



NATIONAL FFA
LIVING TO SERVE

Yearlong Living to Serve Grant

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

The National FFA Organization is pleased to announce the availability of grant funds for FFA chapters to impact their community through service and service-learning. Yearlong grant funding will support diverse service-learning projects within the focus areas of community safety; environmental responsibility; hunger, health and nutrition; and community engagement. Eligible service-learning projects must run the entire school year.

Goal of Grant:

The goal of the grant is to support FFA chapters across the country in conducting meaningful, yearlong service-learning projects that make a difference in their community. Service-learning is a method of teaching and learning that challenges students to investigate, plan, and implement solutions to identified needs in their school or community. For more information on service-learning versus community service please visit www.ffa.org/livingtoserve/types-of-service.

Who can Apply:

Any active middle or high school FFA chapter is eligible to apply. Active chapters are those in good standing at the state and national level in regards to membership dues and reporting.

Application Timeline:

Application Open	Application Due	Award Notification	Grant Cycle
May 1, 2017	June 15, 2017	August 1, 2017	August 1, 2017 - June 15, 2018* OR August 30, 2018

*The grant cycle runs from August 1, 2017 to August 30, 2018. Chapters with projects that end in June 2018 will have an end date of June 15, 2018 while chapters with projects that will have impacts over the summer end their cycle on August 30, 2018.

Reporting Expectations

Chapters are expected to complete a Mid-Year Update by January 31, 2018 and a Close-Out Report by June 29, 2018 for chapters not continuing projects through summer months, and August 30, 2018 for chapters with active projects through summer months.

Funding Guidelines:

Chapters may apply for up to \$3,000 to support a yearlong service-learning project.

Allowable Expenses*	Non-Allowable Expenses*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substitute teacher pay • Transportation to and from service sites • Copying and marketing costs • Educational outreach materials • Portable storage • Vegetation • Small equipment purchases • Other expendable materials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any one item over the cost of \$1,500 • Stipends or scholarships to students or the chapter • Indirect Costs (cost of administering the grant funds) • Acquisition or construction of buildings or facilities • Travel to or from national convention or other state or national FFA trainings • Giveaways- Ex. T-shirts, food, small manipulatives, etc.

*Not an exhaustive list