Keep Grapevine Beautiful Gives is a community outreach grant that allows organizations, small businesses and schools an opportunity to apply for grant funding that will be used toward improvements and/or education that support our mission and align with beautification, litter prevention, and waste reduction.



Established in 2018, there have been many impactful projects completed. The scope of the projects varies as indicated below:

- Purchase of water bottle filler
- Restoration to wildlife habitat area in school garden
- Purchase of trash carts for a low-income neighborhood

To view some of the past funded projects, click here.

Grant Program Terms and Conditions

Grant Amount

The minimum grant award is \$500, and the maximum award is \$5,000.

Criteria

Project(s) described by applicant must take place within the city limits of Grapevine or on Grapevine Colleyville Independent School District campuses. Projects must be completed and grant funding spent by May 15, 2026. If the project is not completed by this date, funding shall be returned to Keep Grapevine Beautiful (KGVB). Applicants must agree to submit a final report on their project by May 22, 2026 (see Timeline section for more details).

Special consideration for all awards will be given to projects that:

- Include an educational component
- First-time program or project
- Serve low-income or under-served populations

Funds may NOT be used for the following purposes:

- Repayment of existing debt or obligations
- Payment of organizational overhead
- Legal fees
- Loan or bank fees
- Subsidization of existing contracts
- Ongoing staff expenses
- Pass-through grants
- Field Trips

Only fully completed entries submitted on time, by eligible parties, and in compliance with the guidelines will be judged. If the point of contact of the awardee organization changes, KGVB should be given updated contact information within a timely manner.

Timeline

Awardees are expected to adhere to project completion and report dates unless otherwise approved by the board.

- September 2, 2025 Grant window open.
- October 7 Grant window closes at 5 pm CST.
- October 13 Applications reviewed by board in executive session.
- October 16 Finalists invited to present to board at special meeting.
- October 27 Special meeting, finalists present to board. Awardees are determined in executive session.
- October 29 Winners notified, invited to award/check presentation.
- November 10 Award/check presentation.
- May 15, 2026 Projects must be complete and grant funds spent. Exceptions are made on a case-by-case basis and must be requested when applying.
- May 22, 2026 <u>Final report</u> form must be received by KGVB.

Evaluation Process

Winners will be selected by a panel of judges, comprised of Keep Grapevine Beautiful board members and representative(s) from sponsoring company (if possible). The amount of grant funding awarded to each project is also determined by the panel of judges. All decisions made are final.

Application Guidelines

- Applicants that rent or lease their location must provide proof of the owner's approval for any improvements made through the project.
- Applicants that are part of an HOA, commercial or historical district must provide proof
 of approval by the supervising body such as HOA board or historical society.
- Applicants must ensure that projects do not conflict with City ordinances.
- Application must be submitted through the specific online application form.
- All questions on the online application form must be completed with adequate information and detail.
- An itemized budget must be included with unit quantities, unit pricing, and total costs per item and project total cost.
- Please DO NOT submit materials that are not requested in the application. They will not be used in the judging process.
- Applications must be submitted online by October 7, 2025, by 5 p.m.

Expectations of Awardee(s)

The awardee agrees to attend the presentation.

- KGVB may distribute funds based on project start date and/or the need to purchase supplies and materials.
- Awardee agrees to promote the project/program through social media, and/or newsletter and/or website, and/or signage co-branded with the Gives logo.
- The awardee agrees to return unspent funds and/or full balance of award if project is not completed and/or those not spent by stated deadline.
- These are restricted funds for the use of the approved project only and shall be kept separate from general operating funds.
- Awardee agrees to submit a <u>final report</u> with at least 10 high-resolution images by previously stated deadline. Failure to do so will result in exclusion from future grant participation.
- The awardee is expected to provide KGVB with any project revisions within a timely manner.

Questions? Contact us at KeepGrapevineBeautiful@grapevinetexas.gov.

I agree with the Terms and Conditions as listed.	
Applicant	Date