

NRVHBA Microgrant Program

The NRVHBA Microgrant Program provides funding for special projects and/or materials within elementary and secondary classrooms that aligns with the workforce development interests of the home building and construction industry. This program can provide the opportunity for teachers to enhance their curriculum, maximize opportunities for their students, and encourage interest in construction trades careers. Teachers and/or CTE Directors will be required, as part of their application, to describe how their project helps to either raise awareness of careers in the construction trades or give students practical experience in a trade that they can use outside of the classroom. Applicants can apply for up to \$2,000 per project once per year. The grant has two funding cycles: one in the fall of each year and one in the spring.

Grants awarded must be spent in the school year for which you apply. The application deadline for Spring 2025 is January 15th. The recipient (s) will be notified no later than January 31st and funds will be distributed to the appropriate school by the end of February.

Grant recipients will be required to submit a short grant report via email upon completion of the project. The grant report shall include pictures and/or video of the project, as well as a summary of how the project and grant funds satisfied the original project goals and how it impacted your students and classroom. The report should be no more than 500 words and submitted at the completion of the project, but no later than the end of the school year.

Examples of past funding requests:

- Materials for the building of a pergola to be used by students at the school
- Classroom Project: Learn how to drywall from start to finish

Guidelines for successful applications:

- State clearly how the project will benefit the students and how it ties to learning about the construction trades or career paths
- Be clear about what the funds will be directly used for and include a budget - i.e. materials, equipment, outside speakers/trips, other resources

What does not qualify for funding?

- Parties
- Stand-alone transportation costs
- Projects that can be or are already funded in the school's budget
- Projects that cannot be completed in the current school year
- Past winners who have not submitted a grant summary

Eligible Districts: Montgomery County, Giles County, Pulaski County, Floyd County, City of Radford, Wythe County, and Carroll County

Questions can be submitted to info@nrvhba.com

Deadline: January 15, 2025