

RWD Grant Q&A	
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Will this webinar be available on your site?	Yes, the webinar slides are posted to the RWD Grant website: https://epd.georgia.gov/about-us/land-protection-branch/recovered-materials-and-abatement/recovered-materials/recycling-0
If we received a grant award this year, can we apply again during this next cycle for the same thing?	Awardees from previous RWD Grant cycles are eligible to apply if they have completed the terms of their previously awarded agreement. Awardees from previous RWD Grant cycles may not resubmit for the same project as the original award, extend, or modify their current agreements.
Is there a portal to view previous awarded grant applications?	Yes, they can be found on the RWD Grant website: https://epd.georgia.gov/recycling-and-waste-diversion-grant-cycle-fy23
Does having a STAR grant disqualify one from applying to the RWD grant?	No, EPD encourages applicants to apply for all of the SWTF grants.
How long does it take to apply and receive a permit-by-rule (PBR) for composting?	Review time may vary depending on the completeness of the submittal, but it typically takes 2-4 weeks for a PBR. Applicants should contact the SWTF Grant Team before applying for either a PBR or solid waste handling permit to discuss applicability to the project.
Are extended warranties on equipment eligible?	Extended warranties may be eligible for funding; applicants are encouraged to provide this as a match.
How long will reporting be required?	Reporting is required throughout the duration of the agreement.
During project development who can we contact if we need any clarifications or additional information?	Applicants can send questions to SWTF@dnr.ga.gov .
The city owns a property that we would like to expand to. The property has a building that would need to be demolished in order to expand. Would this be covered? Could it be provided as a match?	Yes, grant funds may be used for expansion or demolition; however, applicants must demonstrate that these activities are for an eligible project.
Is MARTA an eligible applicant?	Eligible applicants are counties, municipalities, or any combination of the same, public authorities, agencies, commissions, or institutions. MARTA is a public authority and is eligible to apply for the RWD Grant.
Are different applicant types ranked higher?	No; there is only application type for RWD grants. Eligible projects will be scored according to the requirements and criteria described in the RWD Program Guidance. EPD will fund projects starting with the highest-ranking score first and will continue awarding funds to those qualifying applications until EPD has exhausted available funds for that grant cycle.
Can we include additional information on the application?	Applicants should limit information to only what is required on the application.
How does an applicant show cooperation with other applicants?	Applicants may describe the collaboration with other applicants in the narrative section in the application. Applicants should specify the project lead and the roles of the other applicants.
Can we have clarification on the metrics being asked for?	Applicants are required to describe the quantifiable metrics that will be used to evaluate the project's impact on recycling or diverting recoverable materials from the solid waste stream. Review the RWD Program Guidance for details on metrics.

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Can we work with cities who have a current project?	No; awardees from previous RWD Grant cycles are ineligible to apply if they have not completed the terms of their previously awarded agreement.
Are paper shredding events eligible?	Paper shredding events may be eligible for funding; however, applicants seeking to facilitate a recycling collection event are encouraged to accept more than one material stream.