assistance to any applicants who attend the above workshops, including a preliminary review of an application to ensure that it will pass all screening criteria, as long as such requests are received prior to Dec. 15, 2019. Questions about this RFA, should be submitted to the Regional Service administrative assistant. Throughout the RFA process, CAPCOG assembles questions and provides a Q&A document. CAPCOG expects to provide an updated Q&A each week through January 2, 2020. Check back weekly for an updated Q&A document.

Read last year's Q&A.

Application Deadline – 5 p.m., January 2, 2020

Applications can be submitted electronically to Ken May or mailed or hand delivered to the following address before the application deadline:

CAPCOG SW Program
ATTN: Ken May
6800 Burleson Road, Bldg 310, Suite 165
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Processes Private Industry Review – Jan. 10, 2020

In accordance with TCEQ's Administrative Procedures, CAPCOG will notify private industry solid waste service providers in writing at least seven days before the SWAC meets to score and rank applications. Applicants will be notified of any objections and have an opportunity to resolve any issues before the SWAC scoring meeting.

Read the Private Industry Appeals Process.

Private industry objections to any applications must be received in writing no later than **5 p.m., Thursday, Jan, 16, 2020**, in accordance with TCEQ's Administrative Procedures.

CAPCOG received nine grant applications from the following jurisdictions. The applications are posted here for review and possible appeal.

- **Bastrop County**
- **Blanco County**
- **Burnet County**
- **Caldwell County**
- **Granite Shoals**
- **Lockhart**
- **Fayette County**
- **Hays County**
- **Llano County**

Appeals can be submitted electronically to Ken May or mailed or hand delivered to:

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SWAC Scoring Meeting – Jan. 23, 2020

Applicants will be provided an opportunity to do a 5-minute presentation on their application to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. Following each presentation, the SWAC may ask questions about each application. Each SWAC member will then score each application. The meeting details are:

9 a.m.-noon, Thursday, Jan. 23, 2020
CAPCOG Pecan Room
6800 Burleson Road, Building 310, Suite 165
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While attendance is not required, CAPCOG encourages applicants to take advantage of the opportunity.