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Dear Mayor:

Now is the time to apply for 2024 Litter Abatement Grant funding. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with information about the Litter Abatement Grant program, including highlighting some important changes, and to provide you with a copy of the grant agreement and related forms. For this grant cycle:

- The signed “City Request and Agreement for Litter Abatement Program Grant Funding,” attached, **must be received in this office by 4:30 p.m. on November 1, 2023**, pursuant to KRS 224.43-505. Litter abatement grant agreements received after that date will not be accepted. **NOTE: This incorporated form (DEP 7118) is the required form to be used to apply for the 2024 Litter Abatement Grant.**
- **The amount of grant funding each city is eligible to receive will not be determined until after November 1, 2023.** Once all applications are received, the amount of funding available will be calculated in accordance with statutory requirements.
- The litter abatement grant funding is to be used for direct expenses, as defined in 401 KAR 49:080 Section 3, incurred during *calendar year* 2024, associated with anti-litter control programs; for litter cleanup on public roads as provided in KRS 224.43-505; and to meet the requirements established in KRS 224.43-345.
- By February 1, 2025, the city shall submit to the Kentucky Division of Waste Management a completed “**City Litter Abatement Program Annual Report and Certification for Grant Funding**” signed by the Mayor. This form should be sent to Lisa Evans at the email address shown below. ***This form is attached and is also available on our website at <https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Waste/recycling-and-local-assistance> and will be sent out to the cities in December through the Kentucky League of Cities.*** **NOTE: This incorporated form (DWM 4900) is the required form to be used to report expenditures for the 2024 Litter Abatement Grant.**
- Litter abatement grant funds not spent during calendar year 2024 must be reimbursed to the cabinet by April 15, 2025.
- Per 401 KAR 49:080, Section 6, any city failing to comply with the terms of the litter abatement grant agreement shall be ineligible for litter abatement grant funding for the following year.

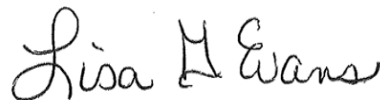
- Per 401 KAR 49:080, Section 3(2)(b), “Litter abatement grant program recipients shall keep documentation related to grant activities, including grant expenditure documentation, for at least three (3) years”
- If the city wishes to decline litter abatement grant funding for 2024, please check the box at the bottom of the “City Request and Agreement for Litter Abatement Program Grant Funding” and forward to Lisa Evans
- **Please submit a copy of the city’s solid waste ordinance or solid waste contract to demonstrate compliance with eligibility requirements along with the agreement.** Email an electronic copy to Lisa Evans at lisa.evans@ky.gov.
- There is no match requirement for this grant.
- **Provided with this litter packet is a copy of the guidelines in place by the Division in the event that the city plans to use the Litter Abatement Grant for a “Trash for Cash” program. The guidelines are a part of the litter grant packet and the city agrees to the guidelines once the city signs the City Request and Agreement for Litter Abatement Program Grant Funding form and submits to the Division.**

Note that all litter abatement grant forms are incorporated by reference and therefore, are the required forms to be used for applying for the 2024 Litter Abatement Grant.

The disbursement of the litter abatement grant funding will be approximately January 1, 2024. Please provide the city’s address as registered with the Kentucky Finance Cabinet and the city’s Federal ID information on the Litter Abatement Grant Funding agreement. **Submit the signed form and a copy of your ordinance or contract by 4:30 p.m., on November 1, 2023 via email to lisa.evans@ky.gov.**

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at lisa.evans@ky.gov.

Sincerely,



Lisa Evans, Grant Administrator
Recycling & Local Assistance Branch

Attachments: DEP 7118 City Request and Agreement for Litter Abatement Program Grant Funding
Guidelines for Trash For Cash Programs when Using State Litter Abatement Grant
City Litter Abatement Program Annual Report and Certification for Grant Funding
Frequently Asked Questions for Anti-Litter Control Program Grants
FEMA Rates