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Pete Ricketts, Governor

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To: Nebraska Environmental Quality Council

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Land Management Division

Subject: Litter Reduction and Recycling Grant Program
2019 Funding Percentage Allocations

The Litter Reduction and Recycling Act states: "The department shall allocate and distribute funds in percentage amounts to be determined by the Council on an annual basis." Each year, the Environmental Quality Council establishes the percentage of how the funds will be allocated for each grant category.

The Department's recommended percentage allocations for the 2019 grant year, along with the funding amounts requested, are as follows:

Category	2019 eligible requests	2018 eligible requests
Recycling	52.5% \$1,443,698	59.8% \$ 2,136,378
Public Education	43.6% \$1,196,857	34.4% \$1,227,618
Cleanup	3.9% \$ 106,220	5.8% \$ 207,588
Totals	\$2,746,775	\$3,571,584

Note: The 2018 amounts are requests, and not necessarily the amount that will be available for award. The amount available will be known in late November.

These recommended percentages are based on the actual applications received for the 2018 and 2019 grant years. For the 2018 grant year, the Council granted the Department the ability to adjust these percentages by up to 15% if it determined it was necessary to enable the funding of good projects. The Department asks and recommends that it again be allowed to adjust these percentages by up to 10% for the 2019 grant year if warranted.

Below are the actual percentages and award amounts for 2018:

Category		Award Amounts
Recycling	46%	\$ 603,838
Public Education	50%	\$ 651,963
Cleanup	4%	\$ 50,569
Actual Awards	100%	\$1,306,370

