



Prince George's County Newsletter

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News and Projects

As we continue to face the uncertainty of this health crisis together, please know that your well-being is of the utmost importance to all of us at the Chesapeake Bay Trust and Prince George's County Department of the Environment. We continue to spend this time working hard to keep the Prince George's County grant-supported projects and the Rain Check Rebate programs going and to make sure that the Chesapeake and other natural resources keep improving. There is much to appreciate in the beauty of natural resources and those working hard to protect them.

Free Workshop: Residential Landscaping Projects for Stormwater Management Workshops



Learn about how to receive free rain barrels and landscaping projects at your home!

The Environmental Finance Center at the University of Maryland, Maryland Black Mayors, Inc., and the Anacostia Watershed Society are pleased to invite homeowners of

Brentwood, Cheverly, Colmar Manor, Fairmount Heights, Forest Heights and North Brentwood to attend a free workshop.

Attendees will hear about the Maryland Black Mayors Advancing Stormwater Management project which has funding for homeowners who qualify to receive free rain barrels, native gardens, and/or trees installed at their property! Learn about why stormwater is an environmental concern and what you can do to be part of the clean water solution! Pre-registration is required.

Cost: Free!

Where: VIRTUAL via Zoom

When: Tuesday June 8th, 7:00 – 8:00pm

[**Learn More and Register**](#)



Maintenance for Stormwater Practices – If we build it, can we maintain it?

**Wednesday May 26,
1pm to 5pm**

Join us to share what has worked, what has not worked, and what we can do differently today so that our stormwater practices are better maintained. Our goal is to see what is happening that is working and that we can put into practice to move maintenance forward in our work. The Chesapeake Bay Trust aims to leave this discussion with one or two ideas we can implement in our grant-making to improve project sustainability and we hope that attendees will do the same.

The agenda is packed with experts in the field organized by topic, to facilitate our thinking and learning.

[Register Here](#)



Non-Profit Fraud Awareness: Case Studies and Best Practices to Mitigate Risk

**Monday, June 7, 2021
2pm - 3pm EDT**

Please join us for an informative discussion on fraud awareness and potential challenges facing non-profit organizations. During this session, gain valuable insight on the various types of fraud and best practices to manage risk. You will hear real world examples from experts in the banking, accounting, information technology, and insurance industries followed by a brief Q&A session. The Chesapeake Bay Trust is committed to raising awareness within our grantee community about the risk of fraudulent activities and ways to prevent them.

[Register Here](#)



THE CICADAS ARE COMING!

Yes, the large, Brood X winged bugs are emerging in the area and you can expect a lot of loud noise, but don't worry! They're harmless and will be gone in four to six weeks.

- Cicadas can damage the branches of small trees, so consider enclosing them in half-inch mesh netting for protection.
- Don't use insecticides of any kind! They won't prevent the cicadas and could end up killing off bees and butterflies.
- They don't bite or sting, but they might fly into you or lay on you. Let 'em be, and they'll be gone before you know it!
- For more information, visit bit.ly/MDbroodX2021.





¡LLEGAN LAS CIGARRAS!

Sí, los grandes insectos alados de cría X están surgiendo en el área y puede esperar mucho ruido fuerte, ¡pero no se preocupe! Son inofensivos y desaparecerán en cuatro a seis semanas.

- Las cigarras pueden dañar las ramas de los árboles pequeños, así que considere encerrarlas en una malla de media pulgada para su protección.
- ¡No use insecticidas de ningún tipo! No evitarán las cigarras y podrían acabar matando abejas y mariposas.
- No muerden ni pican, pero pueden volar hacia usted o caer sobre usted. ¡Déjalos en paz y desaparecerán antes de que te des cuenta!
- Para obtener más información, visite bit.ly/MDbroodX2021.



Be Featured in Our Newsletter!

Send us any news, photos, project success stories, and upcoming events to Kathy Somoza at ksomoza@cbtrust.org to be featured in an upcoming newsletter.



Events and Opportunities

Anacostia River Boat Tour

Thursday, May 27 - 6pm to 8pm
Anacostia Watershed Society, 11th Street
Bridge

Watkins Youth Birding Club

Saturday, June 12 - 8am to 10am
MNCPPC, Watkins Nature Center

Explore the Anacostia River and experience the joy of being out on the water! Anacostia Watershed Society staff will take participants on a one hour tour of the river while discussing natural and cultural history along with restoration efforts. [Learn more](#)

Woodmore Workday

Thursday, June 3 - 2pm to 4pm
Anacostia Watershed Society, Woodmore Elementary School

Join Anacostia Watershed Society in the installation of an outdoor classroom at Woodmore Elementary School! This project is a part of our Treating and Teaching program, a collaborative effort several nonprofit partners. [Learn more](#)

Residential Landscaping Projects for Stormwater Management Workshops

Tuesday, June 8 - 7pm to 8pm
Environmental Finance Center, Virtual

Homeowners of Brentwood, Cheverly, Colmar Manor, Fairmount Heights, Forest Heights and North Brentwood are invited to hear about the Maryland Black Mayors Advancing Stormwater Management project, which has funding for homeowners who qualify to receive free rain barrels, native gardens, and/or trees installed at their property! [Learn more](#)

Faithful Green Leaders Training

Saturday, June 10 - 7pm to 8:30pm
Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake, Virtual

RSVP for IPC's Online Faithful Green Leaders Training where you will learn how to establish and grow a green team at your congregation, exciting environmental education programs to engage your congregation, and more! [Learn more](#)

Calling all young wildlife enthusiasts, ages 10-17, who enjoy hiking and the outdoors to join the Watkins Youth Birding Club. You will learn skills like using binoculars and a scope, learn how to recognize and identify birds and start a "Life List." [Learn More](#)

NatureCity Forum

Wednesday, June 16 to Thursday, June 17 - 9am to 1pm
Greater Baltimore Wilderness Coalition, Virtual

Join this two-day dialogue to explore themes such as equitable access to green space, community engagement, green infrastructure, the health benefits of nature, and much more. [Learn more](#)

Job Opportunity: Programmatic Intern

Summer 2021 (full-time)
Chesapeake Bay Trust, Annapolis (remote)

The Chesapeake Bay Trust seeks an intern to complete a variety of administrative grant-related tasks, some fieldwork to assess restoration projects, and an independent project of the student's choosing related to watershed issues and aligned with the Trust's mission. [Learn more](#)

Free K-12 Virtual Tutoring Available

Ongoing
University of Maryland, Virtual

Is your child in need of academic support? Sign up for free, one-on-one K-12 virtual tutoring with The Every Child Project! [Learn more](#)

Due to COVID-19's impact on our region, many in-person events have moved to remote meetings, were postponed, or were cancelled. As information becomes available, the County's updates and resources are [here](#).

Stay safe and healthy, Prince George's County!

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 \$120 million in grants and projects that have engaged over 2 million dedicated individuals in efforts that are making a difference for all of our local systems—Chesapeake, Coastal Bays, and Youghiogheny.

For nearly two decades, the Trust has received a "4-star rating" from Charity Navigator, the nation's leading independent evaluator of nonprofit organizations.

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