

Chesapeake Bay Trust Grantee Newsletter

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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.

<u>Outdoor Learning Network Initiative</u>: August 19, 2021 at 4PM EDT

The Outdoor Learning Newtowrk Initiative is a partnership between the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the Chesapeake Bay Trust working closely with the Chesapeake Bay Program Education Workgroup. The goal of this initiative is to advance environmental literacy at the district level by establishing local networks comprised of school districts and organizations who are committed to partnering and working collectively to embed environmental education into the school system long-term.

<u>Chesapeake Oyster Innovation Award Program</u>: September 16, 2021 at 4PM EDT

The Chesapeake Oyster Innovation Award Program is a partnership between the Chesapeake Oyster Alliance and the Chesapeake Bay Trust. The award program seeks to increase knowledge about oyster fisheries or oyster aquaculture, advance small-scale technologies for either increasing oyster populations or oyster aquaculture, and increase oyster fishery or aquaculture measurement/monitoring techniques or activities.

Anne Arundel County Forestry and Forested Land Protection Grant Program: November 11, 2021 at 4PM EDT

The Anne Arundel County Government and the Chesapeake Bay Trust are partnering to provide funds for forestry projects and land protection in Anne Arundel County. The goal of the program is to implement cost- effective reforestation and greening projects and increase the number of acres of protected forested land in the County.

Charles County Forestry: Rolling deadline

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.

<u>Community Engagement and Restoration Mini Grant Program</u>: Rolling deadline

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: Rolling deadline

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: Rolling deadline

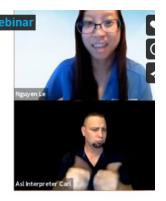
The Sponsorship Program is designed to support events that will increase awareness and knowledge among event participants about issues pertaining to restoration and protection of the natural resources of the Chesapeake and/or Maryland's other watersheds. The Trust will also entertain requests that promote 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.

For questions concerning any of the above open opportunities, please refer to the specific webpage for the Program Officer assigned to the Award Program.

Prince George's County Rain Check Rebate Program and Grant Opportunities







JULY 15, 2021 7:30PM

Rain Check Rebate Program:

https://cbtrust.org/prince-georges-county-rain-check-rebate/

Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program:

https://chtrust.org/grants/prince-georges-stormwater-stewardship-2/

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Grantee Resources

Do you want to know how to get money back for a rain garden installation, or secure funding for larger environmental initiatives in your community? Prince George's County has programs that help to improve communities and keep waterways clean and healthy! On July 15, 2021, the Chesapeake Bay Trust (Trust) held a webinar on the Rain Check Rebate Program incentives and grant opportunities available to Prince George's County residents. A recording of this webinar is now available for viewing at https://vimeo.com/578501363.

The Trust thanks all of the speakers, especially the previous Rain Check Rebate participants, Adam, Maile, Kate, and Laura, and Stormwater Stewardship awardee, Dawn, for sharing your project success stories with us! To learn more about the programs discussed during this webinar, visit our website at the links below.

Rain Check Rebate Program

Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program

<u>The Chesapeake Bay Trust</u> is proud to partner with the <u>Prince George's County Department of</u> the Environment to administer these programs and support the County's clean water efforts.

Climate Change and Stormwater Panel Discussion

The Chesapeake Bay Trust (Trust) strives to invest in projects and programs that will most effectively "move the needle" toward the restoration and protection of the Chesapeake Bay

Watershed and then widely share these results with our stakeholders. Under our values of *Science and Innovation* and as part of our role to convene where we can identify solutions to critical issues or paths of actions, we invited experts across the nation to participate in the session, "Climate Change and Stormwater: A Panel Discussion of the Latest Research and Use of That Research." Panelists covered what has worked or not worked for them, their research findings, and where they are headed in the future (view the agenda and recording here). Two of these projects have cutting-edge science that will be employed to better design stormwater practices for future climate scenarios of more frequent and higher duration storm events.

We are sharing these final products here to circulate and share the results:

- 1) <u>Climate Impacts to Restoration Practices</u> (supported through the <u>Pooled Monitoring Program</u>) and
- 2) Piloting the Development of Probabilistic Intensity Duration Frequency (IDF) Curves for the Chesapeake Bay Watershed (supported through the <u>US EPA Goal Implementation Team Program</u>).



Grantee Resources for Applying and Managing Awards

"How to Apply for a Chesapeake Bay Trust Grant" video

"How to Manage a Chesapeake Bay Trust Award" video

"How to Manage Your Chesapeake Bay Trust Award During COVID-19" video



The "Native Plant Species Selection Guide" is a <u>downloadable PDF</u> 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 image files of the Trust logo for your signage and project needs here. Available in .jpg or .png file, the Trust 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 on Twitter obaytrust, Facebook ochesapeakebaytrust, and Instagram ochesapeakebaytrust.

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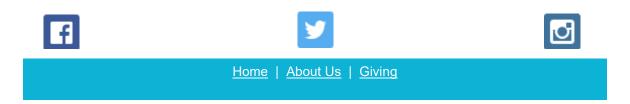


About The Trust

<u>The Chesapeake Bay Trust</u> is a nonprofit grant-making organization dedicated to improving the watersheds of the Chesapeake Bay, Maryland Coastal Bays, and Youghiogheny River through grant programs, special initiatives, and partnerships that support K-12 environmental education, on-the ground watershed restoration, community engagement, and the underlying science of these three realms.

Since 1985, the Trust has awarded more than \$130 million in grants to local municipalities, nonprofit organizations, schools and public agencies throughout the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. For nearly two decades, the Trust has received a "4-star rating" from Charity Navigator, the nation's leading independent evaluator of

nonprofit organizations. About 90% of the Trust's expenditures are directed to restoration and education programs.



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