



Prince George's County

STORMWATER STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

APPLICANT

Union Bethel AME Church

PROJECT

Clean Water for Union Bethel AME Church

GRANT AMOUNT

\$128,381

PROJECT SUMMARY

In 2015, Union Bethel AME (UBAME) Church earned a grant to participate in the Alternative Compliance Program offered by Prince George's county. The program is an elective partnership between Prince George's County and qualified tax-exempt faith-based organizations or other nonprofit organizations to improve water quality in the County by treating and reducing polluted stormwater runoff.

UBAME rehabilitated and expanded an existing stormwater best management practice (BMP), and conducted several workshops and outreach events.

In an effort to reduce nearby erosion and prevent sedimentation of the BMP (an infiltration trench), UBAME Church added a gravel diaphragm for pretreatment and a level spreader.

UBAME partnered with the People for Change Coalition, the Center for Watershed Protection, and Bethel House Inc. to develop and implement the project's environmental and community goals. Their collaborative efforts not only resulted in less runoff and cleaner water around the church property, but also helped community members become better equipped for environmental careers.

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