green ribbon initiative  
NATIVE Plant materialS distribution plan

MATERIALS EXCHANGE RATES

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# Overview

## Project Background and Description

This Native Plant Materials Distribution Plan arises from the Green Ribbon Initiative’s (GRI) Native Plant Materials Strategic Development Plan. Many individual and group members within the GRI’s Oak Openings Landowner Registry (OOLR) express interest in ecological restoration, rain garden, butterfly garden, and similar projects on their properties. These private lands projects contribute to the overall conservation objectives of the GRI. However, due to the lack of commercially available high diversity, local ecotype (HDLE) plant material, many registry members are finding it extremely difficult to implement their plans. One of the objectives set in the Native Plant Materials Strategic Development Plan is to make available appropriate HDLE plant materials for these projects.

## Exchange Rates for Native Plant Materials

Awardees of GRI native plant materials will be assigned an in-kind contribution requirement based on the scales below. Awardees will be expected to meet these requirements prior to receiving plant materials. Awardees will be responsible for documenting their hours and reporting to the Native Plant Working Group (NPWG) evaluation committee.

## Requirements for Service Hours

* Up to 75% of required hours may be from past banked hours, if accrued within 3 years prior to application date
* Service hours may be accrued from any GRI agency
* Only natural resources service hours will be counted toward plant materials exchanges
* Time spent preparing your planting site can count towards 50% of your service hour requirements

# Seeds

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| Diversity | Species | Hours per Acre |
| Low | 1-20 | 30 |
| Medium | 21-50 | 45 |
| High | 51+ | 60 |

# potted plants

The service hour exchange rate will be 1 hours per $20 worth of plant materials

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| Plant Container Size | Dollar Value |
| Plug | $2 |
| Quart | $6 |
| 1 Gallon | $15 |
| 2+ Gallon | $30 |