PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY STORMWATER STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

Information Session

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September 28, 5:30 pm to 6:15 pm
Grant program webpage: https://cbtrust.org/grants/prince-georges-stormwater-stewardship-2/
Mission

The MISSION of the Chesapeake Bay Trust is to engage and empower diverse groups to take actions that enrich natural resources and local communities of the Chesapeake Bay region.

Our GOAL is to increase stewardship through grant programs, special initiatives, and partnerships that support environmental education, demonstration-based restoration, and community engagement activities.

More online at https://cbtrust.org/
Where the Money Comes From:

Maryland’s Chesapeake Bay License Plate

Federal, State and Corporate Partnerships

Individual and Private Contributions

Chesapeake Bay and Endangered Species Fund
Tax Check-off

Maryland Outdoor Recreation and Clean Water Fund
Hunting/Fishing Licenses and Boater Registrations

Where the Money Goes:

Education
Ensuring that students are environmentally literate through K-12 curriculum development, field experiences, and green school development.

Restoration
Advancing the science and implementation of restoration best management practices that reduce pollution, restore habitat, and improve water quality.

Community
Engaging individuals to improve the health of local waterway through community cleanups, tree plantings, other stewardship practices and projects.

Science and Innovation
Working to advance science in many areas in which we fund to break through barriers that prevent faster water quality improvements.

Capacity Building
Increasing the organizational effectiveness of organizations that work to advance natural resources restoration and protection.
PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY
STORMWATER STEWARDSHIP
GRANT PROGRAM

ALL FUNDS FROM THE PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

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AGENDA

- Introductions – who is attending & what do you want to get out of the session?
- Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program Overview
- Questions and Project Ideas from attendees
STORMWATER STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAM
OPEN NOW!

• Funds restoration activities that improve communities and water quality and engage Prince George’s County residents in the restoration and protection of the local rivers and streams.
  • Track 1: $50,000 to $150,000 for water quality projects
  • Track 2: $50,000 to $100,000 for tree planting projects
  • Track 3: $5,000 to $30,000 for citizen awareness and engagement projects

Deadline: November 19, 2020, at 4pm EST

Department of the Environment is investing in your neighborhoods through this grant funding

Visit the Stormwater Stewardship Program page for more information.
Let’s think through project ideas together

- What do you want to do in your neighborhood?
- What water issues have you seen?
- What project ideas do you have?
- What have others done that might be easy to do for you?
- See the Request for Proposals (RFP) Appendix A for the basics of how to develop a project idea and submit the grant application (https://cbtrust.org/wp-content/uploads/Prince-Georges-Stormwater-Stewardship-Grant-Program-RFP_FY21_Final_080420.pdf)
Project Idea – Stormwater Practice

Before

After
Transformation from turn to stormwater practice

Greenbelt Homes, Inc.

**BEFORE**

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**AFTER**

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Project Ideas from Past Awards

Prince George’s County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program

The Prince George’s County Government and the Chesapeake Bay Trust announce the seventh year of our partnership to support projects throughout Prince George’s County that aid neighborhoods while treating and controlling stormwater. The goal of this program is to improve neighborhoods, improve water quality in the County’s waterways, and engage County residents in stormwater issues.

Program Status: OPEN
To view the RFP, click here.
Deadline: November 19, 2020, at 4pm EST

Start a New Application
Get started with a new application.

Manage an Existing Grant
Manage an existing grant or continue an application

Grant Application Process, Steps to Apply

1. Review the Request for Proposals (RFP)

2. Prepare Your Application Pieces

3. Complete the Online Application

A Complete Application Package
Each grant program has its own RFP that is updated each year the program is open for applications. Make sure you are reviewing the most recent RFP for the grant program.

The RFP outlines:
- Goals of the program
- Project types
- Criteria and guidelines
- Eligible applicants
- Application pieces

Read the RFP thoroughly and contact the Program Officer early in the application process.

Applications are reviewed based on the requirements and criteria outlined in the RFP.
Prepare Your Application Pieces

• Refer to the RFP for the application pieces
• Application pieces include
  – Project Narrative (Copy and paste narrative questions into a Microsoft Word document)
  – Budget - Financial Management Spreadsheet (FMS) (Download from the Trust’s forms and policies page)
  – Letters of Commitment
  – Other supporting documents, if applicable
    • Designs
    • Maintenance plans
    • Photos

Your application pieces will be uploaded with your online application. Be sure to save them in an accessible place.
In the Applicant Information tab, you will be asked to provide the following information:

— Organization Information
— Executive Officer
— Project Leader

The Project Leader email address listed must be the one you used to log in and submit the application. If it is not, start a new application using the Project Leader email address.
STORMWATER STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

• Who can apply:
  • Municipalities
  • Non-profit organizations
  • Watershed organizations
  • Education institutions
  • Community associations
  • Faith-based organizations
  • Civic groups, and more.
Online tutorial for how to apply for a grant at [https://cbtrust.org/grants/](https://cbtrust.org/grants/)

How to complete the Financial Management Spreadsheet is online at [https://cbtrust.org/forms-policies/](https://cbtrust.org/forms-policies/)
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<td>• <strong>Do not</strong> wait until the day of the deadline to begin your online application. The online application will close promptly at the specified date and time. The Trust <strong>cannot</strong> make exceptions for applications that are not submitted in time.</td>
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After Submission

**Applications are Processed**
After the deadline has passed, the Trust processes all submitted applications into our grant system.

**Technical Review Committee (TRC)**
Outside experts review the proposals and score them based on the criteria outlined in the RFP. Proposals are either recommended for approval or decline.

**Board Meeting**
Proposal recommendations are presented to the Trust Board at our quarterly Board Meeting for approval.

**Awards Announced**
The Trust can announce the awards after the Board Meeting.

**Decision Letters Emailed**
Decision letters are emailed to the Executive Officer and Project Leader identified on the application.

*The average approval rate of all past Prince George’s applications including partially approved awards was 54%*
RAIN CHECK REBATE

Provides property owners rebates (refund after purchase, installation, and approval) for installing stormwater management practices.

Visit the Rain Check Rebate page for more information.
Our Vision

The Chesapeake Bay and local watersheds are healthy and safe, our waters are fishable and swimmable, local communities benefit from these healthy resources, and everyone participates in restoring and protecting our natural resource treasures.

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Visit cbtrust.org for more information.
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RESOURCES + WHO TO CONTACT

www.CBTrust.org
• Fact sheets, guidelines
• Online application
• Request for Proposals

• Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program Manager: Sadie Drescher, sdrescher@cbtrust.org
  (410) 974-2941, ext. 105

• Rain Check Rebate Coordinator: Nguyen Le, rebate@cbtrust.org
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CLEAN UP STORMWATER RUNOFF

RAIN CHECK REBATE PROGRAM OVERVIEW
WHAT IS THE RAIN CHECK REBATE PROGRAM?

Gives property owners rebates for installing stormwater management practices.

Rebate = a reimbursement or refund after purchase, installation, and approval.
PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY RAIN CHECK REBATE PROGRAM

• Establishes applicant eligibility, the types of retrofit projects, the rebate amount, and the rebate application process.
• Homeowners, Businesses, and Nonprofit entities (including housing co-ops and churches) can recoup some of the costs of installing BMPs.
• Helps property owners implement practices that will reduce their Clean Water Act Fee (separate process!)

STORMWATER DIVISION
APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

• Homeowners
• Members of a housing cooperative
• Commercial businesses
• Multi-family dwellings
• Nonprofit organizations
• Not-for-profit organizations
ELIGIBLE RAIN CHECK REBATE PRACTICES
ELIGIBLE RAIN CHECK PROJECTS

What determines eligibility?

- Project location
- Follows program guidelines and criteria
- Completion within 12 months of approval
- Project is not being used to fulfill a county-required stormwater permit
Projects Not Eligible

- Properties within **Bowie** municipal boundary are not eligible to participate
  - Why: the city has its own stormwater permit
- Properties in **Cheverly** and **University Park** cannot receive rebates for tree plantings
  - Why: Both have their own separate tree rebate program
MAXIMUM REBATE PER PROPERTY

- **$4,000** maximum residential rebate
- **$20,000** maximum rebate for commercial properties, multi-family dwellings, non-profit organizations, HOAs, condo associations, and civic associations
- Amount cannot exceed project cost
# Rebate Amounts

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<td>Urban Tree Canopy</td>
<td>$150/tree</td>
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<td>Rain Barrels</td>
<td>$2/gallon stored (must capture 50 gallons)</td>
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<td>Cisterns</td>
<td>$2/gallon stored (250 gallons minimum)</td>
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<td>Rain Gardens</td>
<td>$10/square foot (minimum size 100 square feet)</td>
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<td>$12/square foot</td>
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<td>$6/square foot</td>
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<td>$10/square foot (minimum ¾ roof retrofit)</td>
<td>$10/square foot if less than 6”of planting material. $20/square foot if over 6”of planting material. (minimum ¾ roof retrofit)</td>
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a) Determine what practices are suitable for the property

b) Schedule a pre-installation site visit for all practices except rain barrels

a) Install the practice within 12 months of pre-approval
b) Schedule a post-installation site visit

a) Submit receipts to the Trust
b) Receive rebate check
BEFORE AND AFTER PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

Before

After
BEFORE AND AFTER PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

Before

After
BEFORE AND AFTER RAIN GARDEN
MORE EXAMPLES

Rain Barrel

Urban Tree Canopy
BENEFIT TO BUSINESSES

• Attract new customers
• Encourage customers to expand projects
• Valuable marketing tool
• Helps your company stand out
BENEFIT TO PROPERTY OWNERS

• Can reduce stormwater-related problems such as ponding or erosion
• Beautifies yards and communities
• May increase property values
• May increase bird/butterfly habitat
• May reduce Clean Water Fee