

Empowering Students
Driving Environmental Innovation
Creating Visionary Leaders
Changing the World

National Challenge Mini Grant: A worksheet to help you and your Project:

## Requirements:

- Project goal must be to help create a more sustainable, thriving community. It can focus on any environmental, social or climate-related issue.
- 2. Project must be directed mostly by students. It should be student-led where the youth are the ones creating the positive impact.
- 3. Projects must be complete before the end of June, 2023
- 4. All projects must include a team of students, assisted by an adult adviser
- STEP 1: What is the issue you would like to impact? Why do you want to do a project to impact this issue?
- STEP 2: What is your goal? (How do you want to impact your issue?)
- STEP 3: What do you need to actually do to reach your goal? Consider: How much can you do in one year. What will have the greatest positive impact? Think big, but try to be realistic.
- STEP 4: What do you need to carry out this project idea? (Materials, help, approval, outside experts, equipment, etc...)
- STEP 5: Write down key words or very short phrases that describe your project. Include words and phrases about how you feel about doing this project. These words and phrases will be used to create a proposal for funding.

FOR FUTURE Think about the challenges you will face when trying to reach your goals. Be prepared to defend how you will overcome these challenges.

Now that you have your project idea flushed out, begin planning, talking to the people you need, getting a team together with an adult supervisor, and get prepared to make a strong argument as to why you should receive funding for your idea.