

NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (NOFO)
Open period: June 6, 2024 – June 23, 2024

The Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF) in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service (USFS) announces the Urban and Community Forestry (U&CF) Grant Program. The program is designed to encourage projects that plant trees and increase the benefits of tree canopy, create and support long-term and sustained urban and community forestry programs, and promote the care of trees in communities throughout Nevada. Urban and Community Forestry is a cooperative program that is designed to encourage projects that promote tree planting, the care of trees, the protection and enhancement of urban and community forest ecosystems.

The Nevada Division of Forestry invites grant proposals that address the goals of the Urban and Community Forestry Program:

1. Develop and maintain strong partnerships with key stakeholders that can contribute to urban and community forest planning including design, establishment, and maintenance
2. Promote the role of urban and community forestry in human health and wellness, local economies, ecosystem services, and urban livability
3. Improve urban and community forest management, maintenance, and stewardship
4. Diversify, leverage, and increase funding for Urban and Community Forestry activities
5. Increase public awareness and environmental education to promote urban and community forest stewardship
6. Cultivate diversity, equity, and leadership in the urban forest management community

Detailed grant guidelines can be found here: <https://forestry.nv.gov/grants>

The funding source for this grant is awarded to Nevada through the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) administered by the US Forest Service. The IRA funds are available exclusively for programs or projects serving disadvantaged communities. There is no match requirement for projects working exclusively in disadvantaged communities. Disadvantaged communities are identified by meeting at least one of the following criteria:

- All projects or programs must occur in or benefit disadvantaged communities within geographies identified in the [Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool \(CEJST\)](#). More information about this tool, and a map showing the designated disadvantaged areas can be viewed at the following link: <https://screeningtool.geoplatform.gov>
- Programs must be working in or with students from a Title 1 school

*The current request for proposal and grant guidelines covers **one** grant opportunity. Please read all guidelines and select the grant option that is best suited for you.*

Application due date: June 23, 2024, 11:59 pm PST

Award notification: January 25, 2024
Application method: Portal (<https://forestry.nv.gov/grants>),

Inflation Reduction Act Community Grant Program (1 option)

Total program funding: \$115,000
Communities served: Disadvantaged communities **EXCLUSIVELY**
Cost / in-kind match required: None

(1) Planting and Education Grants

Funding request range: \$1,000 - \$10,000
Project Timeframe: Up to 1 year
Grant delivery method: Subgrant award from NDF to entity or NDF direct purchase of materials

Eligible entities: State agencies, counties, communities, educational institutions, tribal governments, non-profit 501(c)(3) groups, neighborhood associations, civic and religious groups.

Eligible activities, limited to the following: Trees, planting supplies (soil amendments, mulch, tree protection), irrigation (no hard line), tree-care training opportunities, and educational materials