

# Champions of the Environment Grant Award

- **Do you need money** for an environmental project?
- Champions of the Environment awards money to **outstanding environmental projects.**
- Tell us about your efforts to help the environment and you could **win up to \$2,000!**
- Visit **[www.scdhec.gov/champions](http://www.scdhec.gov/champions)** to learn more & apply.



**Apply today for a Champions of the Environment Grant!**

Applications are due October 17, 2016.  
Awards will be made in November.

**Up to \$2,000 for your project!**



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- **Do you have a project that improves or protects the environment?**
- **Do you need money for your project?**
- **Are you a K-12 student or a teacher of K-12 students in South Carolina?**

If so, apply for a Champions of the Environment grant! Up to eight projects receive a \$2,000 grant each award year. Merit and Seedling awards will also be available. Awards will be made in November.

## Who is eligible?

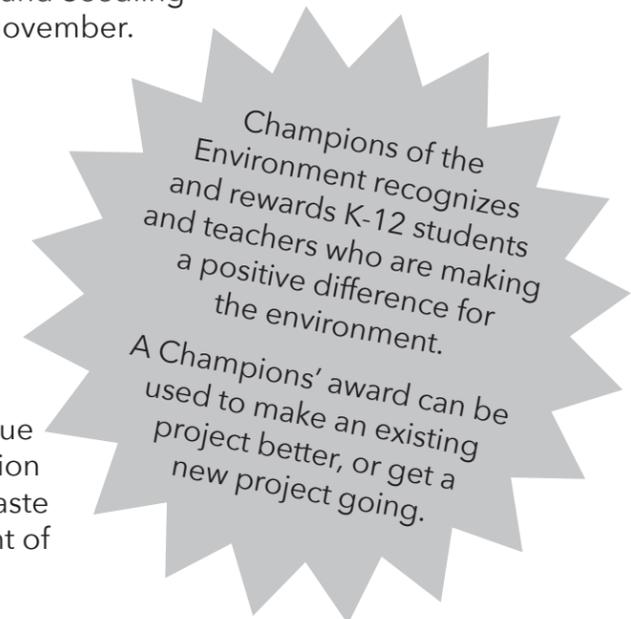
- South Carolina's K-12 students, teachers and environmental educators who are working on a student environmental project
- Applicants may be school groups, clubs or individual students in a public, private or home school program.
- Eligible projects must address an environmental issue in one or more of the following categories: prevention or reduction of pollution in the air, water or land; waste reduction; restoration, preservation or enhancement of natural areas; water or energy efficiency.

## To apply:

Go to **[www.scdhec.gov/champions](http://www.scdhec.gov/champions)**, and check out the Grant Award Program webpage to submit the completed application electronically. Please refer to the Grant Application Help Sheet on the same webpage for additional information.

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For more information call the Champions coordinator, Amanda Ley, at (803) 898-4183 or visit **[www.scdhec.gov/champions](http://www.scdhec.gov/champions)**, where you can learn more about the program, find out about past winners and get some ideas for your environmental project.



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# Become a Champion of the Environment!

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Dear School Administrator,

I want to share with you a great opportunity for your school. The Champions of the Environment program will begin accepting grant applications on August 1st. Awards will be made in November. Turn the page to read the Champions flier and poster.

Champions of the Environment's goal is to encourage, empower, and recognize the implementation of youth environmental education projects that develop awareness, promote behavior change, or improve and protect our water, air and land. We believe that student participation in hands-on environmental activities benefits the environment and creates lifelong environmental stewards.

The Champions' grant award program rewards kindergarten through 12th grade students and teachers whose projects improve and protect South Carolina's environment and educate others. Grant winners receive a cash award to use for their project and promotion for their school. In addition to a professionally produced TV commercial highlighting their winning project, winners are recognized through organizational websites, social media, and media coverage.

Thank you for taking time to consider the Champions' grant award program. Please pass this information along to any teachers or staff involved with environmental education. We hope you will join us in encouraging student environmental action for the good of the environment, student development and South Carolina's future.

Sincerely,  
Amanda Ley  
Champions of the Environment Coordinator

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