The purpose of this grant opportunity is to demonstrate the effectiveness of green stormwater infrastructure to positively affect environmental and social outcomes in underserved communities, and to empower residents in these communities to undertake local action to improve the quality of their local environment.

This funding will support green stormwater infrastructure projects in underserved communities that achieve one of the following key objectives:
1. Improved environmental quality, including enhanced water quality, increased climate resiliency through reduced flooding, improved air quality, and habitat restoration.
2. Increased access to high-quality park and recreation spaces within underserved communities, and increased access to nature recreation, environmental education, and green job opportunities.
3. A engaged community empowered to improve local environmental quality through green infrastructure solutions.

The principal applicant must be a local, municipal or regional government agency (e.g., park and recreation department) or affiliated 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. If the applicant is not a local, municipal or regional government agency, the applicant is required to submit a letter of support for the project being proposed from the park and recreation agency director or equivalent.

The proposed project must be located in a publicly-owned facility or in an underserved community.

The estimated total program funding is $25,000-$50,000. Award Ceiling: $250,000, no match required.

The application deadline is September 30, 2018.

Questions may be submitted by email to LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us. A "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQ) document will be posted on the BWSR website and updated weekly throughout the RFP. The final update will be posted on August 24, 2018.
Grant Program | Category | State | Sponsor | Eligibility | Level of Assistance | Application Deadline | Contact Information
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Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program | Traditional Projects | MN | MN DNR | Non-Federal | Grant program to restore or enhance prairies, wetlands, forests, or habitat. | September 30, 2018 | lscplgrants.dnr@state.mn.us
Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program | Metro Projects | MN | MN DNR | Non-Federal | The Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) Program is a voluntary, incentive-based program that provides direct technical assistance and financial assistance in the form of cost-share agreements to private landowners to restore and enhance fish and wildlife habitat for the benefit of federal trust species. | September 30, 2018 | LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us
Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program | All States | USFW/S | Federal | Projects are designed to support implementation of Source Water Protection Plans. In Minnesota, source water protection is divided into wellhead protection zones, those portions of land near groundwater that is used for public water supply and 2) public protection that focuses on surface water that is used for public water supply. Up to $100,000 per project. | September 30, 2018 | maine.dnr.maine.gov
Source Water Protection Plan Implementation Grant Program | Groundwater | MN | MN Dept of Health | Non-Federal | Program is designed to support implementation of Source Water Protection Plans. In Minnesota, source water protection is divided into wellhead protection zones, those portions of land near groundwater that is used for public water supply and 2) public protection that focuses on surface water that is used for public water supply. Up to $100,000 per project. | November 1, 2018 | john.evans@hennepin.us
Environmental Response Fund | Hennepin County | MN | Non-Federal | The Brownfield Program is a voluntary, incentive-based program that provides direct technical assistance and financial assistance in the form of cost-share agreements to private landowners to restore and enhance fish and wildlife habitat for the benefit of federal trust species. | November 1, 2018 | hblair@mnbrownfields.org
Remapping Great Lakes Water Systems | Great Lakes | Non-Federal | The GLG is looking for new, novel, new projects and new populations of people who could become a transitive to a new era of water systems. Water systems are the food system, the natural landscapes, and the operating rules that govern how water moves, what moves in water and what moves on water. Improved water systems will better solve a range of problems that vex our current systems, including: reducing nutrient-driven harmful algae blooms, better handling of large scale events, being adaptable to changing economic and demographic conditions and providing better value for the money GLG invests to them. | November 1, 2018 | 612-513-4301
Natural Resources Grants - Opportunity Grant | Water Quality | Non-Federal | Non-profit organizations, universities, government agencies, individuals, for-profit businesses. | No funding guidelines given. | Accept Proposals Year Round | eol@mn.gov
Brownfield Gap Financing Program | Hennepin County | MN | Non-Federal | The following entities in Hennepin County: individual landowners, non-profit and non-governmental organizations, local government agencies, businesses. Up to $100,000 per project. | Applications accepted all year. Funds are reserved and awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis. A pre-application meeting to discuss project details is highly recommended. | jekulpic@hennepin.us

Project plans are developed strategically, in combination with partners, and with substantial involvement from Service field staff. Projects must advance our mission, promote biodiversity, and be based upon sound scientific principles. Program strategic plans allow the types of projects funded under the opportunity. Applicants seeking funding under this program should review the program strategic plan and also contact the regional PFW Program office prior to submitting an application for funding.

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Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships
Natural Resources/Development Partnerships
Minneapolis University of Minnesota Extension
Non-Federal
General Info
Any individual or organization.
Eligibility
No funding guidelines given.
Level of Assistance
Applications accepted year round.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
http://www.extension.umn.edu/stgrp/Contact Dakota County SWCD
(651) 440-7777
Kathy Dorman
Sustainable Development Partnership
Non-Federal

Conservation Initiative Funding Program
Water Quality
Sibley County Soil & Water Conservation District
Non-Federal
Program supports smaller conservation practices on individual properties by providing technical and cost share assistance.
Eligibility
Dakota County land owners, developers, and local units of government.
Level of Assistance
Up to $2,000 awarded to fund each project, up to 75% of total cost.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
Applications are accepted at year end.
http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/cif.html
http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/cif.html
Contact Dakota County SWCD
(651) 440-7777

Citizen Conservation Stewards
Water Quality
Sibley County Soil & Water Conservation District
Non-Federal

BARR Grant Tracking Database - Updated July 31, 2018

Federal/Non-
Eligibility
No funding guidelines given.
Level of Assistance
Applications accepted year round.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
http://www.extension.umn.edu/stgrp/ Contact Dakota County SWCD
(651) 440-7777
Kathy Dorman
Sustainable Development Partnership
Non-Federal

The Dakota SWCD offers funding and technical assistance for projects that demonstrate innovative stormwater management, soil conservation and/or conservation design principles.
Eligibility
Dakota County property owners.
Level of Assistance
Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/cif.html
http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/cif.html
Contact Dakota County SWCD
(651) 440-7777

2018 National Fish Habitat Action Plan
Natural Resources/Development Partnerships
All States
USFWS FWS

The National Fish Habitat Action Plan is a national partnership strategy to leverage federal and privately funded resources to protect, restore, and enhance the nation’s fish and aquatic habitats through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation. Funds appropriated to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s National Fish and Aquatic Conservation (NFAC) Program specifically to implement the Action Plan will be utilized in collaboration with the National Fish and Aquatic Partnership, Fish Habitat Partnerships are the primary work units of the Action Plan, formed around distinct geographic areas, “fisheries” - fish species, or other areas (e.g. large lakes, impoundments, estuaries). Funds will support national and regional science and coordination activities to protect, restore, or enhance fish habitats. All or a portion of projects may be proposed using matching or cost-sharing funds.
Eligibility
Federal applicants include national, state, or local government agencies; Native American governments; environmental, educational, and community organizations; and/or individuals. Non-Federal applicants include partnerships that support the mission of the Service and/or a cost share.
Level of Assistance
75% grants are expected to be awarded from $50,000-$500,000 in FY 2017. Priority will be given to projects that demonstrate planning or implementation of projects using existing or new partnerships.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.
http://www.fws.gov/actionplan/index.html
http://www.fws.gov/actionplan/index.html
Cecilia M. Lewis, National Coordinator National Fish Habitat Partnership Program 703-208-2925 cecilia_lewis@fws.gov

Green Partners (Seed, Root, and Branch)
Environmental & Education
Hennepin County
Non-Federal

The Health Partnership Program consists of three groups with varying levels of support and requirements.
Eligibility
Organizations include: Environmental groups such as community groups, youth programs, congregations, etc.; Parks districts; Private or public school and school districts, including community education programs like the 4-H; Local or regional nonprofit organizations promote ecological goals.
Level of Assistance
Branch & Root Group: Up to $8,000 to support pollution prevention projects.
Seed Group: Up to $8,000 to support educational projects.
1:1 match is suggested. No current deadline. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
For more information, contact Patience Case at patrice.case@hennepin.egov or call 612-349-9332.

Environmental Quality Incentives Program
Water Quality
All States
USDA NRCS FCS
The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is a voluntary, voluntary conservation program that helps agricultural producers in a manner that provides agricultural and forest-related incentives and assistance that address soil, water, natural resources, and other conservation needs.
Eligibility
Eligible organizations are: Agricultural producers and owners of non-industrial private forestland and Tribes are eligible to apply for EQIP. Eligible farm land includes cropland, rangeland, pastureland, non-industrial private forestland and other farm or non-farm lands.
Level of Assistance
EQIP applications are accepted on a continuous basis. Results will be achieved through multiple funding pools. Applications are accepted on a滚动 basis.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/eqip/No current deadline. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.
http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/eqip/
Contact local Soil Conservation District

Metro Conservation Corporation Habitat Restoration Program
Natural Resources/Development Partnerships
MN DNR

Restoring or creating lands or ecosystems to improve project benefits on public land. Projects must be within a watershed Metro Conservation District.
Eligibility
Partners can be communities, watershed districts, cities, non-profits and other entities in the 11 county metropolitan area. Projects must be within a designated Metro Conservation District.
Level of Assistance
1:1 match is suggested. No current deadline.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
Funding is allocated as projects come in.
http://www.metroconservation.org/for-partners/No information available.
For more information, please contact: Nick Bancks, 651-917-6282 nickbancks@minnesotalandtrust.org

Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Stewardship Grants
Natural Resources/Development Partnerships
MN CRWD

Properties owned within Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) boundaries are eligible for grants.
Eligibility
Total available grant amount is $200,000. High impact projects may receive up to 100% of their cost in grants.
Level of Assistance
No current deadline.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
Contact us to learn about project requirements.
http://www.capsouth.org/No information available.
For questions or to submit an application, please contact Andrew@andrewthrupp@gmail.com

Clean Water Partnership Loan Program
Water Quality
MPCA Non-Federal

This MPCA is accepting applications for water resource projects to be funded through the Clean Water Loan Program ($11 million available). Applications will be accepted from source water treatment with a G & O designation in funding for protection or improvement of groundwater or surface water bodies from nonpoint sources. Applicant-owned loan money may be used to pay for design, engineering, environmental permitting, and other work necessary to implement the loan agreement. Loans acquired in accordance with this program is eligible for grants.
Eligibility
MPCA has the authority to enter into a loan agreement with the LGA.
Level of Assistance
About $15 million in loans will be available. The maximum loan amount is $10 million. No matching funds are required.
Application Submission Deadline or Comments
No current deadline. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.
http://www.mnnea.org/loan-program/No information available.
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<td>Special Opportunity Grant Program</td>
<td>Water Quality</td>
<td>All States</td>
<td>Freshwater Future</td>
<td>Non-Federal</td>
<td>The Special Opportunity Grant Program promotes science-driven solutions to the environmental protection efforts that may not coincide with the application timeline or grant period. The Program is designed to support urgent projects or those that present a special, time-limited opportunity. Although the eligibility, overarching goals, program areas, and evaluation criteria are the same as the regular grants programs, Special Opportunity Grant (SOG) requests are prioritized differently.</td>
<td>Must be a registered non-profit organization or charity or have a sponsoring non-profit organization or charity.</td>
<td>Typically $500 or less</td>
<td>No deadline</td>
<td><a href="http://freshwaterfuture.org/grants/opportunity-grants">http://freshwaterfuture.org/grants/opportunity-grants</a></td>
<td>Melanie Napoleon Welch</td>
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<td>Federal Aid Programs</td>
<td>Water Quantity</td>
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<td>Projects provide supplemental funds in the form of: Requiring or replacing damaged facilities (roads, bridges, buildings, schools, recreational areas, etc.) that are public or private non-profit organizations engaged in community service activities. Removing debris from public areas and for emergency services that will save lives and protect property and public health. Hazard mitigation projects undertaken by state and local governments to prevent or reduce long-term risk to life and property from natural or technological disasters.</td>
<td>Reimbursement of costs, up to 75%</td>
<td>Application procedures for local governments will be explained at a series of applicant briefings, locations to be announced in the affected areas by recovery officials.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.fema.gov/news-release/2013/07/25/federal-aid-programs">http://www.fema.gov/news-release/2013/07/25/federal-aid-programs</a></td>
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<td>State Cost Share Program</td>
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<td>Minnesota Soil &amp; Water Conservation Districts</td>
<td>Non-Federal</td>
<td>Program awards assistance financially with the installation of rain and water conservation practices.</td>
<td>Contact SWCD.</td>
<td>Cost share ranges from 50% to 75% based on water quality impacts.</td>
<td>Contact local SWCD.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.mnswcd.org/SWCDs_On_The_Web/swcds_on_the_web.htm">http://www.mnswcd.org/SWCDs_On_The_Web/swcds_on_the_web.htm</a></td>
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<td>Water Quality</td>
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<td>MPCA provides grants to collect water quality data during events when runoff is high to gauge contaminant concentrations and loads from the watershed. Soil and water conservation districts, watershed districts, regional planning organizations, watershed management organizations, local units of government, regional government groups, joint power boards, Minnesota colleges and universities, non-profit organizations and American Indian Tribal governments.</td>
<td>up to $1.5 million will be awarded for two-year contracts.</td>
<td>Contact MPCA for partnership information.</td>
<td><a href="https://www.pca.state.mn.us/wplmn/partnership">https://www.pca.state.mn.us/wplmn/partnership</a></td>
<td>Contact local SWCD.</td>
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<td>WCD provides small grants to landowners wishing to improve surface water quality in Washington County. Eligible projects include rainwater gardens, infiltration systems, and other innovative approaches to treat stormwater runoff at the source. Landowners in Washington County.</td>
<td>50% match grants of up to $5,000 are available.</td>
<td>Contact WCD.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.wcd.state.mn.us/financial-assistance">http://www.wcd.state.mn.us/financial-assistance</a></td>
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<td>Dam Safety Grants</td>
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<td>Intent is to improve the safety and condition of publicly owned dams and water level control structures. Eligible projects include dam reconstruction, repair, and removal. Cities, counties, townships, watershed districts.</td>
<td>Reimbursement of costs, up to 50% for repairs, 10% for removals. Grants have ranged from $25,000 to $1,000,000.</td>
<td>For information contact the local DNR Waters office.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/dam/safety">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/dam/safety</a></td>
<td>Jason Boyle, State Dam Safety Engineer</td>
<td>DNR Division of Waters (651) 239-2718</td>
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