



Funding Opportunity

Urban Trees Mini Grant Program

The Urban Trees Program and the Chesapeake Bay Trust are happy to announce that the [Urban Trees Mini Grant Program](#) is accepting applications! Many communities benefit from having green spaces and trees to promote outdoor recreation, access to shaded areas, improved air quality, improved mental and physical health, and livability. Ultimately, this initiative will empower communities that have felt disenfranchised to take ownership with the tools needed to improve access to natural resources that connect their neighborhoods to a healthy, greener environment for current and future generations. Communities that would like to implement small planting projects are encouraged to seek support and funding through this opportunity. Tree planting proposed must occur in urban areas with low median household income levels, high unemployment, and neighborhoods with housing projects or that were historically red lined at any time. Local governments, non-profit organizations, community and homeowner associations, faith-based organizations, and more are encouraged to apply. Please see the attached Request for Proposal (RFP).

What does this fund? Small planting projects in urban areas with low median household income levels, high unemployment, and neighborhoods with housing projects or that were historically red lined at any time.

Who can apply? Local governments, non-profit organizations, community and homeowner associations, faith-based organizations, and more

How much can be awarded? Up to \$5,000 per project.

Deadline: Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until all funding is expended. All proposals must be received at least eight weeks prior to the start of the proposed projects.

If you are interested in applying for the Mini Urban Trees Grant, we are hosting two informational webinars as an opportunity for applicants to learn more about the Urban Trees Program, the grant application process, and tips and tricks for submitting robust, competitive proposals. You can register for the informational webinar on May 24th from 9:30AM to 10:30AM [by clicking here](#).

You can also drop into our weekly Mini Urban Trees Grant office hour! These meetings occur weekly on Wednesdays from 8:30AM to 9:30AM on zoom. Please use the following information to drop in and ask any questions regarding your application:

Meeting ID: 899 6039 9384

Password: minitrees

To learn more about the program, visit: [Urban Trees Mini Grant Program - Chesapeake Bay Trust \(cbtrust.org\)](#)

Upcoming Funding Opportunities

DOEE Grant: Community Based Outreach for Flood Risk

In the coming weeks DOEE will be releasing an RFA for Community Organizations to help the Flood Team do outreach and engagement around flood risk in Wards 7 and 8. There is \$100,000 total available and from that DOEE will issue multiple grants to organizations that already do outreach within the community and are able to help us spread messages around flood risk awareness.

The grant, when published, will be [available here](#)

DOEE Contract: Concept Designs for Blue Green Infrastructure in Watts Branch

In the next month DOEE will be releasing an RFP that may be of interest to design and engineering firms. The RFP will be for the creation of 15% design documents for blue-green infrastructure projects in neighborhoods surrounding Watts Branch Neighborhoods that will create community amenities and reduce flooding.

The RFP, when published, will be available in the Ariba PASS system.

Events & Opportunities



Community Meeting: Anacostia River Corridor Restoration Plan

When: Thursday, June 8th at 6:30 pm

Where: Online, register today at: [ARCRP.eventbrite.com](#)

The District Department of Energy and Environment invites you to join us to learn more and provide feedback on the future of **your Anacostia River!** During this event, the planning team will share strategies for [improving water quality, wildlife habitat, equitable access, and public amenities](#). You will have the opportunity to provide feedback to refine an approach toward a final restoration master plan framework. We are excited to hear from you!

[Click here](#) for more info about the Anacostia River Corridor Restoration Plan.



DC Anacostia River Corridor Survey

Explore the proposed strategies and provide feedback on the future of your Anacostia River today! Click here: [DC Anacostia River Corridor Survey](#).

To move forward with the DC Anacostia River Corridor Restoration Plan, we need your help! The survey builds on input from a series of public and stakeholder engagement events and the 6,771 comments we received from 575 participants during the first public survey.

Your responses in this follow-up survey will help us better understand your needs and visions for the Anacostia River corridor in the District. We welcome your input!



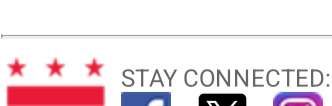
Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week

June 3 to 11, 2023 is [Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week!](#) Join DOEE and our partners at the Chesapeake Bay Foundation to celebrate the Bay. Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week is a time to celebrate the cultures, history and natural beauty of the nation's largest estuary. During the week, there are a wide variety of online and in-person events, volunteer opportunities and social media conversations for everyone to take part in to celebrate the Chesapeake Bay.

Spotlight Story

BUBBA Award Finalists

Three projects placed first in the Best Urban BMP in the Bay Awards. UDC Bertie Backus Campus Green Infrastructure Treatment Train Project won Best Ultra-Urban Project, DOEE's Rapid Stream Assessment (RSA) Program won Innovative Stormwater Permit Implementation and RiverSmart Homes Ambassador Program won Best Education & Outreach Project.



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