



Letha's Youth Outdoors Fund – Application

The purpose of this fund is to promote youth environmental education through direct contact between children and nature, and to introduce to nature those children who have not had the benefit of previous contact. It is the belief of INPAWS that childhood development will benefit from this connection with nature. Programs that incorporate the importance of native plants and the impacts of invasive plants will be given higher priority.

Save this form and then email (preferred method) completed form to: **LethasFund@INPAWS.org**.
Or, mail to: INPAWS, Attn: Letha's Fund Application, P.O. Box 501528, Indianapolis, IN 46250.

How did you hear about Letha's Fund?

This application is for (please check one):

- a nature-based educational field trip to a natural area.
- a nature-based hands-on project.

Applicant / Contact Person

SPONSORING ORGANIZATION OR SCHOOL CORPORATION:

NAME:

SPECIFIC CLASS OR GROUP (include age or grade level):

TITLE:

STREET ADDRESS:

NUMBER OF STUDENT PARTICIPANTS:

CITY, STATE, ZIP:

COUNTY OF STUDENT RESIDENCE:

PHONE NUMBER:

PROPOSED DATE(S) OF ACTIVITY(S):

EMAIL:

NAME & LOCATION OF SITE ACTIVITIES:

DATE:

LENGTH OF ACTIVITIES / PROGRAM:

HAVE YOU APPLIED PREVIOUSLY?

DISTANCE TRAVELLED:

Funding Request: Identify total costs of the activity as well as what is requested from Letha's Fund.

| | Letha's Fund Request | Total Cost |
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| TRANSPORTATION (Driver/Bus): | | |
| NATURALIST/LEADER FEES: (we do not fund chaperone fees) | | |
| OTHER (Please specify): | | |
| TOTAL: | | |
| COST PER STUDENT: | | |

Please describe your efforts, if any, to work with the service provider(s) to estimate costs, and if applicable, receive reduced rates. Also describe how costs beyond the Letha's Fund request are being funded:

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE PURPOSE & GOALS OF YOUR ACTIVITY:

WHO ARE THE KEY PERSONNEL? (Please list title and qualifications of people providing leadership, education, training, etc.):

WHY WAS THIS PARTICULAR SITE CHOSEN?

For the following 3 sections, use as much space as necessary and allow the form to expand to additional pages.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENT. Describe the program and explain your plans in detail. The narrative should identify the following: program focus, goals and anticipated benefits for the students. It should be clear how the activity(s) meets the Letha's Fund goal of connecting children to nature and native plants.

OUTCOMES. Describe how you will identify or measure success of the program and activities – i.e., how will it be demonstrated that students formed a connection to nature. List any applicable product, such as a report, a take-home craft, classroom discussion, etc. If project is funded, we will expect to receive a sample of these products.

BARRIERS/NEED. Describe the exposure to nature this group of children has. Describe what barriers exist for connecting them to nature. How will your proposal overcome these barriers?