

## **Susquehanna Beekeepers Association**

### **Young Beekeeper Grant Worksheet**

**Purpose:** To promote local beekeeping by providing young persons with basic beekeeping knowledge and equipment. Grant equipment will consist of the following:

- One bottom board.
- One or more deep or medium hive bodies with frames and foundation.
- One inner cover.
- One telescoping cover.

**Target Age:** Persons age 14 to 18 residing in the Harford or Cecil County area.

**Requirements:**

1. Applications must be postmarked by January 31, 2018. No exceptions!
2. Recipients must enroll and complete a "Beekeeping Short Course". The SBA offers a course that fulfills this requirement. This course (at Harford Community College) runs on Friday evenings, six sessions early March to mid April. Exact dates are available through HCC's website noncredit division.
3. As part of the application process, finalists are subject to an interview in early February by SBA Board members before the grant is awarded. (Applicant's parents are welcome to attend).
4. Recipients will have an adult mentor assigned by the SBA .
5. The new apiary must be registered and comply with all state and local laws.
6. The apiary will be available for inspection by members of the SBA Board of Directors with prior notice.
7. The recipient will present a progress report to the general membership at least once each year during the first 2 years.
8. If the recipient of the grant loses interest in beekeeping during the first 2 years, he or she will return the used equipment to the association or compensate the SBA for the equipment.
9. The apiary must be located in the Harford or Cecil County area.
10. The recipient will purchase his or her own bees and any additional equipment.
11. The recipient will maintain membership with SBA for at least 2 years and attend no less than 6 general meetings per year. Meetings are held monthly.
12. A parental consent and release form will be verified before the grant is awarded.
13. Painting and assembly of beekeeping equipment may be required.

\*It is strongly recommended that Young Beekeeper Grant recipients keep a beekeeping journal, submit notes and updates to their mentor, and volunteer at the SBA's display area at summer and fall fairs.

\*The equipment provided in this grant is a start. To be a successful beekeeper, additional purchases are required at the beekeeper's expense. These supplies may include: a protective veil, smoker, gloves, hive tool, additional hive bodies, frames, and foundation. Price lists for beekeeping supplies can be obtained from the Internet and should be reviewed before submitting this application.

Questions should be forwarded to Mr. Dennis Hertzog at [dhzog@verizon.net](mailto:dhzog@verizon.net)

# Susquehanna Beekeepers Association Young Beekeeper Grant Application



This ongoing grant is being offered to promote interest in beekeeping among young adults. All applicants must meet the requirements outlined in the Susquehanna Beekeepers Association Grant Proposal Work Sheet. ***Please send completed application to: Dennis Hertzog c/o SBA, 501 Red Pump RD, Bel Air, MD 21014. All Grant Application forms are to be postmarked no later than January 31, 2018.***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Why do you want to keep bees?

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2. In 250 words or less, please describe why our Association should grant you this opportunity. You may want to include current and future interests. Please use additional paper if needed.

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Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
(Consent for "Young Beekeeper" to keep bees)