



Prince George's County

STORMWATER STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

APPLICANT Neighborhood Design Center

PROJECT Stormwater Savvy

GRANT AMOUNT \$79,308

PROJECT SUMMARY In 2015, the Neighborhood Design Center (NDC) was awarded a grant to conduct the Stormwater Savvy Program. This program assists community groups, small municipalities, schools, and faith based organizations in creating action-oriented design plans to clean water and engage the community in the process and their landscape.

NDC worked with seven groups - schools, neighborhood parks, a church, and a Homeowner's Association - representing a vastly diverse cross-section of the County to develop individualized design plans and recommendations. Each of these groups had varying needs and stormwater issues on their property that needed to be addressed.

NDC held two kinds of community meetings: design workshops

and design development presentations. The workshops consisted of a discussion about suggested stormwater solutions, followed by a series of group activities to generate ideas for the redesigns. After NDC staff designers synthesized this input and generated an initial concept design, they held a follow up meeting to present the design ideas and get feedback. In total, NDC held 13 events and workshops to engage 333 citizens.

Design plans developed will now be implemented by the community. The groups associated with a municipality may work with the local government to implement the projects from the designs. The other groups are actively recruiting, organizing, and applying for funds in order to implement the projects.

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