



# Zero Waste Grant

Solid Waste and Resource Recovery  
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# Purpose

- Stoke innovation,
- Spur development, and
- Encourage the enhancement of Zero Waste programs within our community for the benefit of the residents of Alachua County.



# Categories

- Reuse/Repair
- C&D Recycling
- Food Waste Composting
- Recycling
- Research
- Education and Outreach
- Other Zero Waste activities as recommended in the County's Zero Waste Plan



# Eligibility

- Non-governmental, non-profit and for-profit entities registered in, and in good standing with, the State of Florida.
- Must have a physical location within Alachua County by the time an agreement is executed.
- Must comply with the County's Minimum Wage Ordinance



# Evaluation Criteria

- Alignment with the County's Zero Waste Plan
- Waste Reduction
- Reliance on Grant Funds



# Funding

- Reimbursement grant
- Only for the creation of new Zero Waste activities or the enhancement of existing ones
- Funds can not be used for the funding of existing activities, maintenance expenses, facility or grounds beautification, insurance, membership fees, or other expenses not directly related to the Zero Waste activity contained in the Grant Application



# Funding Source

- Short Term : Use \$200,000 of the existing funding that the Board allocated for the construction of a bulk storage facility at the EcoLoop
- Long Term : Potential increase in Transfer Station Tipping Fees



# Reporting Requirements

- Quarterly reports
- Detail progress, tons diverted, summary of activities undertaken, etc.





# Staff Recommendation

- Approve the creation of the Zero Waste Grant and Budget Amendment



# Questions

Thank you for your consideration.

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