



## **Missouri Bluebird Society Nest Box Grant Program**

The Missouri Bluebird Society is a 501(c) 3 not-for-profit organization dedicated to conservation of bluebirds and other native cavity nesting songbirds, and to educational projects that would be of benefit to these native birds. A limited number of nest boxes each year will be awarded to assist in projects that help promote the objective of the Missouri Bluebird Society (MOBS). These projects must include establishing and enhancing nest box trails on public lands within the state of Missouri, and have as one of its goals the education of the local community about Bluebirds and other native Cavity Nesting Species. These grants start at five sets of nest boxes and poles per grant, on a “matching basis”, with MOBS providing five nest box/pole sets when applicant provides an equal number of nest box/ pole sets. Whether or not the matching box requirement can be met by refurbishing existing boxes on an established trail will be at the discretion of the MOBS Board of Directors. Further, applicants must agree to the following provisions:

1. Applicant’s nest boxes must be constructed in a fashion and design recommended and approved by MOBS.
2. Trail Location must be approved by MOBS.
3. The applicant agrees to present a 15-30 minute program to their organization or another community organization about bluebirds and other native cavity –nesting birds and the need for monitored bluebird trails. MOBS will assist in providing materials for this presentation.
4. The applicant agrees to take responsibility for seeing that the nest box trail is adequately monitored and agrees to take all necessary precautions and maintenance measures to ensure that non-native species are not allowed to inhabit and reproduce in the nest boxes.
5. The applicant agrees to turn in a completed MOBS nest box monitoring form each year after nesting season reporting nesting activity on the trail.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide and attach the following information for review by the MOBS Board of Directors:

1. Applicant’s name, address, county, telephone number, and email address (if any).
2. Name of any organization involved and contact information for the organization.
3. Purpose of the proposed project- particularly if the nest box trail is a part of an existing project that encompasses other goals.
4. Location of the project and description of the habitat of the trail or proposed trail.
5. Description of how the project will be implemented (including a time line).
6. Description of predator control measures that are planned and how they will be implemented.
7. Other sources of funding for the project.
8. Plans and details for the required presentation ( i.e. to whom and when)
9. Please attach a basic description of the “matching box /pole sets” the applicant will provide ( plans or photos are helpful)
10. Number of grant boxes requested.

**Please mail this form, along with the above information to:  
Missouri Bluebird Society/ PO Box 105830/ Jefferson City, MO 65110**

It is the responsibility of grant recipients to make arrangements with MOBS to claim their grant boxes & poles from Jefferson City, MO—MOBS cannot ship or deliver grant nest box/pole sets.