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SEEAL Mini Grants– Request for Proposals

I. Purpose: *SEEAL (The Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance)*, under the auspices of the *Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts*, is seeking proposals for our mini grant program. Through our mini-grants program, we seek to mobilize community resources, increase capacity for environmental education programs and activities, and promote an ethic of stewardship that balances human need with ecological integrity.

II. Eligibility & Grant Amount: All projects must:

- 1) Be submitted by a 501(c)3 non-profit organization or have one as a fiscal sponsor.
- 1) Benefit Southeastern Massachusetts
- 2) Include an educational component
- 3) Proposals may address, but are not limited to, areas such as sustainable agriculture, community gardens/urban farming, alternative energy, climate change, wildlife conservation, environmental justice and stewardship.

Preference will be given to projects that are:

- 1) Collaboratively planned and led
- 2) Easily replicable and transferrable
- 3) Submitted by SEEAL members and their partners.

Applicants can apply for grants up to \$2,000.

III. Grant Timeline: Application deadline is February 20, 2017. Grants will be awarded by end of March, 2017. Funds must be used no later than Dec. 31, 2017.

IV. Application Process: Submit the application electronically, and include specifically:

- 1) A short (1-2 page) narrative summary of the project which should include:
 - a. Name & mission of organization or group
 - b. Project description
 - c. Target audience and number of people to be reached
 - d. Project Timeline
 - e. Measures of success
- 2) Itemized budget for project expenses. Please also include the annual budget for your organization, as well as any project in-kind contributions.

Please submit your proposal as an email attachment to megan.seeal@gmail.com no later than February 20, 2017.