

July 15, 2026

Dear Plant Grant Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in our Plant Grants program. Please thoroughly review the terms and conditions of the grant below before completing the application. Be sure to complete all application sections and return it before the deadline.

Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Program Description

The Plant Grants Program provides “starter gardens” comprised of native species to nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and public agencies throughout the Delaware Valley that are engaged in community gardening, restoration, or beautification projects. Recipients may be awarded up to 100, mostly herbaceous plants, with limited shrubs and trees available.

Program Goals

- Educate the public about the ecological benefits of native plants
- Facilitate the transition to native landscapes on public and non-profit-owned lands
- Amplify the Preserve’s impact throughout the Delaware Valley

Eligibility

- Applicants must be a nonprofit organization, public agency, or educational institution
- **Project must be on public land, land owned by a nonprofit, or land owned by an education institution in the Delaware Valley** (see map on page 7).
- Applicants must have the ability to maintain the planting area for a minimum of three years
- **The property must be accessible to the general public.**
- **NEW! Recipients are encouraged to return cleaned pots to the Preserve to be recycled.**

Evaluation Criteria

Applications will be ranked and awarded based on the following:

- Eligibility of the applicant
- How well the project meets the goals of the program
- Project Location within the Delaware Valley
- Suitability of available plants for project conditions
- Audience served (with underserved populations taking priority)
- Quality of educational opportunity
- Long-term viability of the project
- New applicants will be given preference over those receiving grants last year or in multiple years so that we may reach a broader audience

Application Deadlines and Requirements

- Applications for Fall Plant Grants will be accepted from 7/15/26 - 8/15/26
- **NEW!** For Fall 2026 Plant Grants, we will wait until the application period closes before selecting grant recipients.
- Please send inquiries and applications electronically to nursery@bhwp.org

Grantee Requirements

Grantees must sign a grant agreement with the Preserve agreeing to certain conditions, including the maintenance of the project area after completion, willingness to install a project sign (provided by the Preserve), educating the public on the nature of the project, and submitting a report on the project with before and after photographs.

Our Mission: *Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve increases the knowledge and use of native plants by serving as an educational resource and destination that inspires conservation action.* The Plant Grants Program supports the Preserve's mission by educating the public about the ecological value of native plants and assisting grantees in transitioning to native landscapes. As part of the agreement, grantees that use plants donated by the Preserve must highlight the benefits of planting native species through educational signs and/or through other interpretive activities.

***Required Fields**

*Name of Organization:			
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*Organization Mission and Background:			
*Contact Person:			
*Email:		*Phone:	
*Mailing Address:	*City:	*State:	*Zip:
*Project Description (must include project location, size of area, sun exposure, soil moisture conditions, other environmental factors, time frame, <u>access to water</u>, and activities):			

***Educational Component** (include description of target audience and how the value of native plants will be demonstrated to the community):

***Care & Maintenance Plan** (e.g., site prep, planting, mulching, watering routine, weeding, etc.):

If awarded a Plant Grant from Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve, I hereby agree to abide by the conditions below:

1. I will recognize the Preserve's donation by installing the signage provided to me in a place visible to the public.
2. I will provide proper care for all plants received through the Plant Grants program of the Preserve for no less than three years after planting.
3. I will coordinate my order pick-up with the nursery manager or nursery coordinator.
4. I will return cleaned pots if they not utilized elsewhere.
5. I will develop an educational component that satisfies all the requirements of the Plant Grants application.
6. I will submit the attached report, including photographs, by email no later than October 31st of the following year.
7. I understand that fall grant applications will be only accepted from 7/15 – 8/15, pending funding availability.

***Please sign and date:**

Signature:

Date:

Direct Inquires To:

Gabi Roberts
nursery@bhwp.org

Electronic Submission To:

nursery@bhwp.org
Subject line: Plant Grant Application

Please indicate the quantity of each plant you are requesting (total plants not to exceed 100). Limiting your request to no more than 15 of any one plant variety will better allow us to fulfill all of the plant requests we receive.

QTY	BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	SIZE	LIGHT	MOISTURE
	Ferns				
	<i>Matteuccia struthiopteris (lim 10)</i>	ostrich fern	3-6 ft	Part Shade - Shade	Medium - Wet
	Grasses, Sedges, Rushes				
	<i>Carex pensylvanica</i>	Appalachian sedge	6-12 in	Sun - Part Shade	Dry
	<i>Chasmanthium latifolium</i>	northern sea-oats	2-5 ft	Part Shade	Medium - Moist
	Herbaceous Plants				
	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	eastern columbine	1-3 ft	Sun - Shade	Dry - Moist
	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	swamp milkweed	3-5 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	butterfly-weed	1-3 ft	Sun	Dry - Medium
	<i>Chelone glabra</i>	turtlehead	2-3 ft	Sun	Medium - Wet
	<i>Conoclinium coelestinum</i>	blue mistflower	1-3 ft	Part Shade	Medium - Moist
	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	purple coneflower	2-4 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Eurybia divaricata</i>	white wood aster	1-3 ft	Part Shade	Dry - Medium
	<i>Eutrochium dubium</i>	little Joe-Pye weed	3-6 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Eutrochium fistulosum</i>	Joe-Pye weed	4-7 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Fragaria virginiana</i>	wild strawberry	3-9 in	Sun - Part Shade	Med – Dry
	<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	common sneezeweed	3-4 ft	Sun	Medium - Wet
	<i>Heuchera americana</i>	alum-root	1-2 ft	Part Shade - Shade	Medium
	<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	cardinal-flower	2-4 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	great blue lobelia	1.5-3 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Monarda didyma</i>	bee-balm	3-5 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	wild bergamot	2-4 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Dry - Medium
	<i>Packera aurea</i>	golden ragwort	8-15in	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	foxglove beard-tongue	2-4 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Phlox divaricata</i>	wood phlox	9-12 in	Part Shade - Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Polemonium repens</i>	Spreading Jacob's ladder	1-3 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium
	<i>Pycnanthemum muticum</i>	short-toothed mountain-mint	2-4 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Dry – Medium
	<i>Rudbeckia fulgida var fulgida</i>	orange coneflower	24-30 in	Sun	Dry – Medium
	<i>Salvia lyrata</i>	lyre-leaved sage	1-2 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Moist
	<i>Solidago nemoralis</i>	gray goldenrod	1-2 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Dry – Medium
	<i>Solidago caesia</i>	Blue-stemmed goldenrod	3-5 ft	Sun	Medium – Wet
	<i>Symphyotrichum laeve</i>	smooth blue aster	2-4 ft	Sun	Dry – Medium
	<i>Symphyotrichum novae-angliae</i>	New England aster	3-6 ft	Sun	Medium
	<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i>	foamflower	9-12 in	Part Shade - Shade	Medium
	<i>Vernonia noveboracensis</i>	New York ironweed	4-6 ft	Sun	Medium - Wet
	<i>Zizia aurea</i>	golden-Alexander	1-3 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Moist
	Woody Plants (limited quantities available/maximum of 7 woody plants per grant, including special requests)				
	<i>Aronia arbutifolia</i>	red chokeberry	6-12 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Dry - Wet
	<i>Clethra alnifolia</i>	sweet pepperbush	3-6 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Cornus sericea</i>	red-osier dogwood	4-9 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Hamamelis virginiana</i>	witchhazel	6-15 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Ilex verticillata (may be a cultivar)</i>	winterberry holly	6-12 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium - Wet
	<i>Hydrangea aborescens (2 max)</i>	Wild hydrangea	3-6 ft	Part Shade - Sun	Medium

	Viburnum dentatum	Southern arrowwood Viburnum	6-10 ft	Sun - Part Shade	Medium
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	Botanical Name	Common Name			
Special Requests (subject to availability and suitability for the project):					
Qty					

Disclaimer: The Preserve reserves the right to substitute plants requested based on availability and site conditions.

Please submit the final report on the next page no later than October 31st of the year after you receive your grant. Please include the following information.

- A list of the plants received, including quantities and an estimated survival rate for each species planted
- An overview of the site prep, planting, mulching, and who participated (i.e. volunteers, employees, etc.)
- An outline of the maintenance performed over the project's first year.
- Before and after photos of the project site and photos taken the following fall, after the plants have emerged from dormancy.
- Describe the educational component of your project, including the audience served and how the value of native plants was demonstrated to the community

If your organization does not submit a final report for your project within the specified time frame, you will not be eligible for future Plant Grants.

Final Report

Please submit no later than October 31st of the year after your grant was awarded.

Organization Name -

Contact Person -

Date you received your plants -

Date(s) plants were planted -

Is the sign we provided installed in a location that is visible to the public?

Planting

Please provide an overview of the site prep, planting, mulching, and who participated (i.e. volunteers, employees, etc.)

Care & Maintenance Plan

Provide an outline of the ongoing maintenance performed since the planting (watering routine, weeding, etc.)

Educational Component

Describe the audience served and how the value of native plants was demonstrated to the community

Please email your final report along with a copy of your plant list, before and after photos of the project site, and photos taken the following fall after the plants emerged from dormancy to nursery@bhwp.org. Subject line: Plant Grant final report



Before applying for a Plant Grant, please ensure your project location is located within the Delaware Valley as defined by the map below. Eligible counties are highlighted in blue.

