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Greener Nebraska Towns landscape funding is available to communities. Application deadline is **Dec. 31, 2017**.

The Nebraska Statewide Arboretum is accepting applications to improve community landscapes throughout the state. Funding is provided by the Nebraska Environmental Trust, a beneficiary of the Nebraska Lottery.

The “Greener Nebraska Towns” cost-share program aims at collaborative efforts by communities, individuals and organizations for healthier, more beautiful and more sustainable public landscapes. The projects will use native and waterwise plants to better manage resources like water, soil, habitat, energy and waste. Besides showcasing sustainable plants and practices, partners will also implement educational and awareness activities within their communities. Focus areas include:

1. Sustainable Schoolyards
2. Trees for Nebraska Towns
3. Waterwise Landscapes
4. Habitat for Pollinators

Who Should Apply? Communities and community groups (homeowners associations, municipalities, non-profit organizations, civic institutions).

What Projects are Eligible? Landscape enhancements on publicly-accessible property (parks, schools, fairgrounds, courthouses, college campuses, streets, transportation corridors).

How Much Funding is Available? Up to \$10,000 for project expenses. Participants must contribute funding in the form of cash and in-kind (donated materials or labor) to cover at least half the total cost of their project.

What is the Timeline? Projects must be completed by December 31, 2017.

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