

Certifications

In order to receive grant funds under this program, the proposed project must conform to the provisions set forth in the Request for Applications (RFA). The following certifications are intended to help H-GAC ensure that these provisions are met. By signing this Application, the person acting on behalf of the Applicant makes the certifications listed below.

1. Authority to Sign Application

The person signing this Application hereby certifies that he/she is the official contact regarding this Application and has authority from the Applicant to sign the Application and that such authority will bind the Applicant in subsequent agreements.

2. Application Contains No False Statements

Applicant certifies that this Application has no false statements and that the Applicant understands that signing this Application with a false statement is a material breach of contract and shall void the submitted Application and any resulting contracts. The Applicant understands that H-GAC will not accept any amendment, revision, addition or alteration to this Application after the final date and time for submission.

3. Governmental Status

Applicant certifies that it is located in the State of Texas and fits within one of the governmental classifications listed below, as determined under state law:

- a. City
- b. County
- c. Public School District, not including universities or post-secondary educational institutions
- d. Other general and special law district with the authority and responsibility for water quality protection or municipal solid waste management, including river authorities
- e. Council of Government

4. Conformance to Standards

The Applicant certifies to the best of their knowledge and ability that the proposed project, including all activities and proposed expenditures in the application, conforms to the eligible category standards and allowable expense and funding standards as set forth in the Request for Applications.

5. Solid Waste Fee Payments

Applicant certifies that it is not delinquent in payment of solid waste disposal fees owed the State of Texas.

6. Consideration of Private Industry

The following certification only applies if the project is under one of the following grant categories:

- a. Source Reduction and Recycling
- b. Citizens' Collection Stations and "Small" Registered Transfer Stations
- c. A demonstration project under the Educational and Training Projects category

In accordance with §361.014(b) of the Texas Health and Safety Code and 30 TAC §330.649(d) a project or service funded under this program must promote cooperation between public and private entities and may not be otherwise readily available or create a competitive advantage over a private industry that provides recycling or solid waste services. Applicant certifies that it has notified private service providers in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Request for Applications and the instructions provided with this application form.

7. Consistency with Regional Solid Waste Management Plan

Applicant certifies to the best of their knowledge and ability that the proposed project is consistent with applicable goals, objectives, and recommendations of H-GAC's adopted regional solid waste management plan.

8. Technical Feasibility

Applicant certifies that it has carefully reviewed its Application and that to the best of their knowledge and ability all activities are technically feasible and can be satisfactorily completed within the grant period as set forth in the Request for Applications.

9. Costs Reasonable and Necessary

Applicant certifies to the best of their knowledge and ability that the proposed project activities in the Application and the expenses outlined in the Budget are reasonable and necessary to accomplish the project objectives, and that the proposed expenses are consistent with the costs of comparable goods and services.

10. Certification by Law Enforcement Programs

As provided by the General Appropriations Act (85th Leg. R.S.), funds may not be expended to any law enforcement agency regulated by Chapter 1701, Texas Occupations Code, unless: (a) the law enforcement agency is in compliance with all rules on Law Enforcement Standards and Education; or (b) the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education certifies in writing that the requesting agency is in the process of achieving compliance with such rules.

11. Debarment from State Contracts

Applicant certifies that it is not barred from participating in state contracts by the State of Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under the provisions of §2155.077, Government Code.