



CALL FOR GRANT PROPOSALS

ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-2019

OTERO CHAPTER - NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY of NEW MEXICO

Mission Statement of the Native Plant Society of New Mexico:

The Native Plant Society of New Mexico is a non-profit organization which strives to educate the public about native plants by promoting knowledge of plant identification, ecology, and uses; fostering plant conservation and the preservation of natural habitats; supporting botanical research; and encouraging the appropriate use of native plants to conserve water, land and wildlife.

The Otero Chapter of the Native Plant Society of New Mexico supports projects involved with the native plants of our state through a grant to university students in the botanical or natural resources fields at New Mexico State University and New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology. This year we have \$2,000 available and the grant(s) may be awarded to one applicant or split among several applicants.

Requirements: The project **must** focus on plants native to the Chihuahuan Desert and mountain ranges within southern New Mexico, such as, but not limited to the following: effects of invasive or non-native plants on native plant communities; environmental factors affecting native plants, such as drought, native pollinators, or effects of climate change on native plants and/or ecosystems; restoration ecology; and conservation biology.

Grant recipients will be required to make a presentation in Alamogordo to the Otero Chapter of the Native Plant Society of New Mexico on their research and to provide a written report summarizing their work and findings at the conclusion of their research or degree program.

Grant Proposal Guidelines

Grant proposal packages due: 5pm, Monday, November 19, 2018

E-mail proposal packet, as a PDF file to: Jen Gruger at jengruger@gmail.com

Proposals will be accepted only from students in their junior, senior or graduate level studies at New Mexico State University or New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology.

Proposals should be a maximum of 5 pages (excluding CV and/or resume and transcripts) and must include the following elements:

1. Title of Project

2. Applicant Information: Name, Physical Address, Telephone Number (indicate if office, home or cell), E-mail Address, university attending, degree program, year of study (i.e., junior, first year Master's, third year Ph.D.) and project advisor or major professor.
3. Interest Statement: Briefly describe your interest in your field of study [botany, ecology, conservation biology or natural resource management], and career goals or how you hope to use your degree.
4. Need Statement: Describe financial reasons why you need an Otero Chapter grant and how it will be used by indicating specifically. Indicate whether you have previously received a NPSNM-Otero Chapter or a NPSNM-State grant.
5. Budget: Provide a detailed budget for the entire project, including other sources of support for your project. Indicate specifically how funds requested from us would be applied within your budget. Grant funds are not intended to cover full-time salaries, tuition or living expenses. Mileage and per diem for field work is allowed.
6. Project Background, including project objectives.
7. Methodology, including analysis (if applicable).
8. Summary of Project Results to date if previous research efforts have been completed.
9. Signature (on bottom of last page).
10. Date (on bottom of last page).
11. Your name and page number in a footer on each page.

Attach your resume or CV and unofficial undergraduate and graduate (if applicable) transcripts (readable scanned copies are acceptable).

Grant Proposal Guidelines are also available at www.npsnm.org/about/chapters/otero/ for requirements.

Award of grants is expected to be announced by Monday, January 14, 2019.