



## Time-Banking Frequently Asked Questions

- Why should Love Your Community (LYC) teams participate in the time-banking program?
  - Time-banking provides an excellent opportunity to raise funds for beautification and environmental improvement projects.
- Can a registered LYC team begin time-banking hours at any point during the year?
  - Yes. To begin participating in the time-banking program, teams simply turn in a completed report form for eligible activities.
- Do time-banked hours expire after 12 months?
  - No, hours do not expire and can roll over from year to year.
- Is there a monthly maximum of hours a team can submit?
  - No, teams may bank as many hours as they choose each month.
- Can I earn hours for my participating LYC team by assisting another participating LYC team?
  - Yes, team members can earn hours for any eligible activity in which they participate. However, those hours will only count for your LYC team and the other participating team will not receive credit for your hours. Therefore, volunteer hours for separate teams must be reported on separate time-banking report forms.
- When are grants awarded to eligible teams?
  - Teams can “cash-in” time-banked hours when a desired grant award has been met. Grants are awarded when the required project narrative has been received and approved by the Mobile County Commission. There are no set dates for awards.
- Is the grant a loan?
  - No, the grant awards are not loans. Teams are not required to pay back any funds that are awarded as long as the proposed project is implemented.
- What happens if the proposed project is not implemented as planned?
  - Any changes to a team’s proposed time-banking project should be reported to the LYC Coordinator as soon as possible.

For additional questions, please contact LYC Coordinator Evelyn DeAngelo at (251) 444-7144 or [coordinator@loveyourcommunity.com](mailto:coordinator@loveyourcommunity.com).

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