

IAN GRAY MEMORIAL ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS

2012-2013

The Ian Gray Memorial Environmental awards programme is composed of two parts.

The first part is an award of up to three grants of up to \$500 each to any public, separate or private school in Newmarket from K-Grade 12 who submits an application each fall as outlined below for a sustainable environmental project that creates environmental awareness and environmentally friendly initiatives and helps make for a more sustainable environmentally friendly town. The award will be granted in December by NEAC.

The second part of the award is the presentation of the Ian Gray Environmental Award of the year to be presented in spring before the end of school. Entrants in this award do not have to be the recipient of one of the grants above but will be required to document their project, the benefits, and how it improved the environment in Newmarket.

Entrants will also be asked to demonstrate their project at a public session devoted to these projects in order that the groups receive appropriate recognition and the community at large can learn from the competing projects.

From these submissions, a project will be awarded the Ian Gray Environmental Award of 2011-2012 and a presentation will be made by Newmarket Council to the winning group at a formal council meeting in June, both of the award and a \$500 cheque.

Part A: Environmental Grants for Students K-12

- The Ian Gray Environmental Grant is a way to promote environmental issues, promote environmental sustainability, and increase awareness of environmental challenges and how we can best approach these issues in Newmarket. We believe the students are the best agent for making change in our environment.
- Eligible for up to three grants of up to \$500 for Environmental projects that target current environmental issues in Newmarket, enhance environmental awareness and help lead to a more sustainable environment in the community
- To be considered for a grant your proposed environmental initiative must address a minimum of one of the criteria below:
 - Cleaner Air/Reducing Greenhouse gas emissions
 - Water conservation
 - Managing waste through recycling/composting/reduction of waste
 - Sustainable Energy use
 - Biodiversity Improvements – wetlands/groundwater/rivers
- Application: Notices will be sent to schools and a notice will be posted on the Town page of the Newmarket Era. The application form will be available on the Town web site. **Submissions are to be made by November 23, 2012.**
- Grants will be announced in early December and paid before year end
- We encourage groups that have access to adequate funding and do not require a grant to advise NEAC (NEAC@newmarket.ca) of the project you are undertaking in order that we may help promote your good work

HOW TO ENTER:

Complete the attached application form and deliver to the Town of Newmarket Municipal office on or before November 23, 2012. Send to the Chair, NEAC, c/o Planning Department

ELIGIBILITY:

The Award is open to all students, student groups attending school in Newmarket.

GRANT SELECTION CRITERIA

Entries will be judged according to the following general criteria:

- Project exemplifies the Environmental objectives of cleaner water, cleaner air, reduced greenhouse emissions, or reduction in energy use
- Project addresses an overwhelming need at the local level with quantifiable community benefits and results are demonstrable
- Project exemplifies long term planning with respect to use of the Grant's funding and/or environmental and community sustainability
- Project is unique, innovative and will be used to show others how to reduce impact on the environment
- The grant is required to attain the project results and how the money is used in the project will be evident

AWARD SELECTION COMMITTEE: NEAC

Part B: THE IAN GRAY ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD 2013

- **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

1. Each school can enter one project per year. No fee applies.
2. Supplementary information must not exceed one page
3. Your submission should include:
 - A Completed Entry form
 - No more than one page of supplementary project information
 - 2-5 photographs of the project or site of the project. Artists' rendering can be submitted in place of photographs where they illustrate a design or construction element that cannot be captured otherwise.
 - Send two copies of the entry to :
Town of Newmarket,
Ian Gray Environmental Award
C/o Chair, NEAC
395 Mulock Drive. Newmarket, ON
L3Y 4X7
 - An electronic copy of your entry may be sent along with .jpg pictures to NEAC@newmarket.ca
 - Agreement Newmarket may use the information on its website or in press releases
 - **Entries must be received no later than 5 PM April 30, 2013**

IAN GRAY ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD-- GRANT APPLICATION FORM –Due November 23, 2012.

Primary Contact Name and Title:

Secondary contact: _____

School:

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email address for primary contact _____

Project Overview

Project Name:

Project Category: _____

- ☐ Cleaner Air/Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- ☐ Water Conservation
- ☐ Managing waste through recycling/composting/reduction of waste
- ☐ Sustainable Energy Use
- ☐ Biodiversity Improvements – wetlands/groundwater/rivers

Tell us about your project and what you intend to accomplish.

Tell us how many people –students and staff will participate in this project_____

How much of a grant do you need (max. \$500) and what will it be used for?

What is your project budget?

Timeline to complete project: _____

How will you measure success and what goals do you want to achieve?

Potential long term benefits of the project:

Applicant Declaration (To be completed by the Head of the project)

I acknowledge that I have read understood and complied with the terms and conditions of participation in the **Ian Gray Environmental Award –Grant Programme** and certify that the information provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the posting of this entry material on the internet via the Town of Newmarket's website and in any other public release made by the Town of Newmarket.

Name: _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Title: _____

Phone: _____

School: _____

Email _____

IAN GRAY ENVIRONMENT AWARD

2013 Application Form- Due April 30, 2013.

Primary Contact Name and Title: _____

Secondary contact: _____

School: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email address for primary contact _____

Project Overview

Project Name: _____

Project Category (ies): _____

- ☐ Cleaner Air/Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- ☐ Water Conversation
- ☐ Managing waste through recycling/composting/reduction of waste
- ☐ Sustainable Energy Use
- ☐ Biodiversity Improvements – wetlands/groundwater/rivers

Project
Description: _____

Project Cost _____

Environmental Outcomes

A) Which of the program's environmental objectives does this project meet? Fill out all that apply:

- ☐ 1. Cleaner Air/Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions
How does project achieve this objective?
- ☐ 2. Water Conservation
How does project achieve this objective?
- ☐ 3. Managing waste through recycling/composting/reduction of waste
How does project achieve this objective?
- ☐ 4. Sustainable Energy Use
How does project achieve this objective?
- ☐ 5. Biodiversity Improvements – wetlands/groundwater/rivers
How does project achieve this objective?

B) Are there measurable or quantifiable environmental benefits? N ☐ Y ☐

How can the environmental benefits be measured?

What are the estimated and/or actual results in quantifiable terms?

How were these figures calculated and/or estimated?

Community Benefits

1. What challenges in your community does your project address?

2. How has (will) your project improve the above situation?

3. Describe other broad community benefits of your project?

4. Is this project the first of its kind in your community (that you know of) ☐ ☐
If so, describe what is new about it?

5. What are the long term advantages of this project?

6. How has it changed your community (school)?

7. How many students (teachers) were involved in the project development?

8. How many students (teachers) were involved as a result of your completed project?

(If project has not started than please indicate not applicable)

Planning

1. How long did the project take to implement? How long do you expect it to take to implement?

2. What is the most important information that the Award Committee needs to know about this project?

3. Will the project reduce school expenditures over the long term? If yes, please indicate these savings.

4. In what ways does this project address the long term sustainability needs of your school?

Photographs

While photographic quality will not be accessed as part of the Award evaluation process, good pictures help communicate the benefits of your project.

Tips

- Include people in the scene where appropriate
- Include action
- Include a mix of long shot and close up views in your submission
- Include pictures that focus on an interesting project detail

Please describe each photograph in your submission in 15 words or less.

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