



Prince George's County Newsletter

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News & Updates



Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Awards Announced

The Prince George's County Government and the Chesapeake Bay Trust announce the fifth year of [Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship](#) awards made through our partnership to support projects that aid the community while treating and controlling stormwater. The goal of this program is to improve communities, improve water quality in the County's waterways, and engage County residents in stormwater issues.

This year's grantees include four municipalities who will use the \$644,816 awarded to support stormwater projects to clean and green their community. The awardees and their projects descriptions are as follows:

Town of Capitol Heights will implement a "green street" on Chamber Avenue that will include pilot stormwater practices which will serve as an example of implementing green infrastructure for roadway improvements and

City of District Heights will implement a bioretention project adjacent to the walking trail on District Heights Parkway on Rochelle Avenue. The design for this project was funded by an earlier Prince George's

other "grey" infrastructure efforts in the Town.

Town of Edmonston will implement green streets on Ingraham Street between 46th Avenue and Lafayette Street, further demonstrating green infrastructure efforts in the Town and including an industrial pilot for future replication.

Stormwater Stewardship award.

City of Mount Rainier will design and implement bioretention stormwater retrofit projects in City right-of-ways to reduce stormwater runoff, improve safety, beautify the community, and improve water quality in the Anacostia River Watershed.

Congratulations to this year's awardees!



Prince George's County Litter Reduction Mini Grant Opportunity

Join the fight against litter for a [#LitterFreePGC!](#)

The [Prince George's County Litter Reduction and Citizen Engagement Mini Grant Program](#) is currently open and accepting applications. Community-based organizations (homeowner associations, civic associations, and nonprofits) and small municipalities can receive funding for litter reduction and litter-related citizen engagement projects that educate residents, students, and businesses about ways to make their communities cleaner and greener.

If you are a resident interested in participating, we encourage you to reach out to your community organization and share this opportunity.

THANK YOU!

A big thanks to our grantees for their efforts in 2018 to improve communities, improve water quality, and engage County residents in the restoration and protection of local streams and rivers. We appreciate all the work you've done!

We can't wait to see what you do next in 2019!

Project Highlights



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](#), a partnership between the County and the Trust.

Read more about this project on the Trust blog, [here](#).



DuVal High School - Courtyard Rain Garden

DuVal High School received a grant award through the [Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program](#) to install a rain garden on campus that not only reduces stormwater runoff on campus, but also provides an educational opportunity for students. Teachers and students are encouraged to use the rain garden as an outdoor classroom where students can study native plants and pollinators and use the garden to inspire art and poetry.

Read more about this project on the Trust blog, [here](#).

We Want to Hear from You!

Send us your photos, project success stories, and upcoming events to Nguyen Le at nle@cbtrust.org to be featured in a future newsletter.

Events and Opportunities



Win the Best Urban BMP in the Bay Award (BUBBA)!

The 2019 BUBBAs contest recognizes the best practices and programs being implemented in the urban environment across the Chesapeake Bay watershed. Entries will be accepted in seven categories: Best Habitat Creation, Best Residential Stewardship Practice, Best Stream Restoration Practice, Best Green Infrastructure Practice, Best Retrofit, Best Outreach Campaign, and Most Sustainable Stormwater Facility. Contest submissions will be accepted until April 5th. Learn more about contest rules, eligibility, and category descriptions, [here](#).

ReUse-a-Palooza: A Conservation Event

Friday, February 1st - 7pm
Kentland Community Center, Landover

Discover recycling resources, watch themed conservation films, and more at this family friendly event! [Learn more...](#)

Sustainable Landscape Design

Saturday, February 16th - 1pm
Behnke Nurseries, Beltsville

Explore the concept of stewardship and sustainability in this introduction to landscape design! [Learn more...](#)

Creating a Rain Garden

Sunday, March 3rd - 1pm

Be a River Restoration Intern with the Anacostia Watershed Society!

The Anacostia Watershed Society is now accepting applications for their Spring 2019 River Restoration Internship. These internships provide hands-on experience in the world of watershed stewardship, ecological restoration, low impact development, and biodiversity conservation. Learn more about the position and how to apply, [here](#).

Behnke Nurseries, Beltsville

Learn about rain gardens, how to install one, and ways to subsidize the cost of the project through programs like Rain Check Rebate!

[Learn more...](#)

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.

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