



August 1, 2026

We appreciate your interest in applying for a Native Plant Grant from Loess Hills Wild Ones for nonprofit organizations. We are excited by the possibility of helping you incorporate native plants into the Siouxland region!

There are two grant award options:

- \$500.00 in funding for native gardens. All funds must be used for the native garden, and any items purchased must remain in the garden area.
- \$400.00 and 1 flat of plants (32 plants) from our Fall 2026 plant sale.

Nonprofit organizations that have **NOT** received an LHWO plant grant in 2025 and are within a 75-mile radius of Sioux City, IA, are eligible for this grant. The funding is intended to provide your organization with a way of preparing, planting, and maintaining an area of natural landscaping with native plants. Projects with an educational aspect, like a small butterfly garden, a little prairie area, or landscaping near a school or public building, would be ideal.

Please fill in the entire grant application to the best of your ability. The questions are designed to get you to think about and plan for all aspects of the project; the application is evaluated in its entirety. **All grant applications are due by August 31, 2026.**

If you have any questions, please email us at loesshillswildones@gmail.com and include the word "Grant" in the subject line.

Grants will be awarded on September 18, at 5:30 p.m., at our Fall 2026 Plant Sale at the home of our Co-Vice Presidents, Tom and Cheri Stewart, at 2801 S. Cecelia Street in Sioux City. We look forward to reviewing your application and are excited about the possibilities of more native plants in our area.

Sincerely,

Loess Hills Wild Ones



NONPROFIT GRANT APPLICATION

FALL 2026

Instructions

- Read the introductory letter to understand the awards process and eligibility requirements.
- Five individual grant awards of \$500.00 or \$400.00 and 1 flat of plants (32 plants) from our Fall 2026 Native Plant Sale on September 18 will be awarded.
- Complete all sections of the Grant Application Form. These questions are designed to encourage individuals to consider and plan for all aspects of the project; the application is evaluated in its entirety.
- After completing this form, attach it to an email message addressed to loesshillswildones@gmail.com, noting "Grant Application" in the subject line. You can also print out a blank copy of the application, fill it in by hand, and mail it to the LHWO Grant Committee, 3301 Walden Ave., Sioux City, IA 51106.
- If you have questions or need further information, please email loesshillswildones@gmail.com and include "Grant" in the subject line.
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Has your organization applied for an LHWO Native Plant Grant previously?

Has this organization received an LHWO Native Plant Grant previously? If so, when?

Name of Contact Person:

Name Nonprofit Group:

E-mail Address:

Project Location

Which option are you applying for?

\$500 check

\$400 check and a flat of plants

Project Description

Please answer the following questions in one or two sentences:

- What are the short- and long-term goals of the project?

- To what extent will the project achieve one or more of the following objectives:
 - Restore or develop the native plant community.
 - Provide habitat for native wildlife.
 - Educate others about the beauty and significance of native ecosystems.

- What groups and organizations will be involved in developing and maintaining this project? What are the ages of the students or children involved? (If applicable)

- Who owns the project site? Describe their commitment to the project.

- What other funding will be used to develop and maintain this project?

- How will long-term maintenance be assured?
- Are there any invasive species on or near the site? If so, how do you plan to address them?
- Describe the Project Location: What is the soil/ground like? How much sun does it get (hours/day, morning only, all day, etc.)? How moist does the soil get/remain after rain? What are the approximate dimensions?
- Please attach a photo and/or drawing of the project site. Files are restricted to 1 MB. (PDF or various image file types, five images max)

- Please include a preliminary list of species you plan to plant. List scientific and common names, the number of plants, and an estimate of the cost. (Estimate 1 plant per square foot to get total numbers.)
- How did you choose plants for this site? Did you have assistance?
- What is your planned timetable, including planting date(s)?
- Have you raised other funds for this project? Are other organizations contributing, and will they be listed as co-sponsors?

- What will the site be used for besides supporting wildlife and pollinators? (i.e., Meetings, organization activities, public use)

Contact Information for the Person who will be responsible for project upkeep:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Agreement

- The Chapter shall have the right to supply others with a description and photos of the project and disseminate its underlying concepts and/or ideas.
All purchases with grant funds must be used and remain in the planting area.
- I agree to acknowledge this funding source in any project publicity or printed materials.
- A representative of the Chapter will periodically observe your garden. If desired, we can mentor you and your new garden.
- I will display the provided Loess Hills Wild Ones sign in the wildflower garden.
- I will submit photos of the garden to the chapter if possible.
- I will provide, within one year of the date of the award, a detailed listing of how the grant funds were used, a brief description of how the planting process went, and where the project stands after a year.
- Plantings are typically done in spring or fall. School gardens must arrange for maintenance and watering after installation, especially for spring plantings.
- The Chapter, sponsors, and/or any of its agents, officials, and employees shall assume no responsibility or liability for claims of damage of any kind to property or claims of injury to any person in connection with a grant.

Project Coordinator Name:	
Phone:	Email:

IF YOUR ORGANIZATION IS AWARDED A GRANT BUT YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 18, PLEASE ARRANGE FOR SOMEONE TO PICK UP YOUR PLANTS ON YOUR BEHALF.