

Grantee Newsletter - AUGUST 2022

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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 August 25, 2022 at 4 pm EDT

Watershed Assistance Grant Program

The Chesapeake Bay Trust, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, and the Maryland Department of the Environment welcome requests from local governments and non-profit organizations for assistance with the earliest phases of watershed restoration projects. This program will support watershed restoration project design assistance, watershed planning, and programmatic development associated with protection and restoration programs and projects that lead to improved water quality in the Maryland portion of the Chesapeake Bay watershed, the Maryland portion of the Youghiogheny watershed, and the Maryland Coastal Bays.

Chesapeake Bay Goal Implementation Team Funding Program

The EPA Goal Implementation Team Project Support Program is a partnership between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Chesapeake Bay Trust. This program is designed to invite entities experienced in various aspects of fisheries, watershed science and policy, watershed stewardship, outreach and training, climate resilience, submerged aquatic vegetation

(sav), and other watershed issues to submit proposals to advance specific outcomes of the 2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement.

Applications Due September 1, 2022 at 6 pm EDT

District of Columbia Community Stormwater Solutions Grant Program

The Community Stormwater Solutions Grant Program is a partnership between the Chesapeake Bay Trust and the District of Columbia Department of Energy and Environment. This program provides funding for innovative, community-oriented and –inspired projects, aimed at improving water quality in the District of Columbia, reducing litter, and raising awareness about what we can do to restore our rivers, streams, and parks.

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.

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Community Stormwater Solutions Grant Program

The Chesapeake Bay Trust and the District of Columbia Department of Energy and Environment partner to deliver the Community Stormwater Solutions Award Program. The goals of this program are to protect and enhance, directly or indirectly, the District's water bodies or watersheds. Another goal is to create new community partners and strengthen existing relationships with community-based organizations and small businesses.



Click Here to Apply

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--- AUGUST PROJECT HIGHLIGHT ---

Cobb Island Community Association

The Cobb Island Community Association has successfully removed invasive plants from a forested lot using goats as their primary removal method. Jacqueline Moore, a community association member, applied to the Trust's Community Engagement and Restoration Grant after reading about other similar projects. The Trust commends Jacqueline and the rest of the Cobb Island Community Association for their creative approach to this inspiring project.







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--- OTHER OPPORTUNITIES ---

These opportunities are not funded by the Trust

2022 Exelon Foundation Green Lab Grants Program

The Exelon Foundation Green Lab Grants Program provides grants of up to \$50,000 for public and private schools and nonprofit organizations that operate out-of-school programs serving Title I-eligible students, to invest in hands-on educational spaces where students can prepare for STEM careers. The <u>application</u> is now open and will **close September 26, 2022**. If you would like to learn more, the application portal includes information on the grant focus and guidelines and timeline.



--- 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







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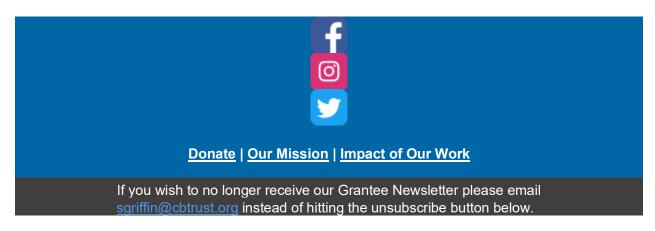


ABOUT THE TRUST

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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