# ****Division of Waste Management Accepting Grant Applications for Crumb Rubber and Recycled Tire Projects****

***Application deadline is April 1, 2024***

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Jan. 25, 2023)** - The Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet is accepting grant proposals for projects that promote the use of recycled Kentucky waste tires.

The cabinet will provide grant funding for landscaping mulch projects, walking trails, poured-in-place playgrounds, sidewalks or other surfaces, horse trailer or stall mats, tree wells or other products utilizing recycled Kentucky tires.

Projects that are not eligible for grants include athletic field or loose crumb-rubber playground applications, tire-derived aggregate, tire-derived fuel, rubber-modified asphalt or civil engineering projects.

“This grant program promotes innovative uses for recycled tires,” said Energy and Environment Cabinet Secretary Rebecca Goodman. “As a result, we’re able to help grow tire recycling markets across the state, encourage proper management of waste tires, and minimize illegal dumps.”

Grant funding comes from the Waste Tire Trust Fund, established in 1998 by the Kentucky General Assembly to receive fees collected from new tire sales. The applicant will provide match funding equal to at least 25 percent of the project cost.

Applications must be received by 4:30 p.m. on April 1, 2024, via email to lisa.evans@ky.gov. The submittal of the application and any supporting documentation is required for the application to be considered for funding.

For more information, contact Lisa Evans at 502-782-6355 (office), 502-330-6829 (cell) or lisa.evans@ky.gov. Additional information and the grant application are online at the division’s [website.](https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Waste/recycling-and-local-assistance/Pages/default.aspx)

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