Professional Development Grants: Call for Applications

The Society for Ecological Restoration-Rocky Mountains Chapter (SER-RM) is offering professional development grants to support students and practitioners interested in attending workshops or conferences related to ecological restoration.

· Funds may be used for registration, travel, or lodging expenses.
· We expect to award at least 7 grants per year:
  → Practitioners: up to $250
  → Students: up to $500
· Total funding available is $2500 per year.
· Applications accepted and awarded on a first come basis until all available funds have been awarded.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
· Applicant must be a current SER-RM Chapter member.
· Applicant may not have already been awarded a SER-RM Professional Development Grant in the same calendar year.
· Funds must be used within the same calendar year.
· Workshop or conference must align with the SER-RM Chapter mission (Article III of chapter bylaws).

SELECTION CRITERIA
· Priority will be given to applicants who demonstrate intent to present (oral or poster) at the workshop or conference.
· Applicant must explain why the grant is needed to support workshop/conference attendance and document any matching funds available.
· If recipient cannot attend, funds must be returned.
· Recipient agrees to allow SER-RM to announce award on our website and/or other promotional materials, and to provide a photo (i.e., headshot) and presentation title (if applicable) for use in SER-RM posts.
· Recipient must recognize SER-RM and any other organizations that provided funds to support the SER-RM Professional Development Grant program in their presentation or poster.

APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE
1. Name, date, and location of qualified event
2. Total budget for the event (i.e., expected costs of registration, travel, and lodging.)
3. Total requested funds
4. Description of how grant funds will be used and how any remaining expenses for the event will be covered.
5. Narrative (≤1500 char.) describing why the event is important to your professional development and how it aligns with the SER-RM mission (Article III of chapter bylaws, below)
6. Academic or professional resume
7. Complete application form and submit materials at: https://goo.gl/forms/6CiizZBpOfrYLPxmDn1

Visit our website for more information: https://chapter.ser.org/rockymountains/grants/

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