



**NEVADA**  
— DIVISION OF —  
**OUTDOOR RECREATION**

## Nevada Outdoor Education & Recreation Grant Program

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## NOER GRANT OVERVIEW

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**Purpose:** *To provide high-quality outdoor education and recreation opportunities for Nevada students facing barriers to outdoor access.*

### Goals:

- Provide Nevada students with high-quality opportunities to directly experience the natural world
- Expose young minds to the environment, agriculture, and natural resources to promote environmental literacy
- Seek to improve academic performance, self-esteem, personal responsibility, community involvement, personal health, or understanding of nature for all our Nevada youth (through age 18)





## FUNDING

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### **AB 128 allocates:**

- \$250,000 available in FY 2024
- \$250,000 available in FY 2025





## Nevada Outdoor Education and Recreation Grant Program



# NEVADA OUTDOOR EDUCATION AND RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM

Passed during the 2019 legislative session, The Nevada Outdoor Education and Recreation Grant Program (NOER) seeks to provide quality opportunities for Nevada students to experience the outdoors. Administered by the Nevada Division of Outdoor Recreation, the goals of the program are to improve academic achievement and personal wellness while fostering an appreciation of nature.

For a quick overview of the NOER grant program, please view the [Grant Summary](#). When

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# NOER GRANT

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## Priorities

Primarily focused on serving students who face barriers to outdoor access as measured by committee review of written application and eligibility for free or reduced-price meals pursuant to 42U.S.C. 1751 et seq.



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# Grant Timeline



# HOW TO APPLY

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- Applications are available in Word Doc format and may be downloaded from webpage from August 1 – October 6, 2023
- Applications may be submitted for feedback during the feedback period from August 1 – August 30, 2023
- Application and feedback materials are submitted by email to [NOERgrant@ndor.nv.gov](mailto:NOERgrant@ndor.nv.gov)



# ELIGIBLE PROGRAMS AND COSTS

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Programs include, but are not limited to, the following:

- ✓ Backpacking
- ✓ Camping
- ✓ Canoeing and kayaking
- ✓ Environmental outdoor education
- ✓ Ranching
- ✓ Fishing
- ✓ Hiking
- ✓ Hunting
- ✓ Orienteering
- ✓ Outdoor based after school programs and camps
- ✓ Outdoor cooking
- ✓ Rock climbing
- ✓ Electronic devices (and associated software) such as Global Positioning Systems (GPS), avalanche beacons, tablets, etc., if used as part of the program
- ✓ Camping equipment and supplies
- ✓ Fees for park entry and camping
- ✓ Fishing equipment and supplies
- ✓ Food and non-alcoholic beverages
- ✓ Hunting and archery equipment and supplies
- ✓ In-state transportation and travel, including to bordering counties and cities in other states
- ✓ Leasing transportation, mileage, and gasoline
- ✓ Lodging and facility rentals
- ✓ Non-motorized boats
- ✓ Staff time if directly related to project



# INELIGIBLE PROGRAMS

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**Ineligible programs include, but are not limited to, the following:**

- Facility construction projects
- Organized Team Sports (i.e. baseball, soccer, or basketball)
- Promotional or fundraising events
- Projects that do not have an outdoor component
- Out-of-State Travel, except for bordering counties and cities
- Out-of-State Students
- Purchase of automobiles, vehicles, or boats with motors
- Pre-agreement Costs, unless pre-approved by Administrator
- Religious activities



# MATCHING FUNDS

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## Eligible Match

A grantee's matching share may include one or a combination of the following:

- ✓ Appropriations and cash
- ✓ Donations—the value of using cash, equipment use, staff time, volunteer time, materials, or services
- ✓ Grants—federal, state, local, or private

## Not allowed as Match

- ✓ Costs that are double counted (that is, any cost included in more than one project)
- ✓ Anything considered an ineligible cost or activity.
- ✓ Costs that are not necessary or an integral part of the project scope.

Match				Of 5
1 points	2 points	3 points	4 points	5 points
No Match	Match is less than 1:1 (50%) but unsecured	Match is less than 1:1 (50%) and secured	Match is 1:1 or more and unsecured	Match is 1:1 or more and secured

# APPLICATION AND Awardee Requirements

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	Tier I Grants (Microgrants)	Tier II Grants
Amount	Up to \$5,000	\$5,001 - \$50,000
Match	None required	None required
Application	Written only	Written & Presentation
Evaluation Criteria	Basic	Extended
Evaluation	NDOR staff	TAC
Reporting	One final report	Quarterly reports
Reimbursement*	With final report	Quarterly



# WRITTEN APPLICATION

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	Tier I Grants (Microgrants)	Tier II Grants
Basic organization info	✓	✓
Scope of Work	✓	✓
Explanation of audience	✓	✓
Budget	✓	✓
Program Impact	✗	✓

# PROGRAM IMPACT

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- Connect Students with Nature
- Academic Success
- Environmental Literacy
- Foster Stewardship
- Physical Health
- Self Confidence
- Personal Responsibility
- Cultural Education
- Community Involvement

**Self Confidence:** Programs may teach to markers of social-emotional learning or provide opportunities for leadership, self-reflection, growth, independence, or setting and pursuing personal goals.

**Connect Students with Nature:** Nature connectedness happens when individuals feel they belong in and are a part of nature. To build this connection, programs may provide significant time in or sensory interaction with the outdoors, focus on forming social connections or facilitating positive experiences and moods in nature, or provide learning about Nevada's nature.

# SCORING

Scoring Criteria	Max Score	Top Score Criteria
SERVES STUDENTS WHO ARE FACING BARRIERS TO OUTDOOR ACCESS (TOTAL 20)		
Students facing access barriers to the outdoors	10	Over 40%
Free and Reduced Lunch	10	Over 40%
OVERALL SCOPE (TOTAL 15)		
Scope of Work	10	✓ Includes detailed description of project. ✓ Clearly identifies realistic objectives and deliverables for students. ✓ Describes how project will accomplish goals.
Grant History	5	✓ No or only 1 previous grant(s) through the NV Outdoor Education and Recreation program
BUDGET (TOTAL 20)		
Overall Budget	10	✓ Provides a specific description of costs and how money will be spent. ✓ Requested funding is detailed and reasonable.
Match	5	✓ Match is a 1:1 or more and secured (Match not required to apply)
Amount per Child	5	✓ In the lowest 1/3 of applications
PROGRAM IMPACT (TOTAL 45)		
Connect Students with Nature	5	✓ All aspects of the intent are clear and well described
Academic success	5	
Environmental Literacy	5	
Foster Stewardship	5	
Physical Health	5	
Self Confidence	5	
Personal Responsibility	5	
Cultural Education	5	
Community Involvement	5	
100 Total Maximum Points		



# POST APPLICATION PROCESS

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## **Tier II Applicant Presentations**

- November 7
- Virtual or in-person in Carson City to TAC

## **Final selection and notification**

- December 2023



# Questions?



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