

COMMUNITY STORMWATER SOLUTIONS GRANTS

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AGENDA

» Grant overview and purpose

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- » Review stormwater issues
- » Grant project areas
- » Who and how to apply
- » Scoring
- » Timeline
- » Q&A

PURPOSE

- » Improve District's watershed and waterbodies
- » Build capacity among community-based organizations and small businesses
- » Raise awareness about stormwater issues
- » Achieve quantifiable results
- » Foster innovation and creative ideas
- » Provide short-term, start-up funding for communityoriented projects



OVERVIEW

- » \$200,000 available
- » Each project can request up to \$20,000
- » Funding is provided on a reimbursement basis, advances available on a limited basis.
- » Grants are awarded through a competitive selection process.
- » Projects will generally run from April 2018 through April 30, 2019.



Why is stormwater runoff an issue?

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When rain falls in the District.....

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and becomes Stormwater Runoff

So... why do we care?

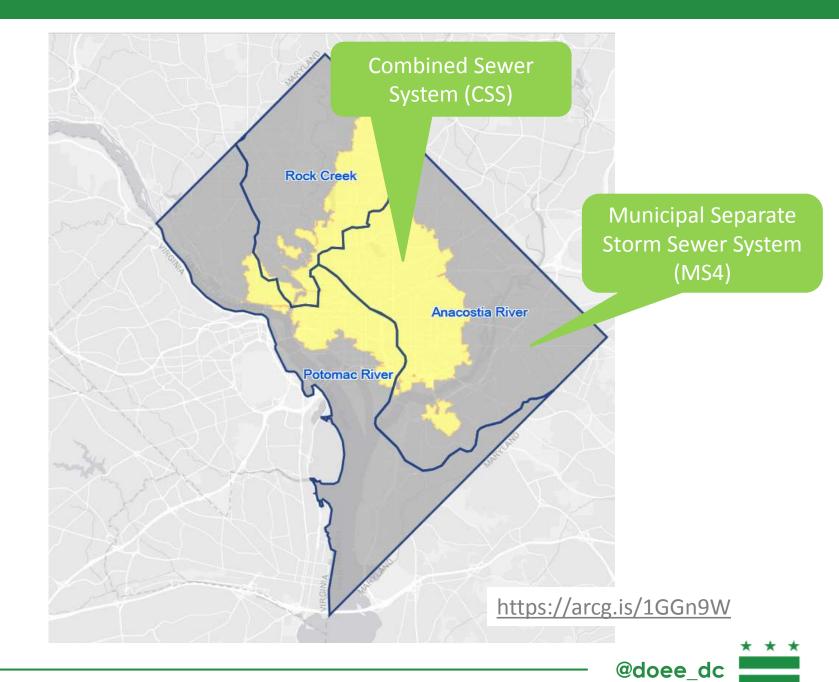


Trash

Oil, gas, and other transportation -related pollutant runoff

Flooding

Stream bank erosion



The District's Strategy against Stormwater Runoff

Incentive programs

RiverSmart Homes, Schools, Communities Green Roof Rebates RiverSmart Rewards Stormwater Retention Credit Trading

Laws and regulations

5 cent Bag Fee Ban on coal tar pavement products Foam Ban Stormwater Management Regulations

Issue competitive grants

Community Stormwater Solutions Grants!!!





Community Stormwater Solutions Grants

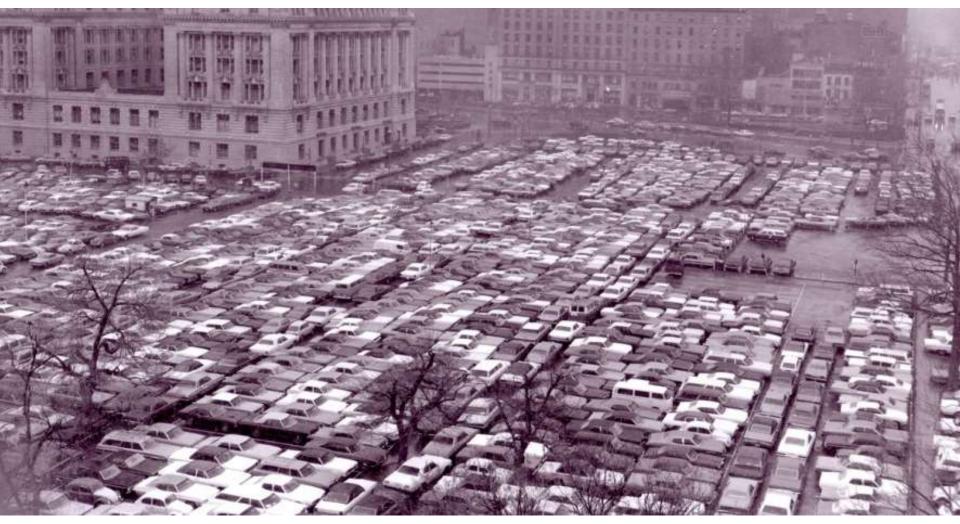


PROJECT AREAS

- 1. Install green infrastructure
- 2. Maintain existing green infrastructure
- 3. Provide pathways to green jobs
- 4. Restore native habitat
- 5. Litter clean up
- 6. Prevent pollution from entering District water bodies through stormwater runoff.
- 7. Engage communities, raise awareness, and bring about behavior change on issues impacting water quality
- 8. Commemorate 2018 as the "Year of the Anacostia"



1. INSTALL GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE





Green infrastructure allows stormwater to be absorbed into the ground, reducing the impact of stormwater runoff on District water bodies. Coupled with significant community engagement, even small installations can make a big difference.

COMMON GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PRACTICES:

- Green roofs **》**
- Rain gardens **》**
- Rainwater harvesting **》**
- Permeable pavers **》**







2. MAINTAIN EXISTING GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE





Green infrastructure already exists at many schools, residential properties, commercial buildings, and along roadways.

DOEE'S EXISTING INITIATIVES/PRIORITIES:

- » Develop and implement an "adopta-…" program focused on getting residents, businesses, or school involved in maintaining green infrastructure in their area
- Train and incorporate green infrastructure maintenance into existing maintenance staff or street team activities
- Offer maintenance workshops focused on teaching RiverSmart Homes participants to maintain their rain barrels, rain gardens, permeable pavers, and BayScaping projects





3. PROVIDE PATHWAYS TO GREEN JOBS





Jobs focused on trash prevention, watershed health, and stormwater management are emerging job fields. Proposals in this category should focus on training and connecting the District workforce to these types of jobs.

DOEE'S EXISTING INITIATIVES/PRIORITIES:

- Developed curriculum and provided hands-on activities to participants of a summer youth program
- » Train and employ youth workers to maintain native plant garden





4. RESTORE NATIVE HABITAT





Many of District's natural areas are overrun by **invasive plant** species. Proposals in this category should focus on removing invasive species, replanting with natives, engaging residents, and creating new native habitats.

PRIORITY AREAS FOR INVASIVE SPECIES REMOVAL:

- » Kingman Island
- » Heritage Island
- » Pope Branch
- » Alger Park
- » DPR sites with forested areas







5. LITTER CLEAN UP





Trash is one of the leading causes of pollution in the District's water bodies. Storm drains in the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) areas of the District lead directly to our streams.

PRIORITY AREAS TRASH CLEAN-UPS:

- » MS4
- » In-Stream
- » Neighborhoods
- » Commercial Areas









6. POLLUTION PREVENTION





Stormwater runoff is the leading cause of stream impairment in urban areas. Many outdoor activities (product storage, manufacturing processing, loading/unloading operations, pet care) contribute to degraded water quality when proper measures are not followed

DOEE'S EXISTING INITIATIVES/PRIORITIES:

- » Stormwater-safe car washing kits that could be loaned to groups planning car wash fundraisers
- » Education on proper outdoor storage of pollutants at home or businesses
- » Education on proper fertilizer and pesticide application at home and how to use integrated pest management and alternative products to minimize environmental impacts
- Outreach and education on pet waste, including installation and maintenance of pet waste bag dispensers





7. ENGAGE, RAISE AWARENESS, CHANGE BEHAVIOR





Priority subject areas include stormwater management, trash, pollution prevention, and watershed restoration.

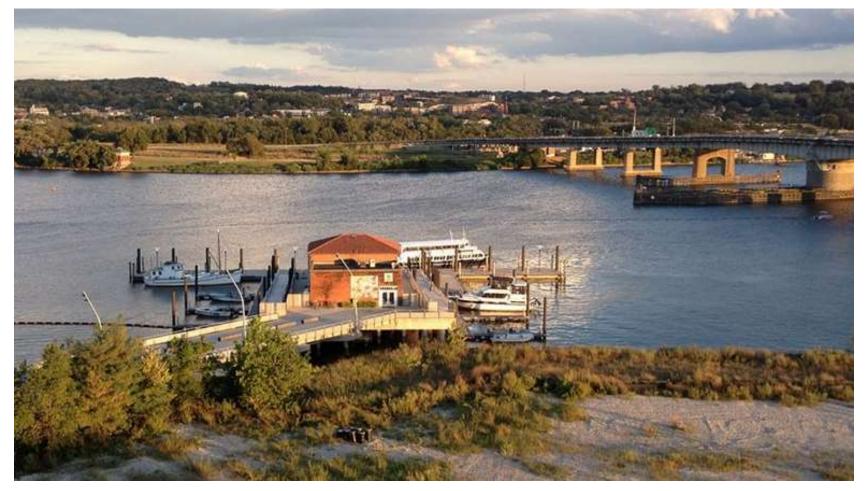
DOEE'S EXISTING INITIATIVES/PRIORITIES:

- » Promote the District's Zero Waste DC initiative focused on the District's recent ban on food service ware made of expanded polystyrene and other projects that cannot be recycled or composted.
- » Conduct targeted outreach on DOEE's RiverSmart Homes program in Wards 7 and 8, and specifically in Congress Heights, Fairlawn, Deanwood, Benning Ridge, Marshall Heights, and Lincoln Heights.
- » Conduct outreach to neighborhoods prone to interior flooding. See DC Silver Jackets report.
- Improve visibility of existing RiverSmart Homes projects through installation of yard signs (500 signs are already printed and ready for installation)





8. COMMEMORATE 2018 AS THE "YEAR OF THE ANACOSTIA"





The Year of the Anacostia commemorates the 100th year anniversary of Anacostia Park and the many events and milestones that will be celebrated along the river in 2018.

Projects may include activities that improve water quality, promote sustainable development, and create opportunities on and along the Anacostia River.





WHO CAN APPLY?

- » Nonprofits
- » Faith-based organizations
- » Government agencies
- » Schools, universities, and other educational institutions
- » Businesses

Applicant must be physically located in the District.

Individuals and other unincorporated groups are encouraged to partner with an eligible applicant as a "fiscal agent."

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HOW TO APPLY

Online application through **ZoomGrants**. Link to the application is in the RFA.

Read the RFA and attach all required documents to the online application.

Do not submit anything by email, fax, or in person.

Deadline: 6pm on January 26. The online system will close at 6pm SHARP.



Follow the link from the RFA...

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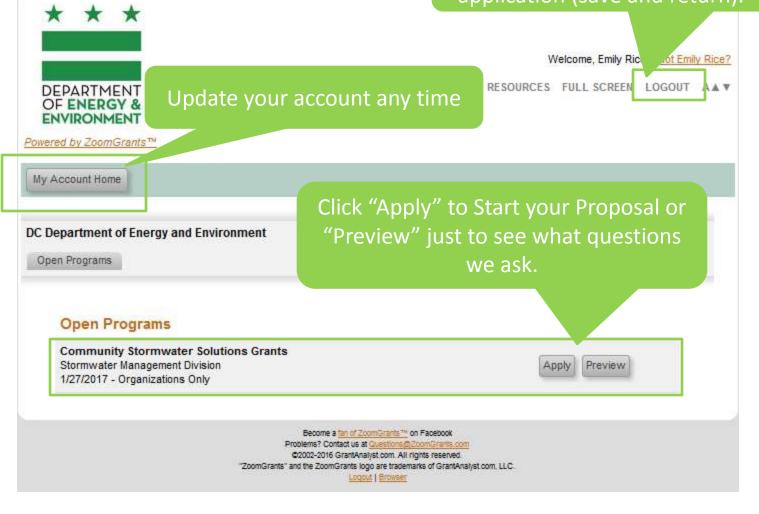
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Application Questions Tab, Part 1

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Community Stormwater Solutions Grants - 2018	
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Each of the essay questions are assigned a character limit. Assume that 3,000 character limit active please be concise. You do not need to fill the entire box with text.	ept more characters than allowable.
Basic Location Information 1. Describe where your project will be located.	
<i>Provide an address or closest street and cross street or describe your project area. Projects must take place in the District.</i>	
Maximum characters: 1000. You have 1000 characters left.	
2. Is your project on National Park Service land? If yes, submit a letter of support from National Park Service explicitly stating their support and role in the project. Yes No	
3. Is your project LOCATED AT a DC Public School? (Example: you propose to work with students at a school to crea If yes, complete Appendix 6 Initial Project Feasibility Form and submit to DCPS Central Office. Allow at least 10 business days for their r Yes No	
4. Does your project INVOLVE a DC Public School? (Example: You propose to work with teachers to develop curricul If yes, submit a letter of support from the school's principal and participating teachers stating the role the school will play in implement	



Application Questions Tab, Part 2

Project Description

7. Check each of the project areas your project and project areas your project ar

You may select more than one.

- Install green infrastructure
- Maintain existing green infrastructure
- Provide pathways to green jobs focused on stormwater solutions
- Restore native habitat
- Clean Up an area affected by high volumes of litter or address ca
- Prevent pollution from entering District water bodies through sto
- Engage communities, raise awareness, and bring about behavior change on issues impacting water quality, including stormwater management, trash, pollution prevention, and watershed restoration

Answer a series of questions about the project

8. Provide a brief overview of the project.

This is your elevator speech.

Maximum characters: 1000. You have 1000 characters left.

9. Provide a full project description.

Be sure to describe your project in terms of the project areas you selected above.

Maximum characters: 3000. You have 3000 characters left.

10. Describe who your project partners are. Include contact persons for each partner and describe how the partner fits into your project's scope. If you do not have a project partner, state that in the text box below.

A project partner is a person or entity that is integral to carrying out your project. If you indicate one or more partners below, you must also provide a letter of support in the attachments section.

Maximum characters: 1500. You have 1500 characters left.

11. Describe your target audience.

Indicate why this is your the target audience. You must provide a letter of support from an a person or entity representing your target audience.



Application Questions Tab, Part 3

About the Applicant 20. Describe your business, group, or organization. Include hist	Tell us who you are and who will be working on the project	ppacity to achieve the project's goals.
Maximum characters: 1500. You have 1500 characters left.		
21. List key personnel working on the project and provide a brie For each of these, you must upload a resume or bio in the "Attachments" s		
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22. List any competitive grants or contracts you have received in List the grant/contract name, the supporting agency, and award amount.	n the last five years from a District of Columbia government agency.	



Budget Tab, Part 1

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Budget Tab, Part 2

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Direct Costs

Please modify the Item Description to fit your project's budget. The Item Descriptions below are examples.

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Budget Tab, Part 3

Now tell us about your budget

Budget Narrative (Discuss/justify the items and amounts you entered above.)

Please refer to Section 3 of the Request for Applications (RFA) at <u>doee.dc.qov/release/community-stormwater-solutions-notice-funding-availability</u> for a description of what to include in your budget narrative.

DOEE provides funding on a reimbursement basis; however, under limited circumstances, DOEE may allow for an advance of funds for grant administration expenses. Advances must be requested in your budget narrative in order to be considered. If requesting an advance, provide the amount of funding you would need advanced and why. Advances are made at DOEE's sole discretion.

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Tables Tab, Part 1

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2) Project Outcomes, Outputs, and Activities Be sure to complete both!	Provide a detailed timeline for the project

Project Timeline

Only use the rows you need. You cannot add any new rows or move rows around.

Include start date, work events, outreach activities, major project phases, key tasks (like getting a permit), and estimated completion date. Use as many lines as are needed. Think broadly but provide enough details to demonstrate you have thought through the major tasks.

Tasks to be complete	Parties responsible
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Tables Tab, Part 2

Project Activities and Outcomes

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An activity is undertaken to achieve the outcomes. Ex.

secience teachers at local high school to engage students in the project by growing plants for green roof and designing informational sign.

An outcome is a medium- to long-term result(s) that occurs an

roject ends. Example: local high school students learn about stormwater issues in the District.

1	Activities	Describe the project's outcomes, outputs, and activities
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Attachments!

Basic Info Application Questions Budget Tables

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Activity Log

Attachments

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IRS W-9 tax form	Required	-none-	Upload
Current fiscal year budget	Required	-none-	Upload
Financial statements	Required	-none-	Upload
Separation of duties policy	Required	-none-	Upload
Tax exemption affirmation letter. REQUIRED if the applicant claims that it is tax-exempt.		-none-	Upload
DCPS Initial Project Feasibility Review. REQUIRED if project is located at a DCPS site.		-none-	Upload
Letters of Support		-none-	Upload
Other supporting documents. This can be images, plans, drawings, descriptions, maps, or anything other document that supports your proposal.		-none-	
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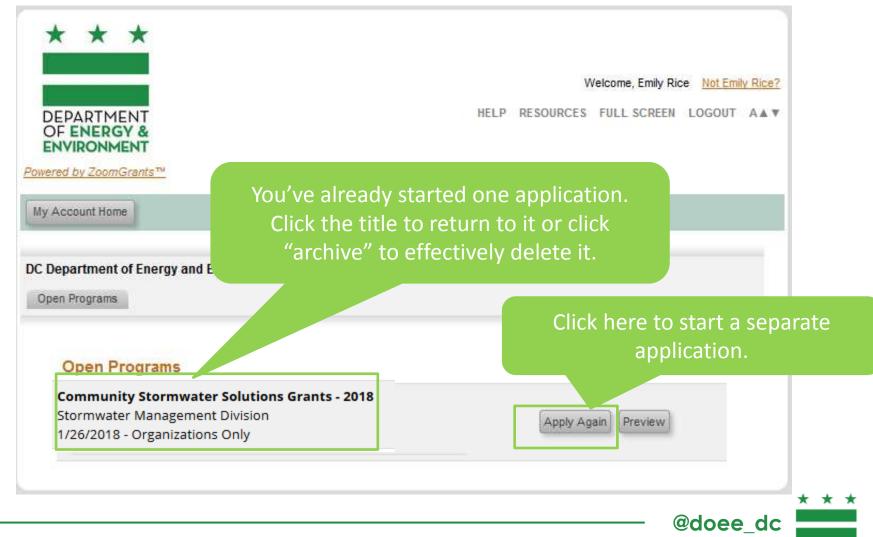
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You must submit a separate application for each project you propose.



Trouble with your online application?

"Help" opens up additional resources.	Welcome, Emily Rice <u>Not Emily Rice?</u>
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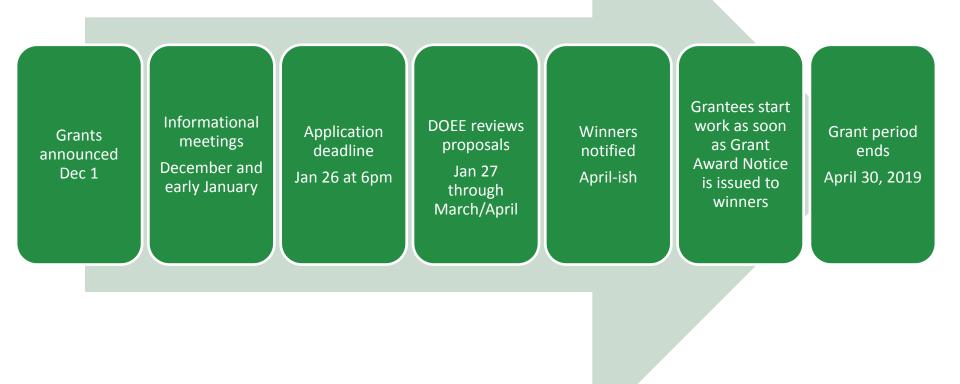


How projects will be scored:

Scoring Criteria	Points
Presents an achievable plan for executing the project	15
Presents a reasonable budget for the work proposed	15
Involves members of an identified community in the development and	15
execution of the project as evidenced through letters of support	
Uses art or another creative solution	5
Will lead to behavior change	5
Furthers existing DOEE efforts or stated priorities to reduce the impacts	10
of stormwater runoff	
Is cost effective (more bang for the buck)	10
Presents a meaningful way to educate the public on a stormwater-related	5
issue	
Will produce quantifiable outcomes	5
Demonstrates experience managing funds and reporting properly	5
Benefits the District's MS4 area, directly or indirectly	5
Benefits the Anacostia River or supports the "Year of the Anacostia"	5
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Timeline







THANK YOU QUESTIONS?

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