## PIE GRANTS REPORT

Public Information and Education mini-grants support the presentation and dissemination of information and perspectives that will stimulate enhanced environmental stewardship in any category eligible for Nebraska Environmental Trust (NET) funding. These categories are habitat, surface and ground water, waste management, air quality, and soil management. The grant expands dialogue on important current conservation topics and provides information on emerging or highly useful conservation methods. All Nebraska individuals, private organizations, and public entities are eligible to apply for these funds.

Nine applications were received for the 2019 third quarter. The applicants included Nebraska Recycling Council – Annual Awards Luncheon and Workshops: Year of the Community; Central Platte NRD – Husker Harvest Days Pollinator Awareness Project; Audubon's Rowe Sanctuary – Audubon's Rowe Sanctuary a Refuge, a River, a Half-Million Cranes; Upper Niobrara White NRD – Range Day; Aquatic Society of Omaha INC – Helping the Community Water Quality and Conservation; Asian Community & Cultural Center – Serving and Supporting Refugees through Natural Experiences; ESU #5 – Nebraska's Resources; NE Extension in Burt County – Tekamah Pollinator Garden (Phase II); and NE Wildlife Federation – Urban Pollinator Flyway Phase II. Recipients were the Central Platte NRD, Upper Niobrara White NRD, Aquatic Society of Omaha INC, Asian Community & Cultural Center, ESU #5, NE Extension in Burt County, and NE Wildlife Federation.

The Nebraska Legislature created the Nebraska Environmental Trust in 1992. Using revenue from the Nebraska Lottery, the Trust has provided over \$305 million in grants to over 2,200 projects across the state. Anyone – citizens, organizations, communities, farmers and businesses – can apply for funding to protect habitat, improve water quality and establish recycling programs in Nebraska. The Nebraska Environmental Trust works to preserve, protect and restore our natural resources for future generations. http://www.environmentaltrust.org/

Fourth quarter 2019 applications are due October 7, 2019.

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