

Chesapeake Bay Trust's Grantee Newsletter

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GRANTS: UPCOMING DEADLINES & 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>Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program</u>: November 19, 2020, at 4pm EST

The Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program is a partnership between the Prince George's County Government and the Chesapeake Bay Trust to fund on-the-ground restoration activities that improve neighborhoods, improve water quality, and engage Prince George's County residents in the restoration and protection of the local rivers and streams of Prince George's County.

<u>Chesapeake Conservation Corps Host Organization Application</u>: December 3, 2020, at 4PM EST

The Chesapeake Conservation Corps is a leadership program that provides young adults (ages 18-25) with hands-on environmental and leadership experience through placements with nonprofit or government agencies for one-year terms of service in the Chesapeake Bay region.

Environmental Education Grant Program: December 10, 2020, at 4PM EST

The Environmental Education Grant Program funds initiatives and programs that advance environmental literacy and result in students gaining the knowledge, skills, and appreciation for nature to take responsible actions to protect and restore their local environment.

Restoration Research Grant Program: January 29, 2021, at 4PM EST

The Chesapeake Bay Trust, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation through the Environmental Protection Agency's Chesapeake Bay Program Office, the Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration, the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection, and other partners announce a Request for Proposals for its Restoration Research award program. The goal of this research program is to answer several key restoration questions that are a barrier to watershed restoration project implementation.

<u>Anne Arundel County Watershed Restoration Grant Program</u>: February 12, 2021, at 4pm EST

The Anne Arundel County Watershed Restoration Grant Program is a partnership between the Anne Arundel County Bureau of Watershed Protection and Restoration, the City of Annapolis, and the Chesapeake Bay Trust. This program funds projects to reduce pollutants through the implementation of watershed restoration practices. Projects must accomplish on-the-ground restoration that treats rainwater runoff from impervious surfaces or demonstrates the accomplishment of another metric that will help the County and City meet local water quality and runoff reduction improvement goals.

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 projects to implement 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 Mini Grant Program</u>: Rolling deadline

The Community Engagement 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 within the 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.

GRANTEE RESOURCES



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

Download image files of the Trust logo for your signage and project needs <u>here</u>. Available in .jpg or .png file, the Trust logo can accompany all promotional materials related to your awarded project.

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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 \$120 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. 92% of the Trust's expenditures are directed to restoration and education programs.







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