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2023

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GRANTS: Upcoming Deadlines and Open Programs

The Chesapeake Bay Trust's grant-making strategies are shaped by three core objectives: environmental education, demonstration-based restoration, and community engagement. We look to these objectives as basic touchstones for developing our programs, engaging new partners, and communicating about our work.

Keep Maryland Beautiful

Application Due November 15, 2023 at 4 pm ET

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Clean Water Montgomery

Application Due November 16, 2023 at 4 pm ET

The Montgomery County Government and the Chesapeake Bay Trust announce a grant program to support watershed restoration and outreach projects throughout Montgomery County. This program aims to promote initiatives and projects which will improve water quality in Montgomery County's local streams and waterways through public engagement, education, and on-the-ground restoration.

Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship

Application Due November 30, 2023 at 4 pm ET

The Prince George's County Government and the Chesapeake Bay Trust announce the tenth year of partnership for the Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program. This grant program funds on-the-ground restoration activities that improve communities, improve water quality, support the County's Climate Action Plan, and engage Prince George's County residents in the restoration and protection of the local rivers and streams of Prince George's County.

Nontidal Wetlands Award Program

Application Extended (AGAIN) and now Due December 6, 2023 at 4 pm ET

The Watershed Assistance Grant Program is NOW open! This grant program is a partnership between the Chesapeake Bay Trust (Trust), the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE), and – new this year – West Virginia's Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP)! This program provides support for watershed restoration project designs and permitting and for watershed planning and programmatic development. The ultimate goal of the projects funded through this opportunity will be improved water quality in the entire State of Maryland and the West Virginia portion of the Chesapeake Bay watershed

Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps Host Application

Application Due December 7, 2023 at 4 pm ET

The Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps places young adults (ages 18-25) with nonprofit organizations or government agencies to work fulltime in the environmental field for a one-year term of stipend-supported service. The Corps provides young professionals with experience, leadership and professional development training, mentorship, and a support network with other young environmentalists. Positions offered by host organizations are in the fields of environmental restoration, community engagement, environmental education, climate

change, sustainable agriculture, energy conservation, and forestry. The Chesapeake Bay Trust anticipates placing approximately 50-55 Corps Members with nonprofit organizations and government agencies throughout Maryland and the Chesapeake Bay to work full-time for a stipend-supported year of service from August 14, 2024 to August 13, 2025.

Rolling Deadlines

Anne Arundel Community Tree Planting Mini Grant

The Anne Arundel County Community Tree Planting Mini Grant Program is a partnership between the Anne Arundel County Forestry Board and the Chesapeake Bay Trust to provide small community-based grants to help communities and organizations increase the number trees and tree canopy in neighborhoods, parks, and communities. This program only funds within Anne Arundel County.

Charles County Forestry

The Charles County Forestry Grant Program is a partnership between the Charles County Government and the Chesapeake Bay Trust that aims to fund cost-effective reforestation projects in the County to increase tree canopy and as a result create forest habitat and improve water quality in the county's local watersheds and ultimately the Chesapeake Bay.

City of Rockville RainScapes Rebate

The Chesapeake Bay Trust is proud to partner with the City of Rockville on its RainScapes Program. The City of Rockville Rainscapes Rebate Program offers rebate incentives to homeowners, not-for-profit organizations, and others to install practices that will improve stormwater runoff quality, reduce pollution, and improve local stream and river health.

Community Engagement and Restoration Mini Grant

The Community Engagement and Restoration Mini Grant Program is designed to engage Maryland residents in activities that enhance communities, engage residents, and improve natural resources. This program funds small-scale activities such as tree plantings, rain gardens, stream cleanups, and storm drain stenciling, among others.

Prince George's County Rain Check Rebate

The Prince George's County Rain Check Rebate Program offers rebate incentives to homeowners, businesses, and others to install practices that will improve stormwater runoff quality, reduce pollution, and improve local stream and river health. Seven types of stormwater practices are eligible for rebates: rain barrels, cisterns, rain gardens, urban tree canopy, pavement removal, permeable pavement, and green roofs.

Sponsorship Program

The Sponsorship Program is designed to support events that will increase awareness within the event participants about issues pertaining to restoration and protection of the natural resources of the Chesapeake and/or Maryland's other watersheds. The Chesapeake Bay Trust will entertain requests to sponsor events, such as conferences, festivals, and forums that allow the Trust to advance its mission.

Veteran's Engagement Mini Grant Program

The Veteran's Engagement Mini Grant Program is designed to support veteran's groups and organizations engaging veteran's groups as they provide healing and therapeutic services, outdoor recreation, community engagement, and green jobs training.

GRANTEE NEWS

Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Nontidal Wetlands Award Program



To support no net loss of nontidal wetland acreage and functions in the state of Maryland.

Application Due Date

Extended to:

Tuesday, December 6, 2023 at
4PM EDT



Maryland
Department of
the Environment



Chesapeake
Bay Trust

[**Click Here to View the Request for Proposals and Learn More**](#)

[**Click Here to RSVP for the Information Session on Monday, September 18th from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm**](#)

[**Click Here to RSVP for the Information Session on Wednesday, October 4th from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm**](#)

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[**Click Here to Start a New Application**](#)

[Click Here to RSVP for the Information Session on Monday, October 9th from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm](#)



Chesapeake Bay Trust



Application closes November 15, 2023
at 4pm EST



Contact Amber Cameron at
acameron@cbtrust.org



<https://cbtrust.org/grants/chesapeakecoyester/>

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[Click Here to View the Award Program Webpage](#)

Keep Maryland Beautiful

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AILEEN HUGHES AWARD PROGRAM

- <https://cbtrust.org/grants/keep-maryland-beautiful/>
- Application closes November 15, 2023 at 4pm EST
- Contact Amber Cameron at acameron@cbtrust.org

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[**Click Here to Register for the Virtual Information Session on September 26th from 5pm to 6pm**](#)

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NOW OPEN AND ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program



Attend a virtual information session on 9/26 at 5pm
Register at bit.ly/princegeorges1

Learn more at cbtrust.org/grants/prince-georges-stormwater-stewardship/

Applications due November 30, 4pm EST

Example projects include rain gardens, stormwater management practices, native plant gardens, tree canopy education, tree preservation, outreach and community engagement, illegal dumping data analysis, and more! For more information, contact [Nguyen Le](#).



Clean Water Montgomery



 Application closes November 16, 2023 at 4pm EST
 <https://cbtrust.org/grants/cleanwatermontgomery/>
 Contact Kathy Somoza at KSomoza@cbtrust.org

[Click Here to View the Request for Proposals and Learn More](#)

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[Click Here to View the Application](#)

[Click Here to View the Award Program Webpage](#)

Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps Host Application

The Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps increases access and opportunities to green careers across the Chesapeake Bay watershed. The program supports and trains the next generation of stewards in professions that restore and protect our environment and natural resources ensuring a healthy place for all of us to live. In the Corps young adults are provided with hands-on environmental and leadership experience, training, and support network of other young environmentalists. The Corps places individuals (ages 18-25) with nonprofit or government agencies throughout the Chesapeake Bay watershed for a one-year term of service. The Chesapeake Bay Trust anticipates placing approximately 50 Corps Members with nonprofit organizations and government agencies throughout Maryland and the Chesapeake Bay to work full-time for a paid year of service from August 15, 2023 to August 14, 2024. For more information, contact [Emily Stransky](#).



Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps
HOST ORGANIZATION APPLICATION NOW OPEN

APPLICATIONS DUE: DECEMBER 7, 2023 AT 4PM EST

APPLY NOW
<https://cbtrust.org/chesapeake-climate-corps/apply/>

QUESTIONS?
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[**Click Here to View the Program Webpage**](#)

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--- OTHER OPPORTUNITIES ---

These opportunities are not funded by the Trust

[**Maryland Department of Natural Resources**](#)

[**Career Opportunity - Power Plant Siting Assessor**](#)

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources seeks a full-time Power Plant Siting Assessor to assess the impacts of power plants in a scientific manner while under close or moderate supervision. This requires the management of complex technical evaluations of the environment, economics, and engineering issues conducted for the purpose of achieving a balance between providing adequate electricity at a reasonable cost while protecting our natural resources. These evaluations consist of objective,



comprehensive technical analyses of multidisciplinary sets of issues and lead to a consolidated set of policy or operational recommendations. This position performs other duties that are required to complete all tasks associated with this job's functions.

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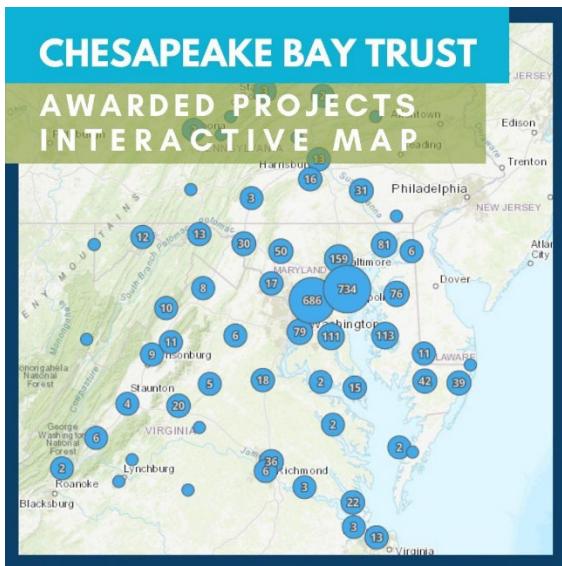
--- SEPTEMBER PROJECT HIGHLIGHT ---

Healing the Land and Empowering People: Let's Make Green Jobs!

With a grant award from the [DOEE Community Stormwater Solutions program](#), Ward 8 Woods Conservancy joins conservation action, environmental justice, and job access to citizens in Ward 8 who are facing barriers to employment. This organization is working to increase access to nature and create green jobs for underserved communities in the District of Columbia by reclaiming a key woodland corridor on Federal Parkland in the Anacostia River watershed, currently beset by pollution and invasive plants. Their goal is to remove 100,000 pounds of trash and invasive vines choking hundreds of native trees through their highly successful Park Steward program, which employs Ward 8 residents. The project includes door-to-door canvassing to raise awareness among residents, discourage littering, and recruiting households or volunteers to "adopt" and steward wooded areas near their homes. With only a couple of months into their grant, Ward 8 Woods has already removed 40,380 pounds of trash, removed invasive vines to 345 trees, visited 100 homes to raise awareness and got two commitments to "adopt" wooded areas. The DOEE Community Stormwater Solutions Program is a partnership between the Chesapeake Bay Trust and the DC Department of Energy & Environment.



Showcasing YOUR Projects on the
-- Chesapeake Bay Trust Awarded Projects Map --



Our interactive map currently displays over 3,000 awards throughout the watersheds of the Chesapeake Bay, Maryland Coastal Bays, and Youghiogheny River. Updated annually, the map allows you to search projects by area, funding partner, and/or environmental topic. Find projects in your community and see what's happening across the region!

[Explore the Map](#)

NEW Resource - To Estimate Pollutant Load Reductions -



The Green Stormwater Infrastructure siMple Pollutant Load reduction Estimator (Green SIMPLE) was developed to help Chesapeake Bay communities more easily and consistently estimate the water quality benefits of proposed stormwater retrofit and community greening projects. The tool is an easy-to-use spreadsheet that is consistent with the pollutant loading rates and load reduction efficiencies used in the Chesapeake Bay Model. It allows users to estimate pollutant load reductions from individual projects as well as to compare a suite of candidate projects based on factors such as cost-effectiveness, pollutant load reduction, maintenance burden, and constructability. The user-friendly companion can assist with watershed restoration planning and implementation prioritization.

This tool is useful for local governments, non-profit organizations and neighborhood community associations applying for stormwater retrofit implementation funding through the Green Streets, Green Jobs, Green Towns Grant program or other programs by providing a simple option for users to estimate the water quality benefits of their proposed projects, and providing a consistent set of project metrics (e.g., Site nitrogen reduced) that funders can use to help inform decision-making.

While the tool provides a simpler alternative to more complex models such as the Chesapeake Assessment and Scenario Tool (CAST) or Field CROP, it is not intended to replace on-the-ground field assessment to evaluate potential locations for community retrofits or development of concepts for candidate sites by qualified individuals.

Credits

This tool was developed by Amanda Pollock, PE, Sarah Cappella, Jordan Kox, Bob Corallo, PE, and Greg Hoffmann, PE (Center for Watershed Protection, Inc.) with funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 3, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, and the Chesapeake Bay Trust.

[**Try the Green SIMPLE Tool
\(Excel File\)**](#)

--- BAY PLATE ---

More than just a License Plate!



Did you know that proceeds from the sale of Bay Tags are distributed to local community groups, schools, and non-profits? They fund tree planting, clean-ups, stormwater projects, environmental education programs, and other conservation and restoration programs! Bay Tags also come with great perks like prime parking, discounts at restaurants, merchandise and service discounts, car washes and so much more. Learn more [here!](#)

--- GRANTEE RESOURCES --- Resources for Applying and Managing Awards



How to...

- [Apply for a Chesapeake Bay Trust Grant \(Video\)](#)
- [Manage a Chesapeake Bay Trust Award \(Video\)](#)
- [Manage a Chesapeake Bay Trust Award During COVID-19 \(Video\)](#)



The Native Plant Species Selection Guide

is a downloadable PDF guide that walks through the importance of using native plants, when and how to use them in projects, and other resources available to find and purchase native plants in the Chesapeake Bay region.

[Download the Native Plant Species Selection Guide](#)



We welcome grantees to use the Trust's logo on signage, publications, and online. Available in .jpg or .png file, our logo can accompany all promotional materials related to your awarded project. Feel free to use the Trust's logo on social media, tagging us in your posts!

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[Download Image Files of the Trust Logo](#)

A collage of various Chesapeake Bay Trust merchandise items including a t-shirt, a sweatshirt, a water bottle, a reusable bag, a cap, and a pouch. To the right, a woman with curly hair, wearing a white t-shirt with the trust's logo, stands with her hand near her chin in a thoughtful pose. The background is a solid green color.

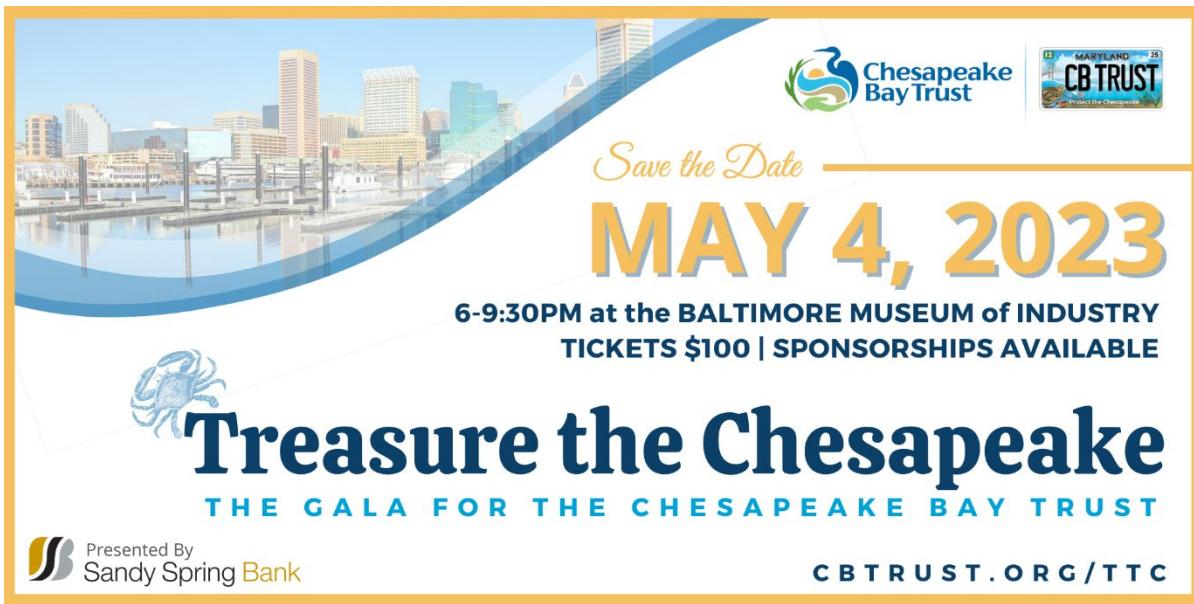
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[SHOP OUR NEW LOGO COLLECTION](#)



The banner features a blue wavy graphic at the top left showing a city skyline across a body of water. To the right of the graphic are the logos for Chesapeake Bay Trust and Maryland CB Trust. Below the graphic, the text "Save the Date" is written in a cursive script, followed by "MAY 4, 2023" in large, bold, yellow letters. Underneath, it says "6-9:30PM at the BALTIMORE MUSEUM of INDUSTRY" and "TICKETS \$100 | SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE". A blue crab logo is positioned next to the main title "Treasure the Chesapeake". Below the title, the subtitle "THE GALA FOR THE CHESAPEAKE BAY TRUST" is written in a smaller, all-caps font. At the bottom left, there is a logo for Sandy Spring Bank and the text "Presented By Sandy Spring Bank". At the bottom right, the website "CBTRUST.ORG/TTC" is listed.

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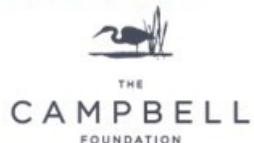
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ABOUT THE TRUST

The Chesapeake Bay Trust shares a bold vision for a restored and protected Chesapeake Bay watershed and other natural resources in our area—from the Coastal Bays to the Chesapeake to the Youghiogheny River. We uniquely empower local community-based groups on the ground with the resources they need to take on a meaningful and measurable role in restoring forests, streams, rivers, bays, wildlife, and more in their own communities.



The Trust empowers these groups by providing grants and technical assistance. Every year, about 400 groups are awarded project money or provided other assistance to accomplish environmental education, community outreach, and local watershed restoration projects. Since 1985, the Trust has awarded \$140 million in grants and engaged hundreds of thousands of resident stewards in projects that have a measurable impact.

The Trust has received the highest rating from Charity Navigator for over two decades: on average 90 percent of the Trust's expenditures are directed to its restoration and education programs.



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