

Chesapeake Bay Trust's Grantee Newsletter

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Photos are from a recent post-construction site visit to one of our Howard County Restoration projects in the Greenleaf neighborhood in Columbia, MD. The project was led by <u>Howard EcoWorks</u>. Howard County Executive, Allan Kittleman, joined us for the site visit

The mission of the Chesapeake Bay Trust is to promote public awareness and participation in the restoration and protection of the water quality and aquatic and land resources of the Chesapeake Bay region and other aquatic and land resources of the State. The Trust will engage residents of the region in programs that lead to actions that measurably improve local communities and increase resource stewardship.

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Grant Deadlines

- Outreach and Restoration: September 11th
- Watershed Assistance Grant Program: September 22nd
- Montgomery County Watershed Restoration & Outreach: October 5th
- Charles County Forestry: Rolling Deadline
- Prince George's County Rain Check Rebate Program: Rolling Deadline
- <u>Community Engagement Mini Grant:</u> Rolling Deadline
- Sponsorship Program: Rolling Deadline

Check out some of the great work that one of our grantees, Green Muslims, is working on! Their success over the past 10 years shows the power of collaboration and partnership, as they worked together with the Chesapeake Bay Program, Alice Ferguson Foundation, Chesapeake Bay Trust, and many other local watershed groups. Learn more here.

137 Acres of Anne Arundel County land will be permanently preserved! Through the Anne Arundel County Forestry and Forested Land Protection Grant Program, the Chesapeake Bay Trust and Anne Arundel County will be

placing three tracts of county land into conservation easements, which permanently forbid development.

Want to make a difference in your local communities?

Consider applying for the Watershed Stewards

Academy! This excellent program helps community
members learn the skills necessary to identify and resolve
environmental issues in their local watersheds. Visit the

Anacostia Watershed Society's website to learn more and to
access the application. Applications will be accepted until the
classes are filled.

The Chesapeake Bay Trust, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Maryland Department of Transportation's State Highway Administration, and Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection just announced over \$1 Million in funding for Stream Restoration and Stormwater Management Research! These 6 projects received funding through the Trust's Restoration Research Grant Program.

The **Spa Creek 2017 Paddlefest-Ecofest** is coming up soon! Join the Spa Creek Conservancy for a fun day of paddling on Spa Creek, enjoying food and drinks, and learning about current efforts to restore the watershed. Funds raised from this event will directly benefit cleanup and monitoring work! For more information, <u>click here</u>.

Why Being Near Water Really Does Make Us Happier: There are several different theories that try to answer this question, but they all reach the same conclusion that living and being near water has tremendous health and mental benefits. Here's why.

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