



APPLICATION

GRANTS TO BEAUTIFY AND RESTORE

DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 15

Date:

District:

Name of Club:

Contact Person (Name, address, phone number, email):

Restoration Project Yes _____ No _____ **Disaster/s Date:** _____

Beginning date:

Completion date:

Amount Requested:

Total Project Budget:

Brief description of how the funds will be used

Please use separate sheet and list the following:

1. Nature and severity of disaster (if applicable)
2. Location of area to be restored/beautified
3. Proposed plan by garden club/s
4. Landscape plan
5. Estimated itemized costs of your project
6. Other funds received toward project
7. Participation of club members

Judging is based on the following Scale of Points:

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| • Emphasis on live plant material | 45 |
| • Scope of project | 40 |
| • Scope in relation to number of club members | 5 |
| • Networking with other groups in project | 5 |
| • Application form complete | <u>5</u> |
| | 100 |

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P O Box 263
Madison VA 22727-0263

OR Email to: ja.fray@verizon.net



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CLUB GUIDELINES

Grants to Beautify & Restore

A grant program for club projects, Grants to Beautify & Restore, has been established by the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. to provide financial support for clubs to restore gardens that have been damaged by natural disasters within Virginia or to beautify areas within communities. Priority will be given to natural disaster restoration projects.

A garden club or clubs may apply for funds to help replant, restore and beautify a public area that has been damaged or destroyed by a natural disaster, such as hurricanes, tornadoes, ice storms, floods, fires, etc. The restoration project is to be sponsored by a VFGC member garden club. The scope of these programs may include replacing plants and trees, clean-up, mulching and replanting expenses. Grants may also be used by clubs to beautify public areas and roadsides in their communities.

All VFGC clubs are encouraged to apply for a one-year grant up to \$1000 for the purpose of restoring gardens or community beautification.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 15 each year

REPORT and REFUND OF UNUSED FUNDS DEADLINE: May 15

HOW TO APPLY:

Please fill out the application form, include a budget and mail or e-mail to:

Judy Ann Fray, VFGC Chairman ja.fray@verizon.net 540-948-4220
P O Box 263
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The application is available in a Word document at www.viriniagardenclubs.org or by email from the Chairman.

PROGRAM CRITERIA:

In evaluating grant applications, priority will be given to **RESTORATION** projects following a natural disaster when there is significant impact such as:

- Quality of life, such as damage to a garden/park frequently used by many people
- Endangered/rare plants are threatened
- Historic integrity of the garden

Community Beautification projects are also eligible will be evaluated based on the following:

- Benefits to the community
- Club participation
- Project visibility/location of the project

FUNDING GUIDELINES:

Grants will not be provided for:

- Projects in which the club does not participate in some aspect
- Salaries or benefits of school personnel
- Fieldtrips outside Virginia
- Political action programs
- Eagle Scout projects
- Capital drives and building funds
- Scholarships and endowments
- Lawsuits and litigation
- Overhead costs
- Consumable, one-time use items or giveaways, such as T-shirts, tote bags, food, admission fees, or tuition