



Alaska Community Forestry Program

2020 Grant Announcement



Demonstration Tree Plantings or Orchard Projects

The Alaska Community Forestry Program is offering grants to organizations for demonstration projects for tree plantings or orchards. The purpose of the grants is to help evaluate what different types of tree species, varieties or cultivars will thrive in Alaska's unique climates.

The grants are intended to support projects that demonstrate new or innovative ways of growing trees in Alaska. Project applications could include, but are not limited to, new technology, techniques, or approaches for street tree plantings, containerized orchards, seedling cultivation, biochar use or other pioneering ideas. Applicants are encouraged to be creative.

With funding assistance from the USDA, Forest Service, the Alaska Department of Natural Resources' Division of Forestry has approximately \$40,000 in total grant funds available. Applicants, which are limited to government entities or nonprofit organizations, may apply for up to \$15,000 in grant funds.

Grants can be used for the purchase of: A) trees, saplings, seedlings, or orchard trees; B) items such as mulch, stakes, hoses, gloves, or other planting materials; C) educational materials; D) other material and equipment required for the project; and E) limited shipping costs.

Trees must be planted on public land within a community and a three-year maintenance plan is required. For applicants working with schools, consider involving students in the research and design process. Be creative and thoughtful during the planning process. These projects will help the Division of Forestry evaluate the success of different demonstration and test projects, share results, and make recommendations.

For more information and application instructions, go to <http://forestry.alaska.gov/community/grants>

Questions or Comments?

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