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Dear Felisha,

Thank you for submitting your Gulf Coast RC&D Council Grant Application . It was successfully received. We will contact you before October 1st on the status of your application.

You will be contacted if any additional information is required.

Sincerely,

Gulf Coast RC&D Council
Sarah Wooten - Programs Manager
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Applicant Information
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Organization: Baldwin County Commission Department of Archives and History
Form Name: Gulf Coast RC&D Council Grant Application
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Project Name: Baldwin County First Settlers Brick Paver Program.

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2025 Grant Applications

APRIL 1ST – JUNE 30TH



Grant applications for the 2025 year are open until June 1!

Email, call, or visit www.gulfcoast-red.org for questions!



Application

**Baldwin County First Settlers Brick Paver Program.
Process: Gulf Coast RC&D Council Grant Application**

Applicant:

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RC&D Grant Application

The RC&D Grant Application is intended to help organizations make Alabama a better place to live, work, and play. You must be a 501c3 Non-Profit Organization or unit of government/public entity (i.e. school, park, fire department, senior center, etc.) to be eligible for funding. The grant application deadline is June 30, 2024; no late applications will be accepted.

RC&D's grant minimum is \$5,000.00 and the maximum is \$15,000.00. The RC&D Council gives grants on a reimbursement basis; therefore, you will receive your funding once the project is complete, and the correct documentation has been submitted as agreed upon in the cooperative agreement. No purchases are eligible for reimbursement if purchased before October 1, 2024, and/or the cooperative agreement has been signed.

If your application is approved for funding, you will be able to begin your project on October 1, 2024, and/or when the cooperative agreement has been signed. A grant agreement must be signed within 30 days of being issued to the grantee. You have until August 1, 2025, to complete your project.

To view Gulf Coast RC&D's Grant Priorities, Requirements, and Restrictions click **here**.

All programs and assistance of RC&D Councils are available without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, and marital or family status.

Directions - how to apply for funding:

- All applications must comply with the RC&D Council's mission and comply with all federal and state laws.
- The application must be filled out in full.
- Required Fields: House and Senate District numbers
- <https://www.sos.alabama.gov/alabama-votes/elected-official-map>.
- Submit your application before the grant window closes - no late applications will be accepted.

Name of Project

Baldwin County First Settlers Brick Paver Program.

Address of Project Location*

51233 State Highway 225, Stockton, AL 36579

Funding Category*

- ☐ General Fund
☒ Educational Fund

Which RC&D Council(s) will your project impact?*

Select the RC&D Council to which you are applying. Select any additional RC&D Councils that your project will affect.

If you are applying to the Association a minimum of 3 councils must be selected for this question.

- ☐ Ala-Tom RC&D
☐ AMRV RC&D
☐ Cawaco RC&D
☐ Coosa Valley RC&D
☒ Gulf Coast RC&D
☐ Mid-South RC&D
☐ Northwest RC&D
☐ Tombigbee RC&D
☐ Wiregrass RC&D

County*

Baldwin

Please list any additional counties your project might cover*

Type "0" if no other counties will be covered.

0

House District*

Find District: <https://www.sos.alabama.gov/alabama-votes/elected-official-map>

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Senate District*

Find District: <https://www.sos.alabama.gov/alabama-votes/elected-official-map>

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Project Category*

- ☐ Senior Citizen Project
- ☐ Education Project
- ☐ Community Project
- ☐ Disaster/Health or First Responder Project
- ☐ Technology Project
- ☐ Business Improvement Project
- ☐ Job Training or Creation
- ☒ Tourism, Recreational, or Park Project
- ☐ Conservation of Natural Resources

Project Description*

Please thoroughly describe your project and the need you are trying to meet. Also, explain here what you plan to purchase with the funding.

This project aims to explore the families that settled in Baldwin County through the Baldwin County First Settlers Memorial Brick program. This initiative not only narrates the history of Baldwin County's formation but also highlights the stories of its people—from the first settlers to the migrated farmers. Each individual had a story, a dream, and made an impact. The brick paver program is just the beginning, with generational stories being passed down and still told by descendants living here today. The brick pavers will honor these individuals, who form the roots of our heritage and our story.

The project will be executed in four phases. Phase II will cover the remaining area of Eastern Shore and South Baldwin County. Ultimately, the project will encompass all areas of Baldwin County, commemorating those who established its municipalities and the families who were among the earliest settlers. Brick pavers engraved with the names of Baldwin County's first settlers will be placed in Baldwin County Plaza, a designated area in the shape of Baldwin County made of brick pavers, located at the main picnic pavilion area at Baldwin County's Bicentennial Park in Stockton, Alabama.

Baldwin County has a rich history of diversity and community support. Around the turn of the century, immigrants from various regions of the United States and other countries began populating Baldwin County. These diverse groups have made Baldwin County a melting pot, contributing to the richness of its history and the development of its agricultural, commercial, manufacturing, tourism, and fishing industries, helping Baldwin County to prosper and persevere through challenges and economic depressions.

Baldwin County is home to people with a wide variety of backgrounds and heritage. The Baldwin County First Settlers Brick Paver Program aims to preserve the legacies left by our ancestors. The first phase of this project merely scratches the surface of the rich history of the people of our county.

What is/are the objective(s) of the project?*

Please explain what goal(s) you hope to achieve by completing this project.

The Baldwin County Commission, Department of Archives and History aims to engage residents and visitors through educational programs, community activities, and statewide initiatives that are designed to teach, entertain, and inspire. This project is created to not only tell the story of how Baldwin County came to be but to also share the stories of its people—from the first settlers to the migrated farmers. Every individual has a story, a dream, and an impact. The brick paver program is just the beginning, highlighting these stories handed down through generations by descendants who still live here today. The brick pavers honor these individuals, forming the roots of our heritage and our collective story of us.

The First Settlers Brick Paver Program will provide students, residents, and visitors with an affordable way to explore Baldwin County's natural resources while gaining deeper insight into its history. This program aims to share the story of our ethnic roots, illustrating who we are and how we have evolved to where we are today.

The project addresses an existing public need and offers a valuable benefit. The program is inclusive and accessible to everyone, regardless of ability. The Baldwin Plaza, located at Bicentennial Park in Stockton, Alabama, is open to the public with free admission. Visitors can explore the park and the plaza at their own pace. Additionally, the plaza will enhance the Bicentennial Park Field Trip program available to students from Monday to Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., from September to April each academic year. This project is a proactive step to preserve the diverse heritage of our community, providing a tangible "hands-on" experience that will enhance educational opportunities for Baldwin County schoolchildren and those who are young at heart.

Media Statement*

A media statement includes a brief summary of the project to be used in press releases and social media posts. This should not exceed 3 sentences.

The Baldwin County First Settlers Brick Paver Program honors the individuals who shaped our vibrant community, ensuring their names and legacies are preserved. Located at Baldwin County Bicentennial Park in Stockton, Alabama, this initiative celebrates the rich heritage of our county. Join us in commemorating those who made Baldwin County what it is today.

Projected Project End Date*

Please provide the closest estimated date your project will end, and project documentation will be able to be submitted to close out your grant.

Please note you will have an opportunity to update this date throughout your grant process.

July 18,2025

Grant Amount Requesting from RC&D*

10,000

Total Estimated Cost of Project*

40,000

If your project is not fully funded will you be able to complete your project?*

Yes

Project Budget Request

List your projected budget for your project.

Budget Items -- should be things you will be purchasing with your grant funding. Be vaguely specific when listing your budget items as we know things come up and budget items to support the same project might change.

***For Example -- If you are needing to purchase gardening equipment, list "gardening equipment" as your budget item vs listing you need 4 shovels and 3 wheelbarrows. Use the Project Description box/question (above) on the application form to describe and explain what you will be purchasing with your funding.

Total Amount Requesting from RC&D -- This should equal the total amount of money you are requesting from RC&D.

Please note that once a budget item is submitted with the application, and if your application is approved, you will be required to show proof of payment for each budget item listed to be eligible to get full reimbursement.

Grant minimum is \$5,000.00

Grant maximum is \$15,000.00

Project Budget Request Table

Requested Budget Item

Amount Requesting

Requested Budget Item 1

100 Brick Pavers @ \$100

10,000

Total Amount Requesting from RC&D

10000

Total Cost of Project

Total Estimated Cost of Project -- should be how much the project will cost in total, not just what you are requesting from RC&D.

***For Example -- You want to purchase playground equipment. The total cost of the equipment is \$50,000.00. This should be the amount you specify for this question.

Total Cost of Project Table

Budget Item - Total Cost of Project

Total Cost of Project Amount

Budget Item 1 - Total Cost of Project

400 Brick Pavers @ \$100

40,000.00

Total Cost of Project

40000

Authorized Signature*

By electronically signing this application the applicant applying for funding agrees the project they are requesting funding for can be completed in the fiscal year in which they are applying. The applicant also understands no funds will be reimbursable if spent prior to October 1, 2024.