Countdown Growing for Good grants

Application Guidelines

Growing for Good is back and better than ever for 2022, with \$50,000 of grants up for grabs.

Applications are open to secondary schools across Aotearoa for the first time and Countdown is calling for innovative projects focussed on combating climate change.

Over the last three years Countdown has funded over \$125,000 of fantastic sustainability projects in schools and early childhood centres. Previous projects have included rainwater harvesting, installing beehives, setting up compost bins to manage waste and much more!

This year, Countdown is offering up to \$10,000 per school/ECE centre and is looking for unique projects that help our youngest Kiwis combat climate change and encourage Aotearoa's next generation of environmentalists.

Who can apply?

All New Zealand early childhood education centres, primary, intermediate and secondary schools are eligible to apply for Countdown Growing for Good grants.

What type of projects will be funded?

Countdown is specifically looking for innovative, exciting projects that aim to tackle climate change in schools and local communities. You can apply for up to \$10,000 of funding for your project.

Some ideas are listed below to help you get started thinking:

- Closed loop waste systems
- Green roofs
- Repair workshops
- Solar energy projects
- Rain gardens
- Native bush restoration
- Low emissions transport schemes
- Food waste prevention projects
- Biodiverse gardens

If you're unsure that your project is the right fit for Growing for Good, please reach out to growingforgood@countdown.co.nz for further guidance.

How do I apply?

Please submit your application <u>here</u> by the 27th of May 2022. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Please make sure that your project has endorsement from the school principal before applying.

What is the process after applying?

After applications close on the 27th of May 2022, Countdown will assess all the applications and be in touch with applicants in early June to let them know the outcome of the application.