

Is this something that comes up each year?

This is the initial offering of this grant. Any additional future household hazardous waste collection grant opportunities will be based on funding availability.

Does the grant application need to be submitted solely using the online portal?

A grant application via the portal must be submitted, however supplemental materials (e.g. pro-forma statements, site plans, etc.) may be submitted via email to lillian.zemba@mass.gov.

Is there any additional permitting necessary with the MADEP for temporary storage of the HHW materials?

If collection activities are to be proposed at/on the permitted property of a TSDF, this would require a permit modification under 310 CMR 30.852. The Department would determine the extent of the permit modification (i.e., Class 1, 2 or 3 mod) based on the proposed activity and the potential impacts on existing operations. This may require the truck management plan, contingency plan (day of events), traffic flow and site map to be updated to include the location of the center. If the proposed HHW Event or Center activity were to take place directly adjacent to a TSDF but outside the Facility's Site Plan, a Facility license Mod may not be necessary. A proposed collection center adjacent to a TSDF or at another location would simply require a permit for [a collection center for hazardous products](#).

Would MassDEP consider extending the grant application deadline by an additional one to two weeks?

Based on this feedback, MassDEP has agreed to extend the grant deadline by two weeks. The revised timeline has been updated in the grant guidelines and is outlined below:

Answers posted to website	July 22, 2026
Application deadline	August 21, 2026 (11:59 p.m. ET)
Award finalists announced	October 2, 2026
Anticipated Grant Contracts executed (pending agreement on grant scope and contract)	November 6, 2026