

Susquehanna Beekeepers Association 2023 Young Beekeeper Grant Worksheet

Purpose: To promote local beekeeping by providing young persons, in partnership with the SBA, basic beekeeping knowledge, skills and equipment. Grant equipment will consist of the following:

- One bottom board, one inner cover, one telescoping outer cover.
- Three medium hive bodies with frames and foundation.
- Bees may be available at cost through the SBA.

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

Requirements:

1. Recipients must accept working with an adult mentor from the SBA (to be assigned).
2. The recipient must enroll and complete the "Beekeeping" Short Course through Harford Community College or a similar course. The 2023 HCC Short Course runs on Friday evenings, Feb 24 through April 14. Enrollment through HCC's noncredit division at <https://www.harford.edu/academics/noncredit-registration.php>.
3. Since this Grant becomes a partnership between the SBA and the family, the recipient will purchase his or her own bees and any additional equipment (outlined below)
4. The recipient will maintain membership with SBA for at least 2 years and attend (in person or via ZOOM) no less than 6 general meetings per year. Meetings are held monthly.
5. As part of the application process, finalists are subject to an interview by the SBA Board before the grant is awarded.
6. A parental consent and a release form will be verified before the grant is awarded.
7. Painting and assembly of beekeeping equipment may be required.
8. The new apiary must be registered and comply with all state and local laws.
9. The apiary must be located in the Harford or Cecil County area.
10. The recipient will present a progress report to the general membership at least once each year during the first 2 years.
11. 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.

****It is strongly recommended that Young beekeeper Grant recipients keep a beekeeping journal and volunteer at the SBA's displays area during summer and fall fairs.**

Cost:

The equipment provided in this grant is a start. To be a successful beekeeper, additional purchases are required at the beekeepers 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 can be forwarded to Mr. Dennis Hertzog dhzog@verizon.net



Susquehanna Beekeepers Association 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. ***Send completed applications to: Dennis Hertzog C/O Susquehanna Beekeepers Association, 501 Red Pump RD, Bel Air, MD 21014 or dhzog@verizon.net***

All Grant Applications are to be postmarked no later than January 31, 2023.

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

E-mail address: _____ Phone: _____

1. Why do you want to keep bees?

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

Applicant Signature _____

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