



2017 MARKET DEVELOPMENT GRANT

The Market Development Grant program offers grant funds to Ohio businesses that propose to create the infrastructure necessary for successful markets of recyclable materials and related products. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Agency) is seeking proposals involving one or more of the following materials collected or processed in Ohio:

- aluminum
- construction and demolition debris
- electronics
- glass
- organic material (i.e. food waste)
- old corrugated cardboard
- paint
- paper
- plastic (#1 - #7)
- shingles
- wood waste

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Private sector businesses and non-profit organizations who are located and registered to conduct business in Ohio may seek market development funding. However, businesses and non-profit organizations applying for funds must secure a public sponsor to serve as the grant applicant. Those eligible to serve as sponsors include an agency of the state, as established by the Ohio Revised Code (ie. municipal corporation, county, township, village, state college or university and solid waste management district or authority). A state agency or department may also serve as a sponsor. The sponsor may submit multiple applications.

FUNDING CRITERIA

These competitive grants will be awarded based on the following:

- Demonstration of positive economic and environmental impact regionally or statewide
- Assurances that the project will accomplish stated goals and is transferable
- Potential for evolution into a permanent service or program without future Agency funding
- Past grant performance (project implementation, expenditures and submission of reports)
- Consistency with the strategic goals of the local and state solid waste management plans
- Qualifies as an eligible project and includes one or more targeted materials
- Financial need of the applicant
- Availability of grant funds
- Submission of required forms and comprehensive responses to all applicable questions
- No outstanding financial or compliance issues

MARKET DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROJECTS

GRANT REQUEST (Up To)

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| • Construction & Demolition Debris Recycling | \$ 250,000 |
| • Glass Recycling | \$ 250,000 |
| • Manufacturing & Processing | \$ 250,000 |
| • Material Recovery Facility (MRF) Recycling (Private) | \$ 250,000 |
| • Organics Recycling | \$ 250,000 |

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Applicants must demonstrate that the applicant or cooperating enterprise will commit a minimum of **one hundred percent (100%)** matching funds, equal to the amount requested in grant funds. The match must be a cash contribution, documented line of credit secured from an accredited lending institution, loan from the banking industry or government agency which is dedicated to this project. The maximum grant period for the Market Development program is 24 months. Applicants sponsoring businesses or non-profit organizations must enter into a contract with that entity to implement the grant-approved activity. A grant funding line is required for all projects and an acknowledgement of funding source.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Subject to cash availability, grantees will receive an advance grant payment, while the remaining grant balance will be held in reserve to reconcile the grant at closeout.

IMPORTANT DATES

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| • Oct. 1, 2016 - Application Package posted at www.recycleohio.gov | • Feb. 3, 2017 - Applications due |
| • Oct. 26, 2016 – Informational Meeting | • April 2017 - Awards announced |
| • Nov. 16, 2016 – Webinar | • July 2017 - Funding available |

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