2017-2018 MEEC School Garden Mini Grant Project

For a limited time, MEEC is accepting proposals for environmental school garden schools "seed" money to provide basic tools necessary to start a school garden project. Suitable projects may include but are not limited to: seeds, soil, equipment, building materials, low water-use irrigation materials, trees, plants, greenhouse supplies, and composting materials. Interested teachers should complete the following application by detailing desired materials, the project/materials' environmental component and how the project will address educational standards. The application must also contain a timeline for project implementation and a budget or cost breakout based on the applicant's research of actual material costs, including shipping and handling, if applicable. Labor costs and prepared food items are not eligible for funding. Your school's name, mailing address and a contact number/email must be included on the application for consideration. **Projects must be implemented/materials must be used in classrooms/schools located in the High Desert portion of San Bernardino County, the Antelope Valley or the Palo Verde Valley of Riverside County. Applicants must also teach within these same jurisdictions.**

Maximum grant amount is \$500. Individual award amounts to be determined by MEEC. Only one grant will be awarded per school per school year. <u>Application deadline is October 31,</u> <u>2017.</u> Winners will be notified in early November and grants will be awarded by November 30th. Project materials must be purchased by March 1, 2018.

ALL PORTIONS MUST BE TYPED: NO HANDWRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. HANDWRITTEN FORMS WILL BE INELIGIBLE.

Applicant
School
School District
School Mailing Address
Contact Phone
Contact Email

SCHOOL GARDEN GRANT APPLICATION:

Please answer all sections on the following pages completely. You may use additional pages if needed. LABOR COST AND *PREPARED FOOD ITEMS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING*.

PROJECT ENVIRONMENTAL COMPONENT: Example: Plant materials for vegetable garden

Example of environmental connection: "The garden will supplement the life science component of the 4th grade science curriculum, and provides a place to study weather, insects, soil, and other environmental matters."

REQUESTED ITEMS LIST

Thoroughly itemize the materials required to implement your project and include quantity and cost for each item. Include shipping fees and tax in your total cost. Use separate sheet of paper to list more items.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	COST PER UNIT	TOTAL COST

CORRELATION OF STANDARDS: LIST STANDARDS THAT CAN BE CORRELATED TO YOUR PROJECT Example: Investigation and Experimentation

6. Scientific progress is made by asking meaningful questions and conducting careful investigations. As a basis for understanding this concept and addressing the content in the other three strands, students should develop their own questions and perform investigations.

TIMELINE FOR PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION/COMPLETITION

Total Amount Requested:

If awarded, check will be addressed to:_____

Teacher/Advisor Signature:_____ Date:_____

Application deadline is 5:00 PM October 31, 2017.

Proposals may be mailed to MEEC School Garden Grants, 14306 Park Ave, Victorville, CA 92392, e-mailed to smurray@mdaqmd.ca.gov or faxed to (760) 241-6271.

For questions, contact Samantha Murray at (760) 245-1661 ext. 6717.