

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



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MONTGOMERY COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

TreeVitalize Watershed Grants

Private/Public collaboration in Southeastern Pennsylvania – Coordinated by Pennsylvania Horticultural Society with funding provided by DCNR, DEP, Aqua PA, PECO, & the Philadelphia Eagles.

Funding available to municipalities for tree planting projects relating to stormwater management facilities, riparian areas, and adjacent uplands.

Grants range on avg. \$2000 - \$15,000

Grant applications are due to the Conservation Districts by December for projects to be completed in 2014.

www.treevitalize.net



Schuylkill River Restoration Fund

Administered by Schuylkill River Heritage Area, with funds being provided primarily by Exelon, Philadelphia Water Department & Aqua PA.

Watershed Restoration grants are available to non-profit organizations, County & Municipal governments, and other related government agencies to undertake implementation projects that will improve the quality and quantity of water in the Schuylkill River and its tributaries.

Grants range on avg. \$20,000 - \$50,000.

Notice of Intent to apply is due in April, and full applications from invited organizations are due end of May. Grants are awarded around August for a two year term.

www.schuylkillriver.org/restoration_fund



WREN Watershed Education & Source Water Protection Grants

The Watershed Education Grant Program seeks to raise public awareness, encourage behavior change and improve public policies to protect water resources. WREN invites grant proposals for Watershed Protection Education from local coalitions that will raise awareness and educate Pennsylvania citizens, local officials, and other community stakeholders about their roles as environmental stewards to protect, improve, or remediate the watershed from the impacts of polluted runoff.

\$5000 max award to protect, improve, or remediate the watershed from the impacts of polluted runoff. Source Water protection grants up to \$7000.

2014 Grant applications will be due in March for implementation July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015

www.wren.palwv.org



Urban Waters Small Grant

This EPA grant program will fund research, training, and demonstrations that will advance the restoration of urban waters by improving water quality in urban areas. This program recognizes that healthy and accessible urban waters can help grow local businesses and enhance educational, recreational, social, and employment opportunities in nearby communities.

EPA expects to award approximately \$1.6 million to support such projects, in grants of \$40,000 to \$60,000 each. Proposal Due Date: November 25, 2013.

<http://www2.epa.gov/urbanwaters/urban-waters-small-grants>



Department of Environmental Protection

Environmental Education Grants – Applications round will be announced in November with applications due January 2014. Maximum award is \$7500

Funding available for Watershed awareness programs, Stormwater tours/workshops, water quality testing, interpretive signs/areas.

Growing Greener Grants – Watch for guidance to be released around April, 2014. In SE PA between 2009-2012 the Avg. grant award = \$125,000 and highest grant award = \$375,000

Funding for implementation projects including Rain gardens, basin retrofits, riparian buffers, constructed wetlands, capture and reuse systems.

www.depweb.state.pa.us



Five Star Restoration Program

Funding for on-the-ground wetland, riparian, in stream and/or coastal habitat restoration.

Program coordination and funding is provided through The National Association of Counties, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF), and the Wildlife Habitat Council (WHC), in cooperation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), USDA Forest Service (USFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Southern Company, FedEx and others

The Five Star program provides \$20,000 to \$50,000 grants with an average award size of \$25,000. Grants that are in the \$30,000-\$50,000 range are typically two years and are in urban areas.

2014 Grant cycle to be announced in November with full proposals due in February

www.nfwf.org



Environmental Solutions for Communities

The National Fish & Wildlife Foundation and Wells Fargo will award grants to support highly visible projects that link economic development and community well-being to the stewardship and health of the environment. Demonstration projects considered will include those within urban communities that focus on 'greening' traditional infrastructure and public projects such as storm water management and flood control, public park enhancements, and renovations to public facilities.

Proposal Due Date: December 16, 2013. Grant awards will typically range from \$25,000 to \$100,000 with an average grant amount of \$40,000.

<http://www.nfwf.org/environmentalsolutions>



Consortium for Scientific Assistance to Watersheds

Program - The goal for C-SAW is to transfer knowledge and skills to watershed groups, municipalities, institutions, and project sponsors thereby helping to build their capacity to plan and conduct watershed assessments, and conduct post-implementation monitoring. C-SAW can provide:

- Specialists who can help identify solutions and assist your group in the development of monitoring programs, restoration projects, and plans for protection.
- Training or conducting assessments and developing restoration projects and protection plans.

<http://pa.water.usgs.gov/csaw>



PA Fish and Boat Commission

Technical Assistance Program for Habitat Enhancement and Restoration for Streams & Lakes. Program provides assistance for project review, design, permitting, and on site field construction oversight to individuals, organizations, and agencies in Waters of the Commonwealth.

Perkiomen Creek is a priority watershed in this region, however all are encouraged to apply.

www.fishandboat.com/habitat.htm



Montgomery County Conservation District Watershed Program

Technical support available to municipalities, institutions, non-profits, businesses, and residents who are looking to implement watershed restoration, or stormwater management improvements.

www.montgomeryconservation.org



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