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**Grantee Newsletter - FEBRUARY
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.

Applications Due March 8, 2023 at 4 pm EST

[Green Streets, Green Jobs, Green Towns \(G3\) Grant Program](#)

The Green Streets, Green Jobs, Green Towns (G3) Grant Program is a partnership between the Trust, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region III, and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection. This program supports design and implementation of green streets, community greening, and urban tree canopy projects that enhance livability in cities and communities, in addition to white papers that address these topics.

Applications Due March 8, 2023 at 4 pm EST

[Urban Trees Grant Program](#)

The Urban Trees Grant Program, called for by the Maryland General Assembly as a component of a 5,000,000-tree goal by 2031, supports tree planting projects in urban, underserved communities. The goal of the program is to green communities; enhance

quality of life, human health, and community livability by improving air quality and reducing urban heat island effect; and mitigate some of the effects of climate change.

Applications Due March 9, 2023 at 4 pm EST

[Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps - Member Application](#)

The Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps (Corps) places young adults with nonprofit organizations or government agencies to work fulltime in the environmental field for a one-year term of paid service and 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.

Applications Due March 13, 2023 at 4 pm EDT

[Anne Arundel Forestry and Forested Land Protection Grant Program](#)

The Anne Arundel Forestry and Forested Land Protection Grant Program is a partnership between the Trust and the Anne Arundel County Government. The goal of this program is to implement cost-effective reforestation and greening projects and increase the number of acres of protected forested land in the County.

Applications Due March 13, 2023 at 4 pm EDT

[EPA Chesapeake Bay Goal Implementation Team \(GIT\) Funding Program](#)

The Chesapeake Bay Trust has been designated to receive federal funds from the EPA as part of the Chesapeake Bay Program GIT Funding Program. The program is designed to invite entities experienced in various aspects of fisheries, watershed science and policy, outreach and training, tidal wetlands, climate resilience, data review and development, tree canopy and forest buffers, and other watershed issues to submit proposals to advance specific outcomes of the 2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement (and amendment, dated 2022) that have been identified as top priorities to address.

Applications Due March 16, 2023 at 4 pm EDT

[Anne Arundel County Watershed Restoration Grant Program](#)

The Anne Arundel County Watershed Restoration Grant Program is a partnership between the Trust, the Anne Arundel County Bureau of Watershed Protection and Restoration, and the City of Annapolis. This program aims to improve water quality in the County's local streams and waterways as called for in the County's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit and County and City of Annapolis' Stormwater Management Inventory and Watershed Improvement Plan.

Applications Due March 16, 2023 at 4 pm EDT

[Capacity Building Grant Program - Annual](#)

The Annual Capacity Building Grant Program is a partnership between the Trust and the Chesapeake Bay Funders Network. The program seeks to support the capacity of

organizations working on both community and environmental health issues. Grants will be awarded to eligible nonprofit organizations to either a) strengthen their internal capacity, or b) strengthen the capacity of other nonprofit organizations.

Application Extended and now Due March 23, 2023 at 4 pm EDT
[Nontidal Wetlands Award Program](#)

This program is a partnership between the Trust and the Maryland Department of the Environment to seek proposals for nontidal wetland projects in Maryland. This program provides funding to implement cost-effective wetland projects to provide valuable wetland functions, including habitat for a wide range of species and improved water quality, flood attenuation, recharge of groundwater, and aesthetics in the State's local watersheds and ultimately the Chesapeake Bay, Youghiogheny River, and Atlantic Coastal Bays.

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.

[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 or knowledge among event participants about issues pertaining to restoration and protection of the natural resources of the Chesapeake and/or Maryland's other watersheds. The Trust will also entertain requests that promote the following major sources of revenue for the Trust: 1) the "Treasure the Chesapeake" license plate program; 2) the Chesapeake and Endangered Species Tax Check-off on the Maryland State income tax form; and 3) the Maryland Outdoor Recreation and Clean Water Fund.

Urban Trees Mini Grant Program

The Urban Trees Mini Grant Program is designed to support non-profit organizations such as faith-based institutions, community and homeowners associations; service, youth, and civic groups by providing funding of up to \$5,000 for small native tree planting (15 trees or less) implementation projects.

Veteran's Engagement Mini Grant Program

The Veteran's Engagement Mini Grant Program is designed to support veteran's groups organizations engaging veteran's groups as they provide healing and therapeutic services, outdoor recreation, community engagement, and green jobs training. Funding for this program is in part supported by the Healing, Hunting, and Fishing Fund through the online boating, fishing, and hunting license and registration site at the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

GRANTEE NEWS

Urban Trees Grant Program

The Urban Trees Grant Program, called for by the Maryland General Assembly as a component of a 5,000,000-tree goal by 2031, welcomes requests for tree planting projects in urban, underserved communities. The goal of the program is to green communities; enhance quality of life, human health, and community livability by improving air quality and reducing urban heat island effect; and mitigate some of the effects of climate change. For more information, contact [Greg Burks](#).

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URBAN TREES GRANT PROGRAM

To support urban tree planting projects that enhance livability in underserved communities.

This initiative will empower communities that have felt disenfranchised to gain better access to resources that support local improvements and increase urban tree canopy while strengthening communities by bringing residents together to create and maintain community green space and walkable neighborhoods.

Applications Due: March 8, 2023 by 4PM EST.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

<https://cbtrust.org/grants/urban-trees/>



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Grant funding
available for
green infrastructure
and community
greening projects

**GREEN STREETS,
GREEN JOBS,
GREEN TOWNS
GRANT PROGRAM**

View the Request for Proposals at cbtrust.org/g3

Applications Due March 8, 2023, at 4pm EST



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

[Watch a Recording of the Virtual Information
Session](#)

Green Streets, Green Jobs, Green Towns (G3) Grant Program

The G3 Grant Program helps communities develop and implement plans that reduce stormwater runoff, increase the amount of urban green spaces, improve the health of our environment, and enhance quality of life and community livability. Example projects include design and construction of green streets, rain gardens, green roofs, tree plantings, white papers/tools and more. For more information, contact [Nguyen Le](#).

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For young adults interested in a one-year, full time experience working with a nonprofit or government organization in the environmental field.



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[Click Here to View the Application Package](#)

Anne Arundel County Forestry and Forested Land Protection Grant Program

With the goal of implementing cost-effective reforestation and greening projects and increasing the number of acres of protected forested land in the County.

Potential Project Tracks:

1. Reforestation/Afforestation of Protected Lands
2. Permanent Protection of Forested Lands
3. Reforestation/Afforestation and protection of lands that are currently unleased and unforested.

APPLICATIONS DUE: MARCH 13, 2023 by 4:00PM (EST)

LEARN MORE

<https://cbtrust.org/grants/forestry-and-forested-land-protection/>



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Anne Arundel County Forestry and Forested Land Protection Grant Program

The Anne Arundel County Forestry and Forested Land Protection Grant Program funds projects cost-effective reforestation and greening projects as well as projects that increase the number of acres of protected land in the County. Numerous benefits are produced by increasing tree cover and expanding green areas such as the reduction of erosion, improvement of water and soil quality, increased filtration of pollutants, and many more. For more information, contact [Whitney Vong](#).

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

EPA Chesapeake Bay Goal Implementation Team Funding Program

This program invites entities experienced in various aspects of fisheries, watershed science and policy, outreach and training, tidal wetlands, climate resilience, data review and development, tree canopy and forest buffers, and other watershed issues to submit proposals. The work funded by this program will advance specific outcomes from the 2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement (and Amendment, dated 2022) that have been identified as top priorities to address. For more information, contact [Nguyen Le](#).

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

EPA Chesapeake Bay Goal Implementation Team Funding Program

This program seeks services for technical assistance to support key Chesapeake Bay Program goals and outcomes through twelve separate Scopes of Work.

Detailed information on the Scopes of Work are included in the Request for Proposals found at:

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

Application Deadline: March 13, 2023 at 4PM EST

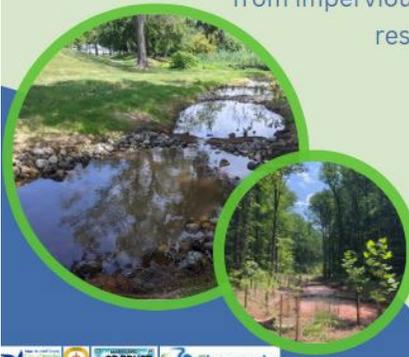


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[**Click Here to View the Request for Proposals**](#)

Anne Arundel County Watershed Restoration Grant Program

Encouraging on-the-ground watershed restoration activities that reduce the amount of stormwater flow into local waterways, that treat and filter pollutants from impervious surfaces, and that engage residents in the restoration and protection of the local rivers and streams.



**Applications Due:
March 16, 2023 at 4PM EST**

<https://cbtrust.org/grants/anne-arundel-county-watershed-restoration/>



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Anne Arundel County Watershed Restoration Grant Program

The Anne Arundel County Watershed Restoration Grant Program funds projects to reduce pollutants flowing into local waterways through implementation, or in some cases planning and design, of watershed restoration practices. This program aims to improve water quality in the County's local streams and waterways. For more information, contact [Sarah Koser](#).

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Maryland Department of the Environment Nontidal Wetlands Award Program

The Maryland Department of the Environment and the Chesapeake Bay Trust seek proposals for nontidal wetland projects in Maryland. This program seeks to implement cost-effective wetland projects to provide valuable wetland functions, including habitat for a wide range of species, flood attenuation, recharge of groundwater, and aesthetics in the State's local watersheds. For more information, contact [Sarah Koser](#) or [Sadie Drescher](#).

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



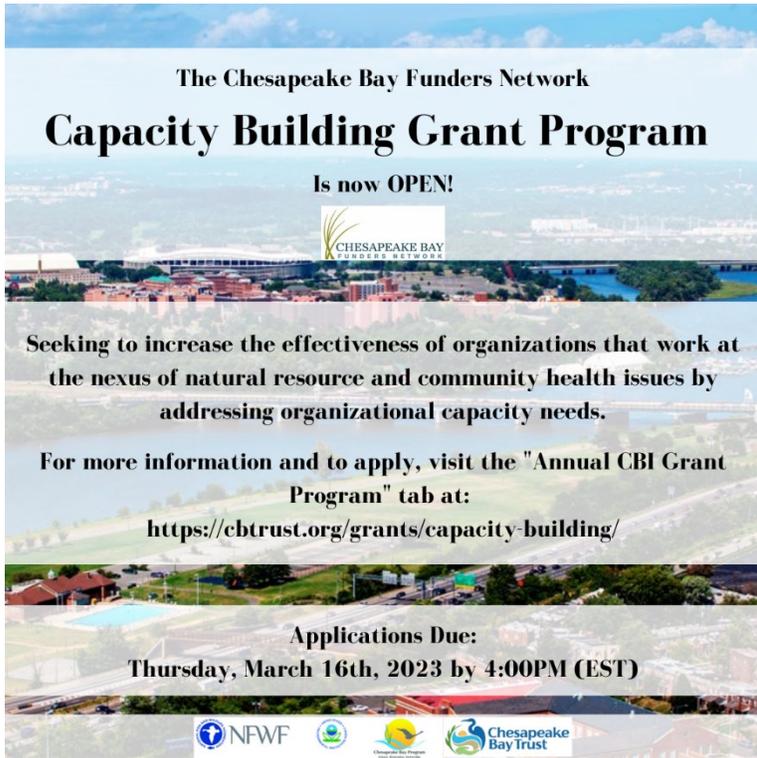
To support no net loss of nontidal wetland acreage and functions in the state of Maryland.

Application Due Date Extended to:
Thursday, March 23rd, 2023
at 4:00PM EST



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The Chesapeake Bay Funders Network

Capacity Building Grant Program

Is now OPEN!



Seeking to increase the effectiveness of organizations that work at the nexus of natural resource and community health issues by addressing organizational capacity needs.

For more information and to apply, visit the "Annual CBI Grant Program" tab at:
<https://cbtrust.org/grants/capacity-building/>

Applications Due:
Thursday, March 16th, 2023 by 4:00PM (EST)



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Capacity Building Grant Program

The Chesapeake Bay Funders Network and the Chesapeake Bay Trust seeks to increase the effectiveness of organizations that work at the nexus of natural resource and community health issues, within the Chesapeake Bay, Coastal Bays, and Youghiogheny River watersheds by addressing organizational capacity needs.

"Organizational capacity" is defined as activities that strengthen an organization to help it better fulfill its mission. For more information, contact [Kacey Wetzel](#).

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--- OTHER OPPORTUNITIES ---

Request for Proposal for Contractual Services

- Videographer Services -

The Chesapeake Bay Trust is seeking videography services to capture and develop high quality "Lifestyle" video and audio content and edit content into videos to be used as features of the Trust and its funding partners' work. The videos will highlight two Ditch the Disposables projects and five Capacity Building Networks. For more information, contact [Hayley Rost](#).

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a New Application](#)

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Request for Proposals for VIDEOGRAPHER SERVICES

The Trust seeks qualified contractors to perform videography services to capture and develop high quality "Lifestyle" video and audio content and edit content into videos to be used as features of the Trust and its funding partners' work.

Learn More at
<https://cbtrust.org/grants/bidder-opportunities/>

**Applications Due: February 27th, 2023
at 4PM EST**

--- FEBRUARY PROJECT HIGHLIGHT ---

Meaningful Watershed Educational Experiences:

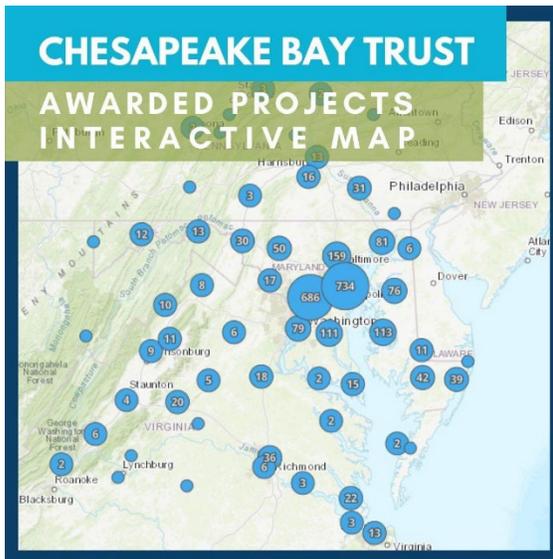
Learning About Oysters in the Classroom and on the Water



[Watch the Videos Created by Portsmouth Public School Students](#)

Through the Trust's [Chesapeake Oyster Innovation Award Program](#), Portsmouth Public Schools were able to engage their fifth graders in a Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience where students learned about oysters, their habitat, lifecycle, anatomy, and the impact of oysters on the environment while having hands-on experiences raising oysters and exploring oyster habitat. Additionally, students created a series of videos to educate other students, community members, and citizens in the watershed. The students were able to share what they learned about oysters and present the videos they created to their families at the Virginia Children's Museum. This project was supported in partnership with the Chesapeake Oyster Alliance (a program supported by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation).

**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 -

Green Stormwater Infrastructure siMple Pollutant Load reduction Estimator (Green-SIMPLE)

Intended Use
 The Green Stormwater Infrastructure siMple Pollutant Load reduction Estimator ("tool") was developed to help Chesapeake Bay communities more easily and consistently estimate the water quality benefits of proposed stormwater retrofit and the specific audience for the tool includes local governments, non-profit organizations, neighborhood community associations, consultants, state agencies, universities and others conducting planning and implementation of stormwater retrofits in the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

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 result-like comparison can assist with watershed restoration planning and implementation prioritization.

The 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., \$/lb of 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 HSP4B, it is not intended to replace on-the-ground field assessments to evaluate potential locations for stormwater retrofits or development of coverages for candidate sites by qualified individuals.

Credits
 This tool was developed by Amanda Pollack, PE, Sarah Casper, Jordan Fox, Dora Corica, PE, and Greg Hoffman, 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.

Green Stormwater Infrastructure siMple Pollutant Load reduction Estimator (Green-SIMPLE)
 Version 1.0
 December 2022

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.

[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!

Facebook [@chesapeakebaytrust](#)

Instagram [@chesapeakebaytrust](#)

Twitter [@baytrust](#)

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

The advertisement features a grid of six images showing various merchandise: a light blue t-shirt, a grey sweatshirt, a white water bottle, a patterned visor, a tan baseball cap, and a tan tote bag. To the right of the grid, a woman is shown from the back, wearing a white t-shirt with the Chesapeake Bay Trust logo. The text "Your purchase makes a difference!" is written in large, bold, white letters. Below the text is the website address "shopchesapeakebaytrust.org".

Your purchase makes a difference!

shopchesapeakebaytrust.org

Shop Local & Support the Bay with the Trust!

YOUR PURCHASES FUND PROJECTS AROUND THE CHESAPEAKE REGION and empower community-based groups with the resources they need to protect and improve forests, streams, rivers, bays, wildlife, and more in their own communities.

[SHOP OUR NEW LOGO COLLECTION](#)

Chesapeake Bay Trust

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MAY 4, 2023

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Let's Be Friends.

Like us on Facebook or follow us on Instagram for current Trust happenings. We'll share project successes from grantees and ensure you're aware of the work being done by other local organizations and communities to restore and protect our natural resource treasures.



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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