

Funding Your Coastal Roots Nursery



Materials, Installation and Start-up Support: \$1200 (one-time cost)
We provide everything necessary to become a full participant in the LSU Coastal Roots Program.

- **Installation and Start-up Support:** This covers staff time and travel costs for nursery installation and initial monthly site visits.
- **Materials:** This covers irrigation system and timer, can yard materials (e.g. plant cells and trays), gravel, ground cloth, shade cloth, lock, dog kennel with door, restoration materials (e.g. shovels, dibbles, mosquito spray) etc.

Checks should be made payable to **LSU**. Please put *LSU Coastal Roots Start-Up Fund* in the memo section on the check.

Schools are required to have a plumber provide a water connection to which the nursery irrigation system will be connected. This connection must be in place prior to the installation day for the can yard.

*NOTE: Installation of the can yard & irrigation system cannot begin until (1) the water connection has been completed by the plumber, and (2) LSU receives the affiliation fee. Once the affiliation fee has been received, materials will be ordered, delivered to the school and an installation date set. Ordering materials and scheduling the installation is dependent upon LSU staff teaching and research schedules and may take **as long as 8 weeks**.*

Other Costs (not included in the Affiliation Fee)

Restoration Trip Cost: about \$300 yearly.

Schools are responsible for the bus rental, teacher substitute(s) on the day of the restoration trip, and student refreshments for the trip. Lagniappe would include items such as t-shirts.

Nursery Maintenance: variable.

Schools are responsible for costs of replacing broken and/or damaged materials connected with the nursery. This includes irrigation timers, broken irrigation stems, lost/damaged cells and trays, etc.

Sources for Can Yard Funding:

- Grants
 - **LA Learn and Serve** (<http://www.crt.state.la.us/laserve/forms.aspx>)
Public schools in Louisiana.
Deadline is late October.
 - **Brown Foundation** (<http://www.thebrownfoundation.org/servicelearning/grants.htm>)
Public or private schools in Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa or Washington.
Deadline: generally in April.
 - **Quality Science and Math (QSM) grant** (<http://www.cain.lsu.edu> – click on QSM)
Available to teachers in a “regular classroom” in Louisiana public schools; amount of up to \$750. LSU Cain Center at caincenter@lsu.edu or 225-578-3322 for questions.
Deadline: early September.
 - **Other Foundations** (Lake Pontchartrain Basin, etc.)
- Community Partners (businesses, local clubs, etc.)
- Parent Teacher Organizations

Restoration trip funding

- **Target Field Trip Grants** (<https://targetfieldtripgrants.target.com/rules.php>)
Grants of up to \$1,000 are provided to fund field trips for students. Open to an accredited K-12 public, private or charter schools in the United States. Approximately 1,600 grants will be awarded to educators across the country.
Deadline: November 1. Notification by end of January.