



Chesapeake Bay Trust's Grantee Newsletter

April 2019

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GRANTS: UPCOMING DEADLINES & OPEN PROGRAMS

- [Capacity Building Initiative](#): June 13, 2019
- [NEW DEADLINE: Environmental Education Mini Grant](#): June 13, 2019
- [Prince George's Rain Check Rebate Program](#): Rolling deadline
- [Prince George's Litter Reduction Mini Grant Program](#): Rolling deadline: Homeowner associations, civic associations, nonprofits, and small municipalities are encouraged to apply. This program provides up to \$2,500 to support community clean-ups, "Adopt-a-Stream" projects, storm drain stenciling, and more!
- [Anne Arundel Mini Community Planting](#): Rolling deadline
- [Charles County Forestry](#): Rolling deadline
- [Sponsorship Program](#): Rolling Deadline



What On Earth Are You Doing For Earth Day (April 22nd)?

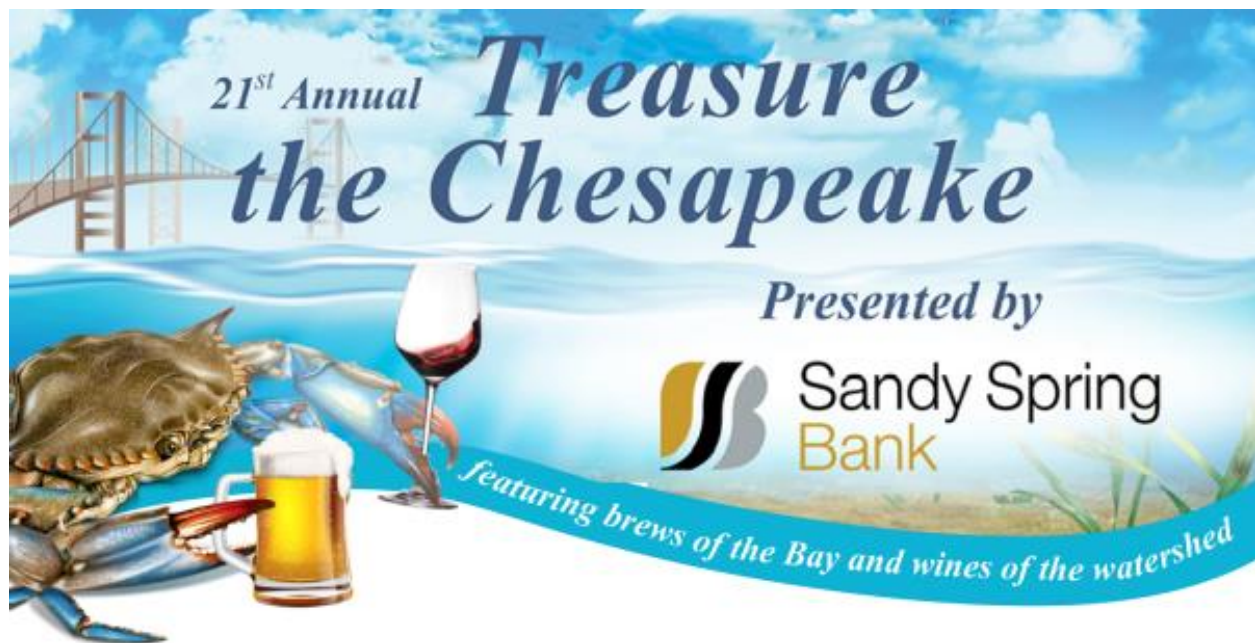
We all know Earth Day. Or do we?

* Take the [Earth Day Quiz](#) to test your knowledge and claim a prize.

* This is the 49th anniversary of Earth Day (you might say it's a Bearth day!)- but how did it all begin? Find out [here](#).

- * The history of the celebration is just as colorful as the season. Get all the facts surrounding the environmental inspiration for Earth Day [here](#).
- * Earth Day is a great day to get out and about in Maryland. Here are some great trips and tips from the [Chesapeake Conservancy](#).
- * [Chesapeake Family magazine](#) inspires us with fun ways to "show your love for Mother Earth."
- * Want to make Earth Day the start of new habits and practices in your life? * The [Chesapeake Bay Program](#) offers tips and how-to's to start making simple changes in everyday life.
- * Of course you can memorialize the day with a new car from [Annapolis Cars](#) (Volvo, Subaru, Hyundai) who will donate Bay Plates on all cars sold Saturday, April 20th and Monday, April 22nd. Find out more about Bay Plates [here](#).

NEWS FROM THE TRUST



Join community leaders and friends to celebrate our treasured Chesapeake Bay. Learn brew and wine pairings for your favorite Bay fare. All benefitting the Chesapeake Bay Trust.

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019 • 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM

BALTIMORE MUSEUM OF INDUSTRY

Tickets: \$100 per person • Sponsorships Available [here](#).
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Elected officials, friends, and supporters celebrate the Trust's new offices.

Left: Delegate David Fraser-Hidalgo (District 15), Delegate Alice Cain (District 30A), Trust Executive Director Jana Davis, Delegate Lorig Charkoudian (District 20), Delegate Lily Qi (District 15), Trust Board President Ben Wechsler, and Trustee Terry Smith ceremoniously plant the first tree at 108 Severn Ave., Annapolis, Maryland. Middle: Annapolis Mayor Gavin Buckley congratulates Trust Executive Director Jana Davis. Photo credit: Mitchell Stephenson. Right: neighbors and guests tour the new Trust headquarters and review the green space vision plan.

GRANTEE RESOURCES

How much do you know about the food on your plate?

The Lower Eastern Shore Engagement Network (LESEN) recently held a screening of ['Eating Animals'](#) in Berlin, MD. Guests participated in a post screening discussion about diversifying agriculture on Delmarva and supporting small farm independent farmers. The film charts how farming has gone from local and sustainable to a corporate Frankenstein monster. Cheap eggs, meat, and dairy are offered at a steep cost: the exploitation of animals; the risky use of antibiotics and hormones; and the pollution of our air, soil, and water. LESEN partners in attendance were [Future Harvest CASA](#), [Socially Responsible Agricultural Project](#), [Assateague Coastal Trust](#), and [Surfrider Foundation](#).





Project Highlight: East Branch Stream Buffer Planting Project

The [Howard County Conservancy](#) received a grant award to plant 355 trees along East Branch Stream at their Mt. Pleasant location in Woodstock, MD. Over 140 volunteers participated in the tree planting which covered 1.19 acres of land that was previously used for agriculture. Planting trees along streams protects the stream from erosion, decreases water pollution, and improves habitat for wildlife and aquatic species.

HELP THE TRUST TELL YOUR STORY!

The Trust invites awardees to include us in your social media promotions! Send us your event flyers, tell us about your upcoming events, tag us in your posts on Twitter [@baytrust](#), Facebook [@chesapeakebaytrust](#), and Instagram [@chesapeakebaytrust](#).

There is no better way to share your story than through pictures! We encourage you to email photos taken during any grant event, and especially before and after photos of hands-on restoration projects. Send them to cedson@cbtrust.org and let the Trust help you tell your story!

AROUND THE BAY

- **Bay Communities Look to Forests to Mitigate Floods.** The Nature Conservancy partnered with the National Aquarium in Baltimore to plant trees and restore a swamp. Read more [here](#).
- **Chesapeake Barometer Shows Improvement.** [The Delmarva Daily Times](#) reports on the science and data backing up the improvement of the Chesapeake Bay water quality. Read more [here](#).
- **[Maryland League of Conservation Voters](#) Reports on Session.** An environmental wrap up of what passed and what didn't in the 2019 Maryland General Assembly. Read more [here](#).

- **The Maryland 10k Across the Bay Only Virtual in 2019.** [The Capital Gazette](#) reports on maintenance that will take the spring out of runners steps. Read more [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS:

[State of the Choptank](#): Thursday, April 25th, 5:30p-7p. Join Choptank Riverkeepers at the unveiling of the 2018 Report card.

[Walk for the Woods](#): Saturday, April 27th, 7a-3p. Celebrate Earth Day and Arbor Day with a family friendly walk and/or guided tour of the Bacon Ridge Natural Area.

[Green Neighbor Festival](#): Saturday, May 4th, 10a-4p. Culler Lake Park, Frederick. Join "green" vendors, local foods, and activities all promoting sustainable living practices and businesses.

[Made in Maryland Festival](#): Sunday, May 5th, 11a-5p. Kurtz's Beach, Pasadena. This completely Maryland-themed festival features a fun line-up of vendors and entertainment, from artisans, crafters, live jousting, food vendors, local wineries and breweries, live music, children's activities and beyond. The Chesapeake Bay Trust is a proud beneficiary of this event.

[Advocacy 201 Workshop](#): Wednesday, May 15th, 6:30p-8:30p. Talking with decision makers, writing comment letters, and testimony to make yourself heard!

SAVE THE DATE: [The Great Chesapeake Bay Swim](#): Sunday, June 9th. Sandy Point State Park, Annapolis. The Chesapeake Bay Trust is a proud beneficiary of this event.

[Chesapeake Bayhawks vs. New York Lizards](#). Saturday, July 20th. Navy Marine Corps Stadium. Annapolis, Maryland. Join the area's biggest lacrosse rivalry night for an action packed game benefitting the Chesapeake Bay Trust.



New Chesapeake Bay Trust Logo. Along with the new Bay Plate, the Trust now has a new logo. Download image files of the Trust logo for your signage and project needs [here](#).

And check out our blog to learn about the design team that helped put this new plate on the road: www.cbtrust.org/blog

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[The Chesapeake Bay Trust](#) is a nonprofit, grant-making organization dedicated to improving the streams, rivers, and other natural resources of the Chesapeake region through environmental education, community outreach, and local watershed restoration.

Since 1985, the Trust has awarded more than \$100 million in grants and projects that engage hundreds of thousands of dedicated individuals in efforts that are making a difference for all of our local systems--Chesapeake, Coastal Bays, and Youghiogheny.

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