



Prince George's County Newsletter

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News & Updates

Grant Opportunity: Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship



The Prince George's County Government and the Chesapeake Bay Trust are excited to announce the sixth year of our partnership for the [Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program](#).

What this funds: This program funds on-the-ground restoration activities that improve neighborhoods, improve water quality, and engage Prince George's County residents in the restoration and protection of local rivers and streams.

Who can apply: Nonprofit organizations, municipalities, watershed organizations, education institutions, community associations, faith-based organizations, civic groups, and more.

Project types requested:

- Water quality projects (track 1) for \$50,000 to \$200,000
- Tree planting projects (track 2) for \$50,000 to \$150,000
- Citizen awareness and engagement projects (track 3) for \$5,000 to \$50,000

Project location: Prince George's County, Maryland, excluding the City of Bowie. All projects are done in and support citizens of Prince George's County.

Review process: All applications go through a Technical Review Committee. The technical team reviews the proposals based on cost benefit, experience, suitability for implementation, consistency with the Request for Proposals (RFP), sustainability, and other selection criteria that are relevant to the proposal and identified in the RFP.

Applications are due December 5, 2019. Learn more about the program, download the RFP, and complete the online application at cbtrust.org/pgss. Learn about previously funded projects through this program [here](#).

We'll also be at the [Prince George's County Green Summit](#) on Saturday, October 12th. Stop by to learn more!

Introducing a New Resource in Your Grant Application Process

The image is a screenshot of a video player interface. At the top left, there is a circular logo with 'CBTRUST' inside. To its right, the video title 'How to Apply for a Chesapeake Bay Trust Grant and Other Award Opportunities' is displayed in blue text. Below the title, it says 'from Chesapeake Bay Trust'. The main content of the video is a large blue title 'How to Apply for a Chesapeake Bay Trust Grant and Other Award Opportunities' in a bold, sans-serif font. Below this title is a rectangular image featuring a bridge, water, and the text 'CBTRUST Chesapeake Bay Trust'. At the bottom of the video player, there is a play button icon, a progress bar showing '13:11', and a 'vimeo' logo in the bottom right corner. On the right side of the video player, there are three icons: a heart, a clock, and a share icon.

The Chesapeake Bay Trust is excited to introduce this new tool to guide applicants through the grant application process from start to finish.

[Watch the video](#) to learn about the Chesapeake Bay Trust, our programs and opportunities, and how to submit a complete application package.

The Chesapeake Bay Trust's grant-making strategies are shaped by three core objectives: demonstration-based restoration, community engagement, and environmental education.

We collaborate with a host of federal, state, and county agencies on their grant programs and specific initiatives to support restoration and outreach programs throughout the region.

In Prince George's County, the Chesapeake Bay Trust and the Prince George's County Government announced their sixth year of partnership for the [Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program](#) and the [Prince George's County Rain Check Rebate Program](#). The Chesapeake Bay Trust also supports projects in Prince George's County through other grant programs.

Learn about our programs and find open opportunities at cbtrust.org/grants.

Project Highlights from Awardees of the Prince George's Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program

ECO City Farms Helps Improve Water Quality for the Anacostia River



Urban agriculture enhances food security, improves neighborhood relationships, and demonstrates small scale farming that can be replicated by those living in cities and urban centers.

[ECO City Farms](#) is a nonprofit organization in Prince George's County that grows food, farms, and farmers in ways that protect, restore, and sustain the natural environment and the health of local communities.

In 2015, ECO City Farms received a grant award through the [Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program](#) to install a stormwater management system at their Edmonston Farm.

Located adjacent to the Anacostia River, polluted runoff around the farm would flow directly into the river. The volume of runoff entering the river also contributed to erosion of the river banks. Now, this system captures stormwater runoff and reduces its impacts on the farm and the river. Educational signage tells visitors about the restoration efforts onsite and provides pointers for how citizens could do something similar at their home or business. After the installation, ECO City Farms saw major improvements in the site's drainage with less occurrence of pooling and standing water around

growing beds.

Learn more about this project on the Chesapeake Bay Trust blog [here](#).

We Want to Hear from You!

Keep us updated! Send us any news, photos, project success stories, and upcoming events to Nguyen Le at nle@cbtrust.org to be featured in an upcoming newsletter.



Events and Opportunities

Patuxent Wildlife Festival

Saturday, October 6th - 10am to 3pm
National Wildlife Visitor Center, Laurel

See what it's like in a day in the life of a wildlife researcher! Come meet wildlife researchers, ride the wildlife conservation tram tour, experience live animals, kids crafts, short films, and more! [Learn more](#)

Festival del Rio Anacostia (Anacostia River Festival)

Saturday, October 12th - 11am to 4pm
Bladensburg Waterfront Park, Bladensburg

Connect with your Anacostia River and enjoy family friendly environmental activities and exhibitions, food, fishing, and live performances! [Learn more](#)

Prince George's County Green Summit

Saturday, October 12th - 10am to 3pm
Kentland Community Center, Landover

Join your Prince George's County Department of the Environment, partners, and presenters for a family friendly event featuring green vendors, DIY workshops, tours, and more! [Learn more](#)

Living Architecture: Green Walls for Residential and Community Scales

Thursday, October 24th - 6pm to 8pm
University of Maryland, College Park

Learn from experts on how you can use green walls, green roofs, and vertical gardens in your community! [Learn more](#)

ABOUT THE CHESAPEAKE BAY 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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