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HELP KEEP LINCOLN & LANCASTER COUNTY CLEAN *Cleanup mini-grants available*

Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Beautiful (KLLCB) is offering a limited number of mini-grants as an incentive for cleaning up litter in Lincoln and Lancaster County. Organizations of all kinds, businesses, families, and rural communities may apply.

Cleanup mini-grants ranging from \$25 -\$250 are available for the cleanup of litter on public land areas including waterways, shorelines, roadsides, community streets and alleyways in Lincoln and Lancaster County. Applicants must identify and propose a specific area for cleanup, and indicate why that area was selected.

Those interested in applying for a cleanup mini-grant should apply on-line at <http://www.lincoln.ne.gov> (keyword: KLLCB, then click on “cleanup grants”). Applications must be submitted and approved prior to conducting a cleanup, must include litter pickup and recycling components, and may not be on State or County Adopt-A-Highway miles. A final report, with photos, will be required.

Mini-grants are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Deadline for project completion is November 1, 2010. Mini-grants are awarded based on the size of the area and amount of litter to be cleaned up. Trash bags are provided and safety vests are available for loan.

Cleanups completed in May will be part of Keep America Beautiful’s Great American Cleanup, the nation’s largest organized annual community improvement program, in which millions of volunteers across the nation work to create healthier, safer and more livable community environments.

Cleanup mini-grants are funded by a grant from the Litter Reduction and Recycling Fund administered by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality. For more information, contact KLLCB: lerickson@lincoln.ne.gov or 441-8035.