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## **\$6.7 Million Awarded to Waste and Litter Reduction, Recycling, and Scrap Tire Grants**

LINCOLN, Neb. — Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy Director Jim Macy announced Feb. 5 the award of \$6,686,369 in grants to support 144 projects across the state. These grants will help fund litter and waste reduction projects, recycling programs, and pay costs for scrap tire cleanups and collections for household hazardous waste, electronic waste, and pharmaceuticals.

“There were many outstanding applications submitted to NDEE this year,” Macy said. “These grants will assist many important local efforts to promote litter and waste reduction, and help handle the costs of proper disposal of many materials, such as household hazardous waste and scrap tires.”

Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive funds are generated by a fee on solid waste disposed of in landfills, an annual retail business sales fee, and a fee assessed on the sale of new tires. Grants are provided to local integrated waste management projects, and can include recycling systems, household hazardous waste collections, and composting. For 2021, 31 projects totaling \$3,067,101 were funded under the Business Fee and Disposal Fee categories.

Also included in the Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive program are Scrap Tire funds, which are generated from a \$1 fee on new tires purchased in Nebraska. In 2021, 60 grants totaling \$1,535,068 were awarded. These grants will fund 13 scrap tire cleanup events across Nebraska. Enough funding was awarded to cleanup up 3,925 tons of scrap tires. Funds will also be used to partially reimburse the cost of many products made from recycled scrap tires, such as artificial turf football, soccer, baseball, and softball fields, athletic running tracks, and

playground surfacing.

Litter Reduction and Recycling funds are generated from a fee charged to certain manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers of products that commonly contribute to litter. The program has provided grants annually since 1979. In 2021, 53 litter grants totaling \$2,084,200 were awarded in the public education, cleanup, and recycling categories. Public education programs educate citizens on litter reduction and recycling through a variety of school and community activities. Cleanup grants provide funding for Nebraska residents of all ages who pick up litter and debris along Nebraska’s highways, waterways, recreation lands, urban areas, and other public use areas within the state. Not only are the public areas improved through the removal of litter, but also much of the material collected is recycled. Recycling programs provide an alternative to the disposal of solid waste in Nebraska’s landfills. Priority is given to programs that promote markets for recycled materials or purchasing products made from recycled materials.

Grant applications for 2022 will be available in early July 2021. Please check our website or contact [ndeq.wastegrants@nebraska.gov](mailto:ndeq.wastegrants@nebraska.gov) for more information.

Below is a summary of the 2021 grant awards by city:

City	Organization	Program Category	Application Summary	Funds Awarded
Adams	Gold Crest Retirement Center	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 29,250 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 4,162
Alliance	Keep Alliance Beautiful	Business Fee	Funds for the recycling center for Box Butte County and surrounding area, and waste and recycling education programs. Through June 2020, shipped 425,717 lbs. of recyclables; 71,000 lbs. higher than the same time in 2019.	\$ 99,781
Alliance	Keep Alliance Beautiful	Public Education	Public education for waste reduction and litter prevention to Box Butte County students and residents. Teach practical habits to reduce, reuse, and recycle.	\$ 64,329
Alliance	Keep Alliance Beautiful	Recycling	Funds to operate the recycling center in Alliance serving Box Butte County, and also partially fund a vertical baler.	\$ 46,131
Alliance	City of Alliance	Scrap Tire	Proposed 500-ton scrap tire cleanup for Box Butte, Sheridan, Morrill, Grant, Dawes, and Sioux counties.	\$ 72,460
Ashland	City of Ashland	Scrap Tire	Proposed 50% reimbursement of 31,200 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 3,505
Ashland	City of Ashland	Scrap Tire	Proposed 75-ton scrap tire cleanup in Ashland for the town and one-mile surrounding area.	\$ 9,740

Atkinson	West Holt Public Schools	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of a rubber bond playground surface made from 60,900 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 15,837
Beatrice	Keep Beatrice Beautiful	Cleanup	Clean up 100 roadside miles and 60 public acres in Gage County.	\$ 5,975
Beatrice	Keep Beatrice Beautiful	Public Education	Public education to promote litter reduction and recycling. Partner with the City of Beatrice and Gage County. Supply litter and recycling containers for Litter-Free events.	\$ 39,288
Benedict	Village of Benedict	Scrap Tire	Proposed 50% reimbursement of 56,550 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 7,525
Bennington	City of Bennington	Disposal Fee	Funds toward a horizontal grinder to process tree debris into mulch and eliminate hauling to landfills. Will process trees with emerald ash borer (city has 300 ash trees on city property), plus ongoing tree maintenance and storm debris management.	\$ 161,488
Bertrand	Bertrand Community School	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of rubber playground mats made from 41,600 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 13,367
Blair	Blair Community Schools	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 290,000 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 33,137
Blair	City of Blair	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of two poured-in-place playground surfaces using 41,500 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 18,700
Blue Hill	Blue Hill Community Schools	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 11,700 lbs. of rubber playground mulch and 25% reimbursement of a poured-in-place playground surface made from 13,450 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 8,265
Broken Bow	Custer County Foundation	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 19,500 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 2,775
Burwell	Loup Basin RC&D Council/Keep Loup Basin Beautiful	Public Education	Public education for litter prevention, waste reduction, and recycling in 13 counties in central and north central Nebraska.	\$ 47,767
Central City	Central City Public Schools	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 50,000 lbs. of crumb rubber used to top dress the athletic playing field.	\$ 7,500
Chadron	Keep Chadron Beautiful	Cleanup	Clean up 100 miles in Dawes County.	\$ 5,135
Chadron	Keep Chadron Beautiful	Public Education	Public education to establish new attitudes and behaviors toward litter reduction and recycling. Conduct community presentations, help with litter-free events, and offer educational after-school programs.	\$ 71,438

Chadron	Keep Chadron Beautiful	Business Fee	Funds to continue the paper and cardboard recycling program in Chadron. Last year 167,180 lbs. were collected and recycled.	\$ 63,038
Columbus	Keep Columbus Beautiful	Public Education	Public education for schools, businesses, and organizations to increase recycling and raise awareness for litter prevention in Platte County.	\$ 33,482
Columbus	Platte County Highway Department	Recycling	50% of the cost of a brush chipper and skid loader to process vegetation and tree waste along Platte County roads. Resulting mulch will be available for free at five locations in Platte County.	\$ 49,413
Columbus	Keep Columbus Beautiful	Recycling	Provide services to move recyclable materials collected in Columbus to the recycling center in Schuyler.	\$ 20,420
Columbus	Jared Lesuer	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 5,850 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 878
Columbus	Keep Columbus Beautiful	Business Fee	Funds to host a household hazardous waste (HHW) collection for residents of Platte County. Anticipate collecting 16,000 lbs. of HHW.	\$ 26,088
Crofton	Lewis and Clark State Recreation Area/Nebraska Game and Parks Commission	Recycling	Funds for recycling containers to distribute around the Lewis and Clark State Recreation Area to be used by park staff and visitors.	\$ 1,643
Crofton	City of Crofton	Disposal Fee	Funds to help defray the cost of transporting recyclables collected in Crofton.	\$ 1,999
Fairbury	Jefferson County Highway Department	Scrap Tire	Proposed 150-ton scrap tire cleanup for Jefferson County.	\$ 17,454
Falls City	Richardson County	Scrap Tire	Proposed 350-ton scrap tire cleanup in two locations for Richardson County.	\$ 37,699
Fremont	Keep Fremont Beautiful, Inc.	Public Education	Public education to create awareness regarding environmental issues and increase community participation in litter reduction, recycling, and the proper disposal of waste in Dodge County.	\$ 70,785
Fremont	Midland University/Dodge County Head Start	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of two poured-in-place playground surfaces and one bonded rubber surface using 14,100 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 10,417
Fremont	Keep Fremont Beautiful, Inc	Business Fee	Household hazardous waste collection event for over 36,500 residents of Dodge County.	\$ 30,414
Fremont	Horizon Biofuels Inc.	Business Fee	50% of the cost to purchase 10 roll-off containers to expand collect sites and store 2,000 - 3,000 tons of wood waste to be	\$ 23,618

			recycled into heating fuel pellets and animal bedding products.	
Fullerton	Fullerton Public Schools	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 5,580 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 832
Gering	City of Gering	Disposal Fee	Funds toward a tub grinder to process tree and wood debris into mulch for Scotts Bluff County. Mulch will be available to city, homeowners, and farmers in the county. City has 3,500 cy stockpiled wood waste from two winter storms.	\$ 147,864
Gibbon	Gibbon Public Schools	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 15,600 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 2,240
Grand Island	Grand Island Area Clean Community System	Cleanup	Clean up 100 roadside miles and 50 public acres in Hall, Merrick, Hamilton, Howard, and Adams counties.	\$ 5,800
Grand Island	Grand Island Area Clean Community System	Public Education	Public education on litter, recycling, and reuse, and proper disposal of household chemicals through presentations to adults and youth in Hall County. Work with Grand Island schools on a new food waste composting program.	\$ 40,374
Grand Island	Grand Island Area Clean Community System	Business Fee	Funds to operate the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facility for Hall, Hamilton, Howard, Merrick, and Adams counties. Since 2012, 850,000 lbs. of HHW accepted, with 203,301 lbs. reused.	\$ 84,716
Harrisburg	Banner County School	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 156,000 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 20,608
Hastings	City of Hastings - Solid Waste Department	Scrap Tire	Proposed 350-ton scrap tire cleanup for Adams County.	\$ 43,178
Homer	Homer Community School	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of an athletic track surface using 50,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 29,375
Kearney	Fort Kearny Preservation, Restoration, & Development	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of nine 6-ft. park benches and eight 3-ft. trail benches.	\$ 998
Kenesaw	Kenesaw Public Schools	Scrap Tire	Proposed purchase of 52,000 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 8,840
Kimball	Keep Kimball Beautiful	Public Education	Public education for Kimball and the surrounding area concerning litter prevention and proper waste management. Work with Kimball Public Schools and Banner County School.	\$ 24,532
Kimball	Keep Kimball Beautiful	Recycling	Funds to operate the Kimball Recycling Center serving Kimball County. Over the past two years 655,000 lbs. of recyclable materials have been diverted from the landfill.	\$ 73,216

Kimball	Keep Kimball Beautiful	Business Fee	Funds to increase recycling by providing collection services for rural residents and residential alley recycling. Program serves Kimball and Banner counties.	\$ 17,594
Lexington	Keep Lexington Beautiful	Public Education	Public education at Lexington Public Schools through after-school and summer programs on recycling and waste reduction. Also provide educational waste reduction programs for the elderly population and entire community.	\$ 37,133
Lexington	Keep Lexington Beautiful	Recycling	Conduct a paper shredding day in Lexington, service five recycling trailers, and support cleanups in the area.	\$ 12,148
Lexington	Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency	Business Fee	Funds to hold two household hazardous waste collection events to serve 45,000 people in central Nebraska.	\$ 28,509
Lincoln	Lincoln and Lancaster County Health Department	Cleanup	Clean up 240 roadside miles and 300 public acres in Lancaster County.	\$ 15,000
Lincoln	Lincoln and Lancaster County Health Department	Public Education	Public education for litter prevention, reduce landfill waste, and proper waste management practices for Lancaster County. Stormwater awareness program, cigarette litter and illegal dumping prevention.	\$ 91,289
Lincoln	Keep Nebraska Beautiful	Public Education	Operating expenses for the Litter Hotline for Douglas, Lancaster, Gage, Dodge, Cass, and Colfax counties to increase community awareness of Litter. Educate K-12 students about the litter free school zone program. Help develop after-school curriculum focusing on food waste and resource management.	\$105,948
Lincoln	Nebraska Recycling Council	Public Education	Public education to support Nebraska community and regional recycling systems and service providers, develop Nebraska's composting industry, provide business technical assistance, and help Agriculture producers recycle ag bags.	\$ 74,638
Lincoln	Nebraska Recycling Council	Public Education	Public education on recycling and materials management, instructional publications, waste assessments and audits, municipal and regional recycling system design assistance. Develop the Hub and Spoke recycling project for 34 counties in Western Nebraska.	\$ 51,152
Lincoln	City of Lincoln-Solid Waste Management Division	Public Education	Public education for a comprehensive K-12 problem/solving curriculum focused on the solid waste industry, "Bin Banter" live-stream webinar on recycling, and create a new logo and marketing related to composting.	\$ 91,890

Lincoln	University of Nebraska-Lincoln Board of Regents	Public Education	Due to pandemics and disease epidemic increases, research the rate and volumes of personal protection equipment waste generation, treatment, and disposal to plan for safe and sustainable environmental management practices.	\$ 7,800
Lincoln	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Public Education	Public education to engage the UNL community. Develop a waste management and recycling guide to be promoted via the web and social media, as well as in print form for campus. Plan at least 10 on-campus events with themes of sustainability and responsible waste management through recycling.	\$ 4,985
Lincoln	4Views Academy	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of a bonded rubber playground surface made from 6,350 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 3,733
Lincoln	Nebraska Game & Parks Commission	Scrap Tire	Proposed 25% reimbursement of 77 picnic tables made from 520 passenger tire equivalents for nine state park and recreation areas.	\$ 12,465
Lincoln	Keep Nebraska Beautiful	Business Fee	Funds for the Materials Exchange Program (reused/recycled > 13 mil. lbs. of materials last year; saving landfill fees of \$190,000 and purchasing costs of \$245,000), Food Waste Program (yearlong social media campaign to reduce food waste), and Used Oil Program (collect oil and anti-freeze at 62 sites in 58 counties). Also purchase a computer and printer.	\$ 93,592
Lincoln	Lincoln Public Schools	Business Fee	Funds for the recycling and composting program (in 58 school buildings to divert 1.8 million lbs. of organic material). Over 1.25 million lbs. of materials from 60 buildings are recycled each year. Work to expand the quantity and types of materials collected, and purchase additional recycling containers.	\$ 48,012
Lincoln	Habitat Lincoln ReStore	Business Fee	Funds toward two forklifts; one to replace a worn out forklift at an existing store, and a second for the new store to open in 2022. Current store has diverted > 1,000 tons of material from the landfill; the new store estimates to divert 1,300 tons in the first year.	\$ 27,833
Lincoln	Joslyn Institute for Sustainable Communities	Business Fee	Funds to plan the opening of the Lincoln/Lancaster County LNK Conservation Center in 2022. Will partner with the City of Lincoln, NE Dept. of Corrections, LPS, UNL, and SECC. From 2005 to 2018, a former	\$ 80,828

			business diverted 3,000 tons building materials from the landfill.	
Lincoln	Lincoln and Lancaster County Health Department	Disposal Fee	Maintain and operate the Lincoln Lancaster County Health Department's HazToGo household hazardous waste (HHW) disposal facility. The facility serves over 319,000 residents of Lancaster County. Plans include evaluating the building of a re-use center for household hazardous waste that may be open for public access.	\$ 195,425
Lincoln	University of Nebraska-Lincoln Board of Regents	Disposal Fee	Program for UNL engineering students to provide technical onsite waste/volume reduction and recycling assistance for Nebraska manufacturing businesses during the summer.	\$ 64,629
Lincoln	City of Lincoln-Solid Waste Management	Disposal Fee	Electrical work and compost pad repairs to allow the use of a statis aeration system to reach organic waste diversion goals in five to six years at the Bluff Road composting facility. About 20,000 cubic yards of finished compost will be produced annually.	\$ 355,386
Loomis	Loomis Public Schools	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 15,600 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 1,700
Louisville	Keep Cass County Beautiful	Public Education	Public education to provide resources for the development of pro-environmental behaviors that result in litter prevention and waste reduction in Cass County. Provide bins and cigarette receptacles for local events.	\$ 65,013
Louisville	Keep Cass County Beautiful	Business Fee	Hold four electronic waste (e-waste) collection events for Cass County residents. 33,000 lbs. of e-waste were last collected in 2019.	\$ 2,034
Loup City	Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 7,800 lbs. of rubber playground mulch and one swing mat.	\$ 1,126
Lyons	City of Lyons	Recycling	Funds to operate the recycling center in Lyons, serving Burt and parts of Washington, Thurston, and Cuming counties.	\$ 17,172
Madison	City of Madison	Recycling	50% of the cost of a brush chipper to process tree and wood waste from the City of Madison into mulch. Mulch will be used in city parks and offered to the public at a low cost.	\$ 20,000
Madison	Madison Public Schools	Scrap Tire	Proposed 50% reimbursement of 19,500 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 2,925
McCook	Red Willow County	Disposal Fee	Funds to provide residents of central and southwest Nebraska with safe, reliable means to recycle or dispose of household hazardous	\$351,514

			waste (HHW). Expect to collect 200,000 lbs. of HHW in 2021.	
Merna	Anselmo-Merna Public Schools	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of an athletic running track surface made from 58,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 20,220
Minden	Minden High School	Scrap Tire	Proposed 25% reimbursement of an athletic track surface using 94,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 25,026
Morrill	Village of Morrill	Recycling	50% of the cost to crush 6,000 tons of concrete and 1,100 tons of asphalt to produce aggregate to use on village roads.	\$ 23,438
Morrill	Village of Morrill	Scrap Tire	Proposed 50% reimbursement of 44,000 lbs. of rubber mulch.	\$ 5,827
Mullen	Village of Mullen	Scrap Tire	Proposed 50-ton scrap tire cleanup for Hooker County and southern Cherry County.	\$ 9,700
Nebraska City	Keep Nebraska City Beautiful	Public Education	Public education to increase recycling, promote litter reduction, and food waste reduction through after-school programs and community presentations in Otoe County.	\$ 36,832
Newcastle	Village of Newcastle	Recycling	Funds toward a recycling trailer to haul recyclables collected from Newcastle and the surrounding area to market.	\$ 10,828
Niobrara	Santee Community Schools	Scrap Tire	Proposed 25% reimbursement of an artificial turf and athletic track.	\$107,192
Norfolk	Keep Norfolk Beautiful	Public Education	Public education to teach youth about the importance of litter prevention, proper recycling practices, and instill proper waste handling habits in Madison and parts of surrounding counties.	\$ 29,276
Norfolk	City of Norfolk	Scrap Tire	Proposed 500-ton scrap tire cleanup for Madison County, along with Stanton and Pierce County residents with a Norfolk zip code.	\$ 63,610
Norfolk	Norfolk Catholic High School	Disposal Fee	50% of the cost to properly dispose of potentially hazardous and unwanted chemicals in the high school science laboratory.	\$ 1,209
North Platte	Keep North Platte and Lincoln County Beautiful	Cleanup	Clean up 320 roadside miles in Lincoln County.	\$ 16,314
North Platte	Keep North Platte and Lincoln County Beautiful	Public Education	Public education to encourage waste reduction and a litter-free environment. Work with schools, businesses, and organizations to educate on the benefit of buying recycled content products. Provide recycling containers for events.	\$ 87,102
North Platte	Keep North Platte and Lincoln County Beautiful	Recycling	Promote and help to increase recycling, including electronic waste and	\$ 33,657

			non-contaminated yard waste in Lincoln County through drop-off, school, and business recycling programs.	
North Platte	All Business & Commercial Recycling, LLC	Business Fee	Funds for a truck and skidloader, and funds toward a flatbed trailer to provide recycling pickup services and transportation for mid-western Nebraska for up to 1 million lbs. of hard-to-recycling plastics (irrigation pipe, feed tubs, fertilizer tanks, corn/grain liners). Plan to collect up to 150,000 lbs./month from curbside recycling pickups.	\$ 65,589
Ogallala	Keep Keith County Beautiful, Inc.	Cleanup	Clean up 60 roadside miles and 25 public acres in Keith County.	\$ 3,250
Ogallala	Keep Keith County Beautiful, Inc.	Public Education	Public education on litter reduction through source reduction, recycling right, food waste elimination, and sustainable waste management.	\$ 134,720
Ogallala	Ogallala Housing Authority	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 5,850 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 637
Ogallala	Western Resources Group	Business Fee	Funds to collect and process recyclables collected from central and western Nebraska. Between 2015-2019, 251,050 tons of materials were diverted from landfills.	\$120,123
Ogallala	Western Resources Group	Business Fee	Funds to support the organization's expansion into small animal bedding made from recycled cardboard. Materials are received from 12 western Nebraska counties.	\$ 32,842
Ogallala	Keep Keith County Beautiful	Business Fee	Continue litter reduction and recycling at Lake McConaughy, and continue school and education program. Purchase three recycling trailers.	\$ 50,995
Omaha	Keep Omaha Beautiful	Cleanup	Supplies to conduct over 500 cleanups in Omaha, including Adopt-a-Park/Spot programs, public spaces, and trail cleanups.	\$ 7,840
Omaha	Keep Omaha Beautiful	Public Education	Public education workshops and presentations at community events and virtually on waste reduction, recycling, and litter prevention. Participate in schools as allowed. Create online recycling guide.	\$151,715
Omaha	Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District	Recycling	Funds to conduct four electronic waste (e-waste) events in Washington, Burt, Thurston, and Dakota counties. Anticipate collecting 60,000 lbs. of e-waste from these events.	\$ 24,300
Omaha	City of Omaha (Environmental Quality Control)	Recycling	Purchase trailer with a solar-powered surveillance camera to monitor and prevent	\$ 56,000

			illegal dumping at Omaha's recycling drop-off sites.	
Omaha	Duet-Care	Recycling	Funds toward a horizontal baler and operating expenses for the recycling center, providing employment for 37 individuals with development and intellectual disabilities. Over 200 businesses, churches, and organizations are served in Douglas and Sarpy counties.	\$121,157
Omaha	Millard North High School	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of an artificial turf playing field using 334,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 68,174
Omaha	Nebraska Philanthropic Trust	Scrap Tire	Proposed 25% reimbursement of an artificial turf baseball field at the University of Nebraska-Omaha, using 310,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 121,312
Omaha	Nebraska Philanthropic Trust	Scrap Tire	Proposed 25% reimbursement of an artificial turf softball field at the University of Nebraska Omaha, using 112,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 59,777
Omaha	Northstar Foundation	Scrap Tire	Proposed 25% reimbursement of a 86,000 square foot artificial turf soccer/lacrosse field.	\$ 89,600
Omaha	Skutt Catholic High School	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of athletic track made from 84,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 27,214
Omaha	Firstar Fiber, Inc.	Business Fee	Funds for a shredder and granulator, and partial funding for a pellet mill to establish a plastic pre-processing. The facility will process 20,000 tons of hard-to-recycle plastic waste and agricultural films into higher-valued feedstock for a variety of end-market uses.	\$374,705
Omaha	City of Omaha -- UnderTheSink HHW Facility	Disposal Fee	Funds for Omaha's UnderTheSink household hazardous waste (HHW) facility serving Douglas and Sarpy counties. In 2019 over 1.3 million lbs. of HHW were collected and processed.	\$365,415
O'Neill	O'Neill Public Schools	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of an athletic running track surface made from 82,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 25,365
Osmond	City of Osmond	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of two poured-in-place playground surfaces made from 47,800 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 10,757
Palmyra	Otoe County School District 66-0501	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of an athletic running track surface made from 88,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 26,136
Palmyra	Otoe County School District 66-0501	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of an artificial turf soccer/football field made from 376,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 95,575
Papillion	Papillion LaVista Community Schools	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of athletic track made from 94,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 30,391

Potter	Village of Potter	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 13,650 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 1,650
Red Cloud	Red Cloud Community Schools	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 9,750 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 1,387
Schuyler	Keep Schuyler Beautiful	Recycling	Operating expenses for the Colfax County Recycling Facility, accepting materials from Colfax, plus parts of Butler, Platte, and Dodge counties.	\$ 43,719
Scottsbluff	Keep Scottsbluff Gering Beautiful	Cleanup	Clean up 48 roadside miles in Scotts Bluff County.	\$ 2,995
Scottsbluff	Keep Scottsbluff Gering Beautiful	Public Education	Public education on litter prevention, waste reduction, and recycling in classrooms and at public events. Educate residents on property disposal of household hazardous waste.	\$ 38,983
Scottsbluff	City of Scottsbluff	Scrap Tire	Proposed 500-ton scrap tire event for Scotts Bluff County.	\$ 70,352
Scottsbluff	Keep Scottsbluff Gering Beautiful	Business Fee	Hold a pharmaceutical take back and household hazardous waste collection for Scottsbluff, Gering, and surrounding area.	\$ 51,016
Sidney	Keep Sidney Beautiful	Cleanup	Clean up 18 miles in Cheyenne County.	\$ 3,135
Sidney	Keep Sidney Beautiful	Public Education	Public education on recycling and waste reduction to local schools, youth groups, and the community. Boost online and virtual education opportunities, and work with organizations to bring better recycling options to Cheyenne County.	\$ 24,857
Sidney	City of Sidney	Scrap Tire	Proposed 500-ton scrap tire cleanup for Cheyenne, Morrill, and Deuel counties.	\$ 69,479
South Sioux City	City of South Sioux City	Recycling	50% of the cost to purchase 800 64-gallon curbside recycling bins for South Sioux City homes.	\$ 16,007
Springfield	Soil Dynamics Composting Farm, Inc.	Business Fee	Funds to help upgrade the composting system from windrow to a turned aerated pile system. Funds toward a concrete pad to house the below-grade aeration piping system.	\$ 84,488
Stanton	Stanton Community Schools	Scrap Tire	25% reimbursement of an athletic running track surface made from 93,000 lbs. of crumb rubber.	\$ 29,456
Steinauer	Steinauer Community Club	Cleanup	Clean up 10 roadside miles leading into Steinauer.	\$ 542
Steinauer	Steinauer, Village of	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 66,000 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 8,000
Tecumseh	Nemaha NRD	Scrap Tire	Proposed 50% reimbursement of 94,000 lbs. of rubber mulch for two lake playgrounds.	\$ 11,960

Thedford	Upper Loup Natural Resources District	Recycling	Operating expenses for the Upper Loup NRD recycling program. Materials accepted from Grant, Hooker, Thomas, Logan, Blaine, and portions of McPherson, Cherry, and Brown counties.	\$ 14,000
Trenton	Village of Trenton	Scrap Tire	Proposed 100-ton scrap tire cleanup for Hitchcock County.	\$ 14,904
Valentine	Middle Niobrara NRD	Scrap Tire	Proposed 300-ton scrap tire cleanup for Cherry County.	\$ 53,964
Verdigre	Village of Verdigre	Recycling	Funding to help provide assistance at the Village's recycling shed, serving the western half of Knox County.	\$ 3,397
Wallace	Village of Wallace	Scrap Tire	Proposed 150-ton scrap tire cleanup in Wallace for Lincoln County.	\$ 21,706
Waverly	City of Waverly	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 60,000 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 7,375
Wayne	City of Wayne	Public Education	Public education campaign on Zero Waste Living in the community. Promote waste reduction through flyers, newspapers, radio, online, and social media.	\$ 6,240
Wayne	Wayne County Roads Department	Scrap Tire	Proposed 400-ton scrap tire cleanup in Wayne for Wayne County.	\$ 50,764
Wayne	City of Wayne	Disposal Fee	Expenses for a household battery recycling program for Wayne and nearby residents at the Wayne Public Library. Anticipate collecting 990 lbs. of batteries in 2021.	\$ 5,461
Wayne	City of Wayne	Disposal Fee	Hold an electronic waste (e-waste) event for residents of Wayne and surrounding towns. Anticipate collecting 30,000 lbs. of e-waste.	\$ 10,896
Wilber	Gingerbread House	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 1,950 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 321
Wilcox	Wilcox-Hildreth Public Schools	Scrap Tire	Proposed 50% reimbursement of 13,650 lbs. of rubber mulch for the preschool playground.	\$ 1,925
York	St. Joseph Catholic School	Scrap Tire	50% reimbursement of 95,500 lbs. of rubber playground mulch.	\$ 13,872