

**Gopher Tortoise Council's**  
**Donna J. Heinrich Environmental Education Grants**

The GTC Environmental Education Grant was established to support educators and organizations committed to developing educational projects about the gopher tortoise and the fascinating world in which it lives. The grant also honors Donna J. Heinrich, an environmental educator, whose life was dedicated to conserving wildlife and their associated habitats. **Deadline for submission of each year's proposals is August 31<sup>st</sup>.** Please send submissions and questions to Cyndi Gates at [cyndi@fgates.com](mailto:cyndi@fgates.com).

Proposals which contain the following will be given preference:

- Projects that reach diverse and new audiences.
- Projects that focus on the importance of the conservation of intact upland ecosystems.
- Projects that encourage community involvement.
- Projects that have matching funds.

All proposals must be submitted digitally. Proposals submitted in a format other than the provided form or that are incomplete will not be accepted. A project summary for "The Tortoise Burrow" newsletter or either a presentation or poster at the following year's GTC annual meeting is required.

To apply, please submit the following Grant Proposal Form along with the following required information:

- ⌘ Cover sheet
- ⌘ Detailed budget that includes expenses and matching funds
- ⌘ A maximum two page summary that includes a description of:
  1. Goals and objectives
  2. Details on the project
  3. How the project will educate about the importance of gopher tortoises and/or other upland species/habitats.
  4. Target audience

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Name of individual/school/organization:

Name(s) of persons involved with project (identify lead person with an \*):

Full physical mailing address of lead person (include street, city, state, and zip code):

Phone number of lead person:

E-mail address of lead person:

Time frame of project (start/finish):

Other funding sources:

Other organizations/partnerships involved:

Total cost of project:

Amount of grant requested:

I understand that a final grant project summary will be provided for "The Tortoise Burrow," GTC's newsletter, within a year of receiving the grant. Awardees are welcome to provide a poster or present a talk about the project at the next GTC annual meeting instead of a newsletter article.

Signature (typed): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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*Please be detailed, but do not exceed a total of 2 pages.*

1. Provide a brief description of your project and how it contributes to tortoise and/or upland habitat conservation.

2. Who is the audience (please be detailed)?

3a. If this is a program that will be presented to the public, what goals do you have regarding the participants?

3b. If this is a sign or display, how many people will be reached by it and what do you expect the viewers to learn?

3c. If this is an activity book, curriculum, etc., how will it be distributed and what goals do you have regarding the user?

4. How will your educational goal(s) be achieved?