

The NDDEQ encourages local governments to apply for abandoned auto funds

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (NDDEQ) Solid Waste Program is accepting applications for project funding from the North Dakota Abandoned Auto Fund. Units of government, including state entities, counties, cities, and municipalities, can apply for reimbursement toward the cost of collecting and recycling abandoned automobiles and large equipment. The program also provides technical assistance to communities in cleaning stockpiles of major appliances and other scrap metal. Operations that have benefited in the past include landfills, local public health units, cities and counties.

Advantages to this program including reducing health hazards, improving the appearance of the landscape, and recycling metals. The local entity sees enhanced property function, unwanted metal is recycled and put to good use, and towing and transport companies are paid for their contribution.

The North Dakota 66th legislative assembly designated \$250,000 for this benefit. Approximately \$100,000 is still available and must be utilized by June 30, 2021.

Please visit <https://deq.nd.gov/WM/AbandonedMotorVehicle/> for instructions on how to apply.

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