



## CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

East Bay Chapter

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### 2021 Myrtle Wolf Student Research Grant Announcement

**Background:** The mission of the California Native Plant Society (CNPS) is to conserve California native plants and their natural habitats; and increase understanding, appreciation, and horticultural use of native plants. The East Bay Chapter, which serves Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, offers the Myrtle Wolf Student Research Grant in honor of Myrtle Wolf (1913-2012), a longtime Oakland teacher, who on retirement, devoted herself to California's native flora. As a member of CNPS for over 30 years, she worked on annual plant sales and promoting the use of native plants for landscaping and was made a CNPS Fellow in 1987. Myrtle Wolf also supported the UC Botanical Garden, which named its library in her honor in 2000.

**Subject Matter:** The Myrtle Wolf Student Research Grant supports research on all aspects of the plant science of California native plants such as horticulture, taxonomy, biochemical processes, diseases, and interactions with the environment.

**Who may apply:** Applicants must be registered students, undergraduate or graduate, at an accredited institution of higher learning located in Alameda or Contra Costa County.

**Amount:** The maximum grant size will be \$1000. Actual amounts are at the discretion of EBCNPS.

**Permitted Grant Expenses:** Awarded grant money is to be spent on research expenses including project travel within California (\$0.58 per mile), excluding travel for conferences or communication; equipment (under \$500); software; supplies such as laboratory or field materials; and space fees (e.g., greenhouse fees). Grant money is not to be used for indirect cost, stipends, or salaries.

**Application Guidelines:** The application shall include: A) project objective, rationale, and methods, B) budget and budget justification, C) resume or CV, D) letter of approval from a faculty sponsor, and E) statement of permit(s) needed, if any, to conduct the project. Excluding items C, D, and E, applications must not exceed two pages.

**Proposal Deadline:** Applications must be emailed or postmarked by Friday December 11, 2020.

**Review Criteria:** EBCNPS proposal evaluation criteria are: the project's potential to advance the current state of knowledge, suitability of the methodology, suitability of the researcher for the project, and degree to which the project supports the CNPS mission stated above, especially for taxa native to Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. EBCNPS encourages non-traditional applicants, notwithstanding the eligibility requirements.

**Requirements:** Recipients obtain required permits before a grant is awarded, acknowledge the Myrtle Wolf Student Research Grant in communications that result from grant support, and provide report on results to the Chapter in the form of a two-paragraph summary for publication in the **Bay Leaf** (chapter newsletter).

**Contact information:** mail or email applications and direct questions to:

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