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Wolf Coexistence Quest **Project Proposal**

This Project Proposal will help you map out your project. Throughout the Quest, you have learned about Wolf Coexistence and how you can help the relationship between wolf and humans. Now it's time to put that knowledge to work!

Complete this Project Proposal carefully as a team. If your class or team is tackling more than one issue, you will need to work together to develop one proposal that addresses all of your needs.

Once it is complete, <u>submit it through the Wolf Coexistence Quest website in the SOLVE section</u>. The team at the Captain Planet Foundation will review your proposal to determine whether your project will receive a grant to help cover some of the costs of the project. If your proposal is approved, you will also be recognized as official Wolf Coexistence Heroes once the project is complete.

School Name:	
School Address:	
Teacher Name:	
Class:	
Individual Quest Name (on the Educator Dashboard):	
Grant Request:	



Design

Describe the project you have designed to help wolf coexistence. Remember, strong projects are SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Timely). Be sure to tell us how the project meets the needs of your species and how it benefits the place where you are working. How will it impact people who visit the place? Please include any drawings or maps to help explain your design.



Materials & Budget

As part of your design, make a list of the materials needed so you can develop a budget for your project. A budget helps you figure out how much your project will cost. In the table below, list your materials and the estimated cost for these materials. Then add all these up to estimate your total PROJECT cost.

Item	Quantity & Cost	Estimated Cost
For example: Wood (cedar) for raised garden bed	(4) 8' boards - \$12 per board	\$48
TOTAL PROJECT COST		\$



Grant Proposal & Fundraising

Now that you have a budget and know how much your project will cost, you'll need a plan to raise these funds. When you submit this proposal, you will be eligible to receive a GRANT through the Captain Planet Foundation for up to \$150. A grant is a contribution of cash towards your project and is "granted" because the funder believes in your project plan and its power to make meaningful change!

BUT, this grant will not cover all of your expenses. You will need to show that you plan to raise at least 25% (or ¼) of the costs you budgeted. These are called MATCHING FUNDS. Matching funds can include: 1) Cash from other sources; 2) Donated items that have cash value (such as tools, seeds or plants from a local nursery); or 3) "Sweat equity" (which is unpaid labor you are able to get donated to the project).

In the table below, show how you plan to raise the funds to cover your expenses.

Item	Estimated Cost	Match Source (if any)	Grant Request
For example: Wood for garden bed	\$48	Getting \$20 gift card donated from local lumber yard	\$48 - 20 = \$28
	TOTAL COST	TOTAL MATCH	TOTAL REQUEST

Budget Narrative:

How much are you requesting from the Captain Planet Foundation? Describe (in one paragraph) how you will use these funds.



Communications

Do you need to get permission for your project? If so, who do you need to ask? (If you do need permission, include a signed note from the person, organization, or business that explains who is giving permission, what they are giving you permission to do, and why they are agreeing to it.)

It is very important to be able to clearly communicate what your team is doing and why it is important. This is sometimes called a "pitch." Write a one-paragraph pitch describing your project and its importance.

Describe the plan to capture the story of your project (photos, video, etc.) and how you are going to share that work with others.



Doing the Work

Finally, it's time to describe your plan for completing the project. Explain the what, when, who, why, and how of your SMART project plan. What is the order and timeline of tasks to be completed? How will tasks be assigned and managed? When will work be done (during school hours or outside of school hours)? What tools and other supplies are needed, and where will you get them? If you need extra volunteers, how many and who? Are there other community partners you could be working with? Who and how can you coordinate with them?

Taking Care

Successful projects are ones that last for a long time. Describe your plan for the maintenance of your project after you are finished.



Checking for Success

You are designing and implementing your project. How will you know if your project is successful? What are some ways you can monitor your project and collect data about its effects? How will you decide if and what changes need to be made to your design so that it is more helpful?



Submit Your Plan

Once you have completed your Project Proposal, submit it through the Wolf Coexistence Quest platform using the form at the end of the SOLVE section. Your proposal will be reviewed by the Project Hero Team at the Captain Planet Foundation, and you will be notified about the funding decision within 2-4 weeks. Proposals that describe are eligible to receive up to a \$150 Hero Grant to support your project.