

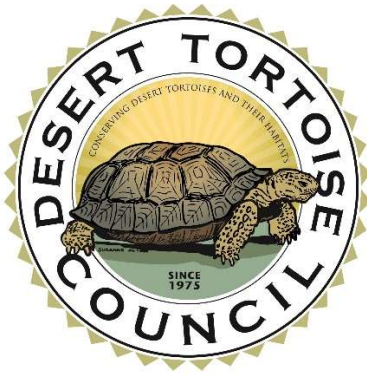


Request for Proposals: Innovations for Conservation of Desert Tortoise Populations or Habitat

The Desert Tortoise Council announces a request for proposals (RFP) for a grant focused on implementation of or research into the efficacy of on-the-ground conservation actions that benefit desert tortoise populations and/or habitats. The Council seeks to fund an organization or individual that is implementing *in situ* conservation efforts, such as habitat restoration, subsidized predator control, tortoise-excluding road fencing, or other population augmentation or habitat improvement actions, or conducting research into such actions. An award of \$9,000 is available for a conservation effort or research project in this regard. The project must be implemented and completed in 2024 and conducted in the Mojave Desert within the Southern California Edison (SCE) service area (see attached map). Applicants should submit the attached grant request cover form and include a proposal that includes a project description, a detailed budget, professional references, and resumes of key project participants (see checklist). A report of research outcomes must be submitted to the Desert Tortoise Council within 30 days following conclusion of the project. The grant recipient must also agree to provide a presentation at a future Desert Tortoise Council Annual Symposium. The application window begins on January 16th, 2024, and proposals must be received by February 29th, 2024. Grant request proposals can be sent to grants@deserttortoise.org as a PDF.



SCE service area map



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Grant Request Cover Form

Name and title of person submitting the application:

Professional affiliation (if any) and contact information:

Names of participants, with identification of the lead investigator responsible for the final product:

Grant Request Checklist:

- Project description (limited to 1,200 words)
 - Goals and objectives
 - Geographic location
 - Specific design of the study or action
 - Hypotheses to be tested (if a research project)
 - Success criteria
 - Statement of deliverables (published research and/or report) that will be submitted to the Board and Council
 - Schedule for the project/action, including deliverables
 - Permits or authorizations required
 - Description of benefit to desert tortoises, their habitats, or other conservation objectives
- Detailed budget
 - Total amount of funding requested and a description of other funding sources
 - Specific timeline for funding requests
- Professional references
- Résumés of key participants