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Division of Waste Management announces \$4,000 grants available from the Waste Tire Trust Fund

Kentucky counties urged to apply for funds

FRANKFORT, KY. (May 1, 2026) –Kentucky counties can now apply for \$4,000 in waste tire recycling and removal grants from money that is available through the Energy and Environment Cabinet’s Division of Waste Management (DWM) Waste Tire Trust Fund.

“Eligible expenses under this grant are the actual costs that the county incurs during the grant period for recycling or disposal of waste tires,” said Derek Polly, manager of DWM’s Recycling and Local Assistance Branch. “Other expenses, such as labor and equipment costs, are not eligible.”

The grant period is **July 1st, 2026** through **June 30th, 2027**. Costs incurred by a county beginning **July 1st, 2026** for recycling or disposal of waste tires are eligible. Counties must submit receipts for those costs with their close-out report form by **July 15th, 2027**.

Waste tire Grant applications must be submitted no later than **June 7th, 2026**. These grants do not require a match. Any unused funds must be returned to the Cabinet by **July 31st, 2027**.

The grant packets will be sent via email to county judge-executives and solid waste coordinators; They can also be found at the following link: [Waste Tires Webpage](#)

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