# A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF NORTH BRUNSWICK AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION OF THE 2022 MUNICIPAL RECYCLING ENHANCEMENT GRANT FROM MIDDLESEX COUNTY

**WHEREAS,** The County of Middlesex has a successful recycling program that has achieved a total recycling rate of over 60% for nineteen of the last twenty-one years; and

**WHEREAS,** the Middlesex County Division of Solid Waste Management is sponsoring a 2022 Municipal Recycling Enhancement Grant Program for municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, for the year 2022, the Municipal Recycling Enhancement Grant Program will be adding in opportunities for funding reusable bags since the single-use carryout bag ban will be in May of 2022; and

WHEREAS, this is a competitive program whereby municipalities submit grant applications for recycling related projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the recycling division of Public Works is applying for the 2022 Municipal Recycling Enhancement Grant Program and requesting grant monies to be used to purchase polyester utility tote bags to hand out at municipal events; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer reviewed the grant terms and recommends Council to approve said request.

**NOW THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021, by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick, that the Mayor and the Clerk hereby authorize the application of the 2022 Recycling Enhancement Grant agreement.

Cavel Gallimore Chief Financial Officer Eric Chaszar Director of Public Works

Justine Progebin Business Administrator Ronald Gordon, Esq. Township Attorney Approved as to Legal Form

### **RECORDED VOTE:**

COUNCIL MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	NOTES
MEHTA				
LOPEZ				
GUADAGNINO				
ANDREWS				
DAVIS				
SOCIO				
MAYOR WOMACK				

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, at its meeting held on June 1, 2021.

Lisa Russo Township Clerk

## Middlesex County's 2022 Recycling Enhancement Grant (REG) Program

Middlesex County has a successful recycling program that has achieved a total recycling rate of over 60% for nineteen of the last twenty-one years. We have provided REG funding for municipalities for many years to achieve specific objectives. For 2022, we will again be focusing on illegal dumping issues but will be adding in opportunities for funding reusable bags since the single use carryout bag ban is coming in May 2022. Additionally, there is also an opportunity to fund a pilot food waste recycling project for residentially generated food.

#### Grant Topic:

Grants will be awarded for purchase and installation of security cameras to prevent illegal dumping, purchase of reusable shopping bags to hand out to residents, and/or a pilot curbside/drop-off food waste collection program for residents. The minimum grant that will be awarded is \$2,500. The maximum awarded will be \$5,000 for the shopping bags or \$7,500 for the other two projects. No municipality shall receive more than \$7,500.

#### **Criteria for Selection**

Priority will be given to applications, which meet the following criteria:

- 1. Ability to complete the purchases in a timely manner. <u>Grants must be spent by October 15,</u> 2022.
- 2. Include specific details (depending upon the option chosen) such as:
  - A plan to distribute the shopping bags
  - Details on how food waste will be collected and sent to market
  - A description of, and justification for, the site where the cameras will be located
- 3. If a municipality received a grant for security cameras in 2021, they are not eligible to receive further funding for a security camera project. They can apply for funding for one of the other two topics.

#### Who Can Apply?

Municipal Departments of Public Works/Recycling Programs are the <u>only</u> entities eligible for these grants. The County will not accept applications from schools, businesses, non-profit organizations, or others.

Applications must be submitted to the County by December 1, 2021 by 4:15pm. If it is not possible to submit the required resolution by that date, you must submit the application and indicate the date the resolution will be provided. It is anticipated that grant awardees will be notified by January 31, 2022.

#### Funding Guidelines:

- Grants cannot be used for administrative costs, or to subsidize existing operations. There
  is no matching obligation from the municipality, however any expenses other than the
  allowable costs are expected to be assumed by the town.
- Grants can be used to cover supplies, contracting costs or equipment purchases only. Municipal labor costs cannot be covered.
- Resolution by the applicant's governing body is required to be submitted with the application.
- Municipalities will need to submit billing of actual expenditures being requested for reimbursement by the County. Municipalities will have until October 15, 2022 to expend the monies and must submit all invoices by the end of November, 2022. Projects should begin as soon as the grant is approved by the Board of County Commissioners. Municipalities should not submit applications for projects that cannot be completed during that time frame.

### Municipality

List the proposed total costs for the project. Please be specific. List the proposed items to be purchased and the position/job duties utilized for labor.

Cost category	\$ Requested from County
Materials and Supplies:	
500 polyester utility tote bags	\$4578.75
Grand total:	\$4578.75
Signature Public Works Director/Supervisor	Print Name Eric Chaszar
Signature <u>Aren Ventrice</u> Recycling Coordinator	Print Name Loren Ventrice

Applications are due December 1, 2021 by 4:15pm. Grant applications can be mailed, emailed or hand delivered. This deadline will be strictly enforced.

A resolution from the governing body authorizing the grant submission must be submitted before grants are awarded. Please submit your application to:

Carole Tolmachewich Middlesex County Solid Waste Management 13-15 Kennedy Blvd. East Brunswick, NJ 08816 (732) 745-4170 carole.tolmachewich@co.middlesex.nj.us

## 2022 Recycling Enhancement Grant Application Form

Name of Municipality:	North Brunswick Township
Contact Person:	Loren Ventrice
Address:	45 Quarry Lane North Brunswick
Phone #:	732-297-1134
Email Address:	lventrice@northbrunswicknj.gov

### **Dollar Amount Requested \$4578.75**

#### **Project Description**

Explain the project including the objectives and how it will effectively improve the municipality's recycling program.

We plan on purchasing utility totes to hand out to our residents at community events & during leaf season when residents pick up their allotment of leaf bags. We will be using the Bag Up NJ logo on the front of the tote bag to promote the new change banning single use plastic bags. The plastic bag ban will help in reducing community debris & litter throughout the township.



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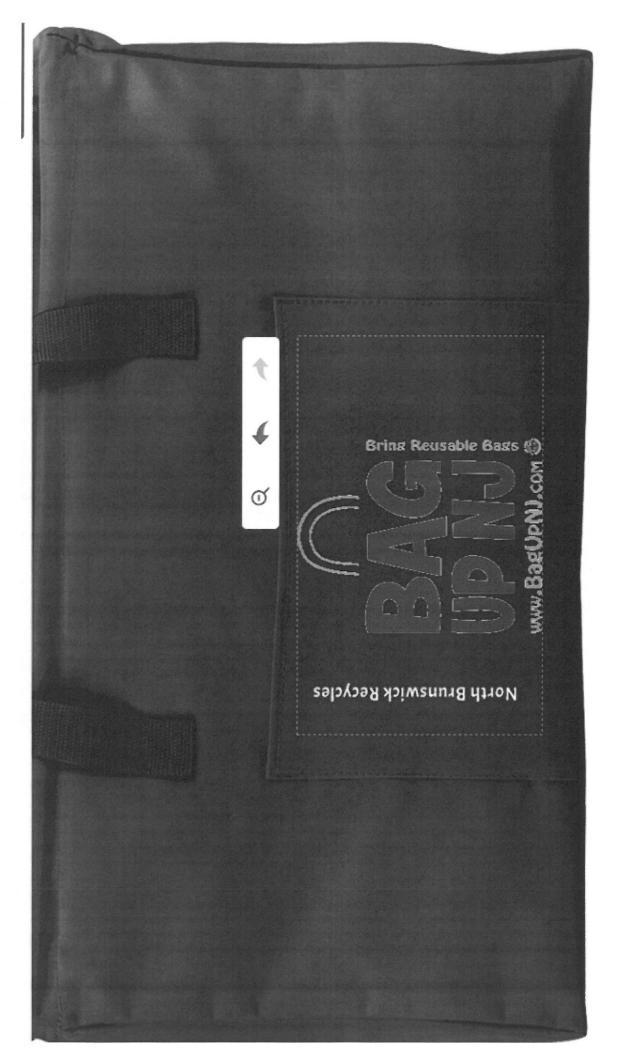
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