

# PROJECT GRANT APPLICATION Form

Pursuant to Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation’s Municipal Grant Policy, municipalities must use this form to apply for a project-based grant, utilizing separate forms for each project request. Please refer to the [Municipal Grant Policy](http://www.rirrc.org/municipal-officials-haulers/municipal-officials/grant-program) for detailed considerations, matching requirements and submittal instructions. When submitting the application, attach other relevant information including quotes from vendors, product specifications and/or pictures.

## MUNICIPAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name: Sally Smith Position: Director of Public Works Date: 6/22/2021

Department of: Public Works City/Town of: Pleasantville

Project Manager Name & Title: Mary McCormick, Parks & Recreation Supervisor

Project Manager Email Address: mmccormick@pleasantville.org Phone Number: 401-555-1234

## GRANT FUNDS REQUESTED

Fiscal Year & Grant Cycle: FY22 - 1 Total Project Cost: $1,980.00

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## PROJECT PROPOSAL

Project Title: Pleasantville High School Athletic Field Recycling Barrels

### Project Need

*In the space provided below explain the problem or issue the project is trying to address.*

There are no recycling receptacles at the high school’s athletic field. A large percentage of the material placed in trash barrels is bottles and cans. We have also heard from several parents of athletes who would like to see recycling offered at the field.

Project Description

*In the space provided below describe in detail how the proposed project will meet the identified need*.

Pleasantville’s main athletic field, located at the high school, is home to baseball games, track meets and in the fall: well-attended football games that attract 200-300 people. The concession stand sells 100-200 drinks per game that come in the form of plastic bottles and aluminum soda cans. Recycling barrels, to be paired with the existing eight trash barrels, will provide a much-needed space for the recyclables.

Expected Results and Performance Measures

*Document in the space provided below the specific performance measures that will be used in gauging the success of the project (e.g. who will benefit, how many people will participate, percent of population educated, pounds of waste diverted, changes to recycling and or load rejection rates, etc.).*

Athletes and attendees will benefit from recycling barrels at the athletic field. Our Parks & Recreation Department estimates that over 500 people use the field or attend games per week over 36 weeks from September to January and from March to June, equating to 18,000 visitors. These visitors are about half form Pleasantville and from other cities or towns, depending on the opposing team.

The eight trash barrels are filled anywhere between 25%-100% with “trash” -- 70% of the volume being bottles and cans. We believe we can reduce our trash barrel contents down to 30% trash and divert 70% to the recycling barrels. Using the EPA’s volume to weight conversion factors: if six out of eight recycling barrels are filled (conservative estimate) = one cubic yard or 32 lbs. per week x 36 weeks = 1,152 lbs recycled or 36 cubic yards of landfill airspace saved.

We also expect this stream of recycling to be relatively free of contaminants. The recycling barrels will be labeled with RI’s standardized mixed recycling labels on all sides. If needed, we will put up more signage and education. We will also look into purchasing the black “trash” labels from Recycle Across America for further emphasis of the separate recycling and trash receptacles. Parks & Recreation staff that empty the barrels will also check for major contaminants as to not spoil the contents of other recycling barrels.

Parks & Recreation staff will keep track of the number of bags of recyclables collected per week. We’ll also measure the increase in pickups of our mixed recycling dumpster at our DPW yard, where the recyclables will be placed. We expect a significant decrease in trash (also emptied by Parks and Recreation staff) and will track that as well.

### Project Schedule

*Provide a detailed schedule including the anticipated start and end dates as well as quarterly benchmarks and milestones. In determining the anticipated start date, keep in mind that all grant applications are subject to review and approval by the Board of Commissioners at a scheduled meeting. In determining quarterly benchmarks and milestones, use the first quarterly report due date as the first quarter (December 30 for Cycle 1 grants, June 30 for Cycle 2 grants).*

Anticipated Start Date: 9/1/2021 Anticipated End Date: 6/30/2022

#### Benchmarks and Milestones by Quarter:

Quarter 1 (by 12/31/21): Quote has already been received including shipping. Immediately after the grant is approved, order recycling barrels from RecyclingBarrels.com. Once received, Parks & Rec. staff will install at the athletic field and apply mixed recycling labels. Assess need for more mixed recycling labels or education. Staff will count bags of trash and recycling and log.
Quarter 2 (by 3/30/21): Continue measuring results with games starting in March.
Quarter 3 (by 6/30/21): Continue measuring results until the conclusion of the school year and sports season.

### Project Budget

*Please complete the budget worksheet below and provide a narrative explaining any items that have not been previously addressed. Hyperlinks to specific items that are intended to be purchased are appreciated.*

| **ITEM** | **VENDOR** | **QTY** | **UNIT PRICE** | **TOTAL PRICE** | **GRANT FUNDS REQUESTED** |
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| Iron recycling barrels, model number 228-30 | RecyclingBarrels.com | 8 | $200.00 | $1,600.00 | $1,600.00 |
| Shipping | RecyclingBarrels.com | 1 | $380.00 | $380.00 | $380.00 |
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| **TOTALS** | **PROJECT COST** | **GRANT REQUEST** |
| $1,980.00 | $1,980.00 |

#### Provide additional budget narrative or hyperlinks below:

The exact model of recycling barrel can be found at:
www.recyclingbarrels.com/recycling/model-228-30