



# Pennsylvania Council of Trout Unlimited 2012 Trout In the Classroom Existing Program Grant

Application Deadline: February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012

PA Council of Trout Unlimited (PATU) offers an existing program grant opportunity to TU Chapters, other conservation-related organizations, and teachers to enhance their Trout In the Classroom (TIC) program.

- ✓ **Existing Program Grants:** This grant is available to schools and organizations that already have a functioning TIC program. Up to \$500 can be requested to purchase aquarium replacement equipment, curriculum support materials, and/or field trip needs.
- ✓ This grant is available to existing TIC programs whose teacher has participated in a TIC training.
- ✓ Please be aware, if you do not have a program partner you are eligible to apply and it will not be held against you

TIC is an interdisciplinary program that increases coldwater conservation education in Pennsylvania schools by raising brook trout, a native coldwater species, from eggs to fingerlings. During the year, each teacher and their program partner tailors the program to fit his or her curricular needs; therefore, each program is unique. TIC has interdisciplinary applications in science, social studies, mathematics, language arts, fine arts, and physical education. The program ends each year with the release of the fingerlings in a state approved waterway. Pennsylvania's statewide TIC program is made possible through a unique partnership between Pennsylvania Council of Trout Unlimited (PATU), Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC) and Pennsylvania Department of Education Environment and Ecology section. This partnership provides curriculum resources, workshops for teachers and program partners, technical support, brook trout eggs and food, and grants.

## **ABOUT TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM EXISTING PROGRAM GRANT**

<b>What?</b>	The grant can provide up to \$500 in funding for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Specific replacement aquarium equipment (See attached list)</li> <li>- Extra TIC support materials (i.e., books, videos, multi-media, etc.)</li> <li>- Field trip expenses, including substitute teacher costs and transportation to field trip locations (<i>hatchery field trips will not be funded</i>)</li> <li>- Food is <u>not</u> an allowable expense</li> </ul>
<b>Who?</b>	<i>The grant applicant can be a school or a 501(c)3 partnering organization.</i>
<b>When?</b>	The 2012-2013 school year
<b>Grantee Conditions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Applicant must have an existing &amp; functioning TIC program</li> <li>- Must complete provided Financial Report stating where money was spent with receipts attached.</li> <li>- Must have attended a TIC training in the past or will attend the TIC training 2012.</li> <li>- Must utilize grant to continue and/or improve current TIC program.</li> <li>- Teacher must complete required PFBC forms (TIC registration, egg confirmation, end-of-year report)</li> </ul>

## PATU TIC GRANT TIMELINE

<b>December 19, 2011</b>	Grant round opens
<b>February 24, 2012</b>	Grant is due; Two copies of the application <b>must</b> be postmarked by this date
<b>Early April 2012</b>	Grant awards announced, Assurance Contracts mailed to grantees
<b>May 11, 2012</b>	Assurance Contracts must be returned
<b>June 22, 2012</b>	Training workshop for Start-up Grantees. One member from the applying organization <u>and</u> the teacher <b>must attend</b> if you have never attended in the past. At the workshop you will receive further direction about your grant, equipment, instructions, and support materials. <b><i>*If you have not attended training in the past, you must attend to be eligible for an existing program grant.</i></b>
<b>September 2012</b>	Grantee will receive funds & equipment for the 2012-2013 school year

## TO APPLY

To be eligible for an **Existing Program Grant** please provide the following:

1. Two copies of completed grant application (must be filled out by teacher and program partner, if applicable) must be postmarked by February 24, 2011.
2. Signature from teacher, principal, and program partner (if applicable)

## CRITERIA OF A GOOD APPLICATION

<b>Did you?</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Did you:</b>
	Grant Application	Complete each section of the application?
	Supply Spreadsheet	List all equipment and cost of each?
	Signatures	Receive signatures from principal, teacher, and program partner (if applicable)?
	Questions	Did you answer all of the questions completely?

## Changes in the Existing Program Grant for 2012-2013

- ❖ Not all replacement equipment will be covered, please see attached sheet for equipment that is eligible.
- ❖ There is a possibility that not all of the requested items will be completely funded
- ❖ If you are ONLY requesting replacement equipment, it will be ordered by PATU, and will be directly mailed to the school; we will no longer be mailing checks for replacement equipment.

## GRANTEE INFORMATION

**GRANTEE NAME & AFFILIATION**

**GRANTEE ORGANIZATION NAME:**

**GRANTEE PHONE NUMBER:**

**GRANTEE ADDRESS:**

**GRANTEE EMAIL:**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT:**

**Did you receive a TIC start-up grant from PATU?**

**What year did you start your TIC program?**

**Signature of principal (required):**

**Did you attend the PFBC/PATU TIC training?**

**Signature of teacher (required):**

**What year and where?**

**OFFICAL ORGANIZATION CHECK WILL BE MADE TO (FOR CURRICULUM SUPPORT/FIELD TRIPS, ETC):**

**Signature of partnering organization (required; if applicable):**

## SCHOOL INFORMATION (IF NOT SAME AS ABOVE)

**TEACHER NAME:**

**SCHOOL NAME:**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT:**

**TEACHER PHONE NUMBER:**

**SCHOOL ADDRESS:**

**TEACHER EMAIL:**

# TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM EXISTING PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

<b>Aquarium Replacement Equipment PATU <u>Will</u> Fund</b>
**Tradewind Chiller**
405 Fluval Canister Filter
Aqua Clear 20 Power Head-Old 201
Freshwater Master Test Kit
Filter Max III Pre Filter (for filter intake pump)
Fluval BioMax Media (cylinders)
Fluval Carbon

- ❖ Equipment will be purchased from That Fish Place, That Pet Place.
- ❖ PATU will order equipment from That Fish Place, That Pet Place/Tradewind Chillers and it will be shipped directly to the school
- ❖ If the grant is approved for curriculum support and field trips, PATU will mail a check for the approved amount and you **MUST** complete a provided Financial Report stating where money was spent with receipts attached
- ❖ \*\* A cash match may be requested by PATU for the Tradewind Chiller

SPECIFY THE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT, FIELD TRIP COSTS AND CURRICULUM MATERIAL TO BE PURCHASED WITH GRANT MONIES. PLEASE LIST EACH ITEM SEPARATELY, INCLUDING QUANTITY AND ESTIMATED COST. ATTACH EXTRA SHEETS IF NECESSARY.		
REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	QUANTITY	COST
<b>TOTAL</b>		
CURRICULUM SUPPORT/FIELD TRIPS <i>(HATCHERY FIELD TRIPS WILL NOT BE FUNDED)</i>	QUANTITY	ESTIMATED COST
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED COST</b>		
<b>TOTAL REQUEST</b>		<b>\$</b>

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**\*\* ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH ROOM BELOW. BE SURE TO APPROPRIATELY LABEL QUESTIONS\*\***

**1. WHY IS THE REQUESTED EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES AND/OR CURRICULUM MATERIALS NEEDED AND HOW WILL YOU USE IT?**

**2. WHAT ORGANIZATION(S) IS PARTNERED WITH THIS CLASSROOM? WHAT ARE THEY DOING AND HOW ARE THEY ENHANCING THE TIC PROGRAM?**

**\*\*\* NOT HAVING A PROGRAM PARTNER WILL NOT AFFECT YOUR ELIGIBILITY\*\*\***

**IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A PROGRAM PARTNER ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HAVING ONE?**

**3. IF YOU REQUESTED FIELD TRIP FUNDING, PLEASE INDICATE THE FIELD TRIP DESTINATION AND ITS PURPOSE. BE SPECIFIC.**

**\*\* PATU WILL NEED RECEIPTS FROM ALL FIELD TRIP EXPENSES\*\***

**PLEASE SEND 2 COPIES OF THIS APPLICATION POSTMARKED BY FEBRUARY 24, 2012 TO:**

**PA COUNCIL OF TROUT UNLIMITED**

**ATTN: SAMANTHA KUTSKEL**

**PO BOX 5148**

**BELLEFONTE, PA 16823**



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