



Newsletter



Scholarships Available

The Cheyenne County Conservation District and the Herman Antholz Memorial Fund are sponsoring two \$250 scholarships for any College Junior or Senior currently enrolled at a 4-year accredited college majoring in Agriculture or Wildlife.

Qualifying students must be residents of Cheyenne County.

Please contact us at 785-332-2341 ext 101 or stop by the office for a scholarship application.

Cost-Share Sign Up Announced

The Cheyenne County Conservation District announces signup period for the FY2012 Water Resources Cost-Share Program and the Non-Point Source Pollution Cost-Share Program, June 13th – 24th, 2011.

Funding is provided by the Division of Conservation, Kansas Department of Agriculture, through appropriations from the Kansas Water Plan.

The Cheyenne County Conservation District serves as the local liaison and administers the programs and contracts for our county. The District Board sets priority ranking criteria, cost-share practices, cost-share rates and contract limits. Each application will be ranked using criteria that will improve water quality. Contracts are between the landowner and the State of Kansas.

The following practices are approved for 70% cost-share, not to exceed the county average cost: Critical Area Planting, Diversions, Cross-Fencing, Livestock Pipelines,

Pumping Plant for Water Supply, Rangeland Planting, Spring Development, Terraces, Terrace Restoration, Livestock Water Well, Livestock Tanks, Windbreak Establishments and Windbreak Renovation (includes: Fabric Weed Barrier and Drip Irrigation Systems). Practices with 50% cost-share: On-Site Wastewater System Upgrades and Rangeland Planting Re-seeding.

Stop by the Conservation District Office on West Hwy 36 in St. Francis to sign up. Our office hours are 8:00 a.m.— 4:30 p.m. CST.

Applications will be reviewed and approved by the Conservation District Board on July 5th.





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The Cheyenne County Conservation District is a governmental subdivision of state of Kansas, operated by a locally elected board of supervisors. Our agency is housed in the same USDA building as the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) and Farm Service Agency (FSA).

Board meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month and are open to the public. If you wish to meet with the Board, please notify the office and a time will be reserved for you on the agenda.

The Conservation District is your voice in conservation matters. Contact us if you have any conservation concerns.

All services offered by the Cheyenne County Conservation District and NRCS are available without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion or handicap.

Non-Profit Organization

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Permit #67

Walk in Hunting Program: If the dry 2010 fall and winter or 2011 spring storms have you planting milo, recoup some of your losses by enrolling in the WIHA program. Signup deadline is July 15. Contact Josh Williams, KS Dept of Wildlife and Parks at 785-462-7993.

Annual Spot Check Tour: The Cheyenne County Conservation District will select one randomly drawn cost-shared practice from each of the past 10 years programs to inspect on the Annual Spot Check Tour held in August. Landowners will be notified if they have been selected.

Contour Farming of Terraces: Tillage over terraces that have been cost-shared within the past ten years under the State Water Resource C/S Program will require pay back of cost-share funds. If you have tilled over old terraces and request cost-share funds to rebuild them, the board will take that into consideration when prioritizing your cost-share request. If the terraces tilled over are on Highly Erodible Land and part of your compliance plan, then NRCS will have some questions for you. In a No-Till situation, landowners or operators must notify the Conservation Office of their intentions and land legal.



For Sale: The Conservation District has on hand year round, fabric weed barrier (6' and 4' wide), drip irrigation, deer repellent sticks, tree shelters and flags for sale. Anyone, urban or rural, may purchase these items from the Conservation District. Funds raised from sale of these items sponsor education activities.