



## **National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council, (NUCFAC)**

### **2009 U.S. Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost-Share Grant Program Request for Proposals**

The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council (NUCFAC) serves to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on the status of the nation's urban and community forests. The Council seeks to establish sustainable urban and community forests, by encouraging communities of all sizes to manage and protect their natural resources which if well managed, can improve the public's health, and well being; economic viability and restore functioning environmental systems for people today and future generations

This year the National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council has revised its grant categories and process to the Forest Service's National Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost Share Grant Program. They anticipate \$ 1 million in funding.

The funds will be divided into two main categories of: **Innovation Grants**, which are to focus on one of the Council's identified priority areas. One or more grants may be awarded out of this category of the \$500,000 available. The **Best Practices Grants** category, has smaller grants that are to address a Council priority list which will address improving existing urban forestry related best practices or develop a needed best practices related to urban forestry activities. A maximum of \$50,000 per application can be awarded from \$500,000 available.

The 2009 U S Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost Share Grant (CFDA 10.675) instructions and application are posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). Applications are due by 11:59 PM, February 17, 2009 to [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) [Click on "Grant Opportunities", then "Browse by agency", Click on second to last agency listed "United States Department of Agriculture," ,sort list by opening date, 2009 Urban Forestry Challenge Cost Share Grant Program Request For Proposals, Click on Tab at the Top "Full Announcement" to view and download instructions and application coversheet and narrative.]

**Use the free Adobe Acrobat 8.1.3 to down load and fill out application.**

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***If interested applicants are not already registered in grants.gov, they are encouraged to register now. The process may take up to two weeks to collect the required information.***

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