GRANTS: UPCOMING DEADLINES & OPEN PROGRAMS

- **NEW! Outdoor Learning Network Initiative:** March 28, 2019 at 4pm
- **Prince George’s Rain Check Rebate Program:** Rolling deadline
- **Prince George’s Litter Reduction Mini Grant Program:** Rolling deadline
- **Anne Arundel Mini Community Planting:** Rolling deadline
- **Charles County Forestry:** Rolling deadline
- **Community Engagement Mini Grant Program:** Rolling deadline
- **Sponsorship Program:** Rolling Deadline

Governor Harry Hughes (right) pictured with Mr. John Griffen, Dr. Torrey Brown, and Mr. Midgett Parker.
The Chesapeake Bay Trust Remembers the Visionary Leadership of Governor Harry Hughes

"The Chesapeake Bay Trust is heartbroken to learn of the passing of Governor Hughes. Governor Hughes was the vision behind the creation of the Trust, an entity meant to help community groups on the ground, and a member of our family for the past 34 years. He will be greatly missed." Jana Davis, executive director.

Learn more 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. Tickets available here.

GRANTEE RESOURCES
**Project Highlight: Town of Cheverly - Boyd Park and 64th Avenue Retrofit**

Stormwater runoff can result in flooding, erosion, and polluted waterways. To reduce the impacts of stormwater runoff, the Town of Cheverly installed two rain gardens and planted 30 trees at Boyd Park. The rain gardens and trees capture polluted runoff, allow it to soak into the ground, and keep pollutants out of local waterways. This project was funded through the [Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program](https://www.srt.org), a partnership between the County and the Trust.

Read more about this project on the Trust blog, [here](https://www.srt.org).

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**Project Highlight: Anne Arundel Land conservation easements to protect special places.**

Scenic Rivers Land Trust closed on a conservation easement to permanently protect 111 acres in Anne Arundel County. Partnering with Maryland Environmental Trust and working with grant funding through the Chesapeake Bay Trust's [Anne Arundel County Forestry and Forested Land Protection Grant Program](https://www.srt.org), Scenic Rivers was able to help the property owner protect land that has been in her family for more than 100 years from development, while conserving vital forested land, wetlands, and green space in Anne Arundel County.

To date, Scenic Rivers holds 66 conservation easements across the county, totaling nearly 2,900 acres—or about one percent of county land. To learn about Scenic Rivers’ conservation and preservation programs, visit [www.srlt.org](https://www.srlt.org).

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**Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience On-line Course Announced!**

Partners from the [Chesapeake Bay Program Education Workgroup](https://www.srt.org) are excited to announce the launch of an online course created to provide in-depth understanding of the Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience (MWEE 101) for both formal and non-formal educators. MWEE 101 is a free resource based on An Educator’s Guide to the Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience and comprises three
lessons: Why MWEEs?, What Makes a MWEE?, and Planning and Evaluating MWEEs. Throughout the course participants will gain an extensive understanding of the essential elements and supporting practices by following a series of case study videos and by looking at examples of completed planning and implementation tools including the Environmental Literacy Model (ELM). Learn more here.

**CHANGE IN APPLICATION TIMELINE: Mini Environmental Education Grant Program to Move Next Deadline to June.**

Chesapeake Bay Trust’s [Mini Environmental Education Grant Program](http://example.com), established to provide accessible funds to schools, organizations, and agencies to support educating students about their local environment, is moving its next program application deadline from August to June 2019 to better serve school calendars. Look for program opening in early April. As it becomes available, more information will be posted here.

**AROUND THE BAY**

- **Watershed Restoration Projects Announced.** The Trust, in partnership with the [Maryland Department of Natural Resources](http://example.com), The [Maryland Department of the Environment](http://example.com), and the [Chesapeake Bay Program](http://example.com) announced ten project awards in the most recent program application. Read more here.

- **Bay Journal Remembers Governor Harry Hughes.** Learn more about the legacy this "low-key steward" leaves behind and his history of advocacy for the Chesapeake Bay. Read more here.

- **President’s 2020 Budget Slashes Bay funding by 90%.** [Chesapeake Bay Magazine](http://example.com) reports on a devastating proposal to reduce support for Chesapeake Bay steward efforts. Read more here.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **Nature City Forum "Building Community through Green Infrastructure":** March 26th, 8:30a-4:30p, Brookside Gardens, Wheaton. A full day exploration of green infrastructure with designers, practitioners, planners, and advocates. The day will include tools and research on the planning and implementation of green infrastructure for climate resiliency, community building, human health, and ecological benefit.

- **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.

**Ellicott City Soak It Up Community Gathering Day:** Saturday, May 18th, 1p-4p. 3695 Rogers Ave., Ellicott City. Offering walking tours, introduction to biochar and demonstration, stormwater education and free tree giveaway (for Howard County residents.)

**Lecture and Dinner at Ladew Gardens:** "Enjoying the Outdoors Safely in the Age of Lyme disease." Thursday, June 6th. 3535 Jarrettsville Pike, Monkton. Dr. John Aucott, Director of Johns Hopkins Lyme Disease Clinical research Center, will discuss the current outlook for ticks and tick-borne diseases in Maryland.

**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.
What do you love about the Chesapeake Bay?

Whether you love swimming in the waters, fishing the rivers, kayaking along the shores, hiking by mountain streams, dining on crabs and oysters, or exploring the unique wildlife and ecosystems with your friends and family, it's time to start thinking about Spring in the watershed. Check it to protect it! Make a **100% deductible donation** to support the [Chesapeake Bay and Endangered Species Fund](#) using line 35 on your Maryland State tax form.

The Chesapeake Bay Trust recognizes these [CPA firms](#) who have committed to working toward a healthy bay. When considering professional tax help, please study our [CPA’s for a Healthy Bay](#).

**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](#)

**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](https://twitter.com/baytrust), Facebook [@chesapeakebaytrust](https://www.facebook.com/chesapeakebaytrust), and Instagram [@chesapeakebaytrust](https://www.instagram.com/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](mailto:cedson@cbtrust.org) and let the Trust help you tell your story!

**SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR 2019 TREASURE THE CHESAPEAKE SPONSORS**
ABOUT THE TRUST

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.