Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake

Watershed Literacy Vacation Bible School Training

$51,010

In 2016, Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake (IPC) received an award to engage faith-based organizations in stormwater management solutions, through bible school trainings and informational workshops designed to connect the organizations to existing stormwater management resources.

IPC worked with six faith-based organizations concentrated in Prince George’s South County to carry out a Watershed Literacy Vacation Bible School training. This training used a “train the trainer” approach to first familiarize 18 teachers with water quality issues through traditional learning formats and hands-on experiences such as boat tours led by Anacostia Riverkeeper. The teachers were then trained on how to successfully deliver the watershed stewardship curriculum developed by IPC. Over 310 Vacation Bible School students received this curriculum.

IPC also partnered with Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay to hold three informational workshops that provided an overview of the Prince George’s County Alternative Compliance Program (ACP). This program is specifically designed to support the efforts of faith-based organizations to improve water quality in the County. Through these workshops, IPC successfully guided five faith-based organizations through the ACP application process.

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