

2017-18 Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

- Q1:** Can non-profits, recreation leagues, community groups, etc apply for these grant funds?
A1: *No, only incorporated municipalities, counties, and legally constituted recreation authorities and commissions.*
- Q2:** Can my project include a combination of acquisition and/or development and/ or rehabilitation?
A2: *Yes it can.*
- Q3:** The last time LWCF was offered, trail related projects were not eligible. Are trail related projects eligible during this funding cycle?
A3: *Yes, they are.*
- Q4:** How many copies of the application need to be submitted?
A4: *One original plus one copy.*
- Q5:** When is the deadline to turn in the application?
A5: *The application will be accepted as long as it is postmarked on or before, Tuesday, October 31, 2017. For applications being hand delivered, the deadline is 4:00 p.m.*
- Q6:** Can the application be emailed?
A6: *No. We can only accept hard copies that are either mailed or hand-delivered.*
- Q7:** Can city/county labor expended on this project be used as in-kind match?
A7: *Yes. The required support documentation involves a larger effort, but is acceptable as a means to meet the match.*
- Q8:** What was the basis for developing the criteria used to award grants?
A8: *The criteria are based on the issues identified in the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). A copy can be downloaded from www.gastateparks.org/scorp*
- Q9:** Does the LWCF grant program make grants for planning?
A9: *No, grants are typically awarded to proposals that target: 1) acquisition, 2) development, and 3) rehabilitation efforts. Proposals that are the result of an organized planning effort will generally score higher than those that are not. The purpose of giving this advantage is to encourage jurisdictions to demonstrate a thoughtful process for investing in outdoor recreation facilities and services.*
- Q10:** Can I apply for a grant to assist with the construction of indoor recreation facilities?
A10: *No, the program is specifically for outdoor recreation.*
- Q11:** What types of documents are needed to support questions that address design and materials for my project?

A11: *It is not enough to simply present the “design concept” for a proposed project; applicants must be able to demonstrate that detailed plans have been developed to help ensure the successful implementation of a project.*

Q12: If selected to receive a grant, when will I get my check?

A12: *This is a reimbursement grant program. This mean the grantee expends their funds on the project and is then reimbursed for eligible expenses (not to exceed the grant award).*