

Grant Program	Category	State	Sponsor Agency/ Org	Federal/ Non-Federal	General Info	Eligibility	Level of Assistance	Application Submittal Deadline w/ Comments	LINK TO WEBSITE	Contact Information
Short Term Action Request Grants (STAR)	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Your project must be conducted in Minnesota's coastal area, be action-oriented, and align with one of the following categories and goals: -Coastal Habitat: Protect the coastal areas' natural resources and habitats including wetlands, forests, beaches and fish -Coastal Hazards: Protect lives and property in the coastal area by minimizing risk to hazards such as storms, flooding and erosion -Water Quality: Safeguard and restore water quality in Lake Superior and area streams -Coastal Community Development: Help communities manage development or preserve the historic, cultural and aesthetic features of Lake Superior and its coast -Coordination and Public Involvement: Collect, analyze, synthesize and share information and research results that will lead to better land and water use decisions in the coastal area or engage the public in critical government decisions	Cities, townships and counties within the coastal area; area-wide agencies; regional planning agencies; state agencies; non-profit organizations; colleges and universities; public school districts in the coastal area; conservation districts; port authorities; tribal governments; joint powers boards; sanitary sewer districts.	The minimum grant is \$2,500 and the maximum is \$10,000.	September 1, 2021 (project start April 1, 2022) December 1, 2021 (project start July 1, 2022) March 1, 2022 (project start October 1, 2022) June 1, 2022 (project start January 1, 2023)	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/lakesuperior/grants.html	Cynthia Poyhonen, Grants Specialist (218) 834-1447 or Cynthia.poyhonen@state.mn.us
Flood Hazard Mitigation Grants	Water Quantity	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Program to provide technical and financial assistance to local governmental units for conducting flood damage reduction studies and for planning and implementing flood damage reduction measures. Studies and planning projects must be done with general funds. Design and construction projects are able to be funded through state bonding.	Cities, counties, townships, watershed districts, watershed management organizations and lake improvement districts.	A maximum of 50% of total eligible project costs up to \$150,000 using general funds. Grant requests for more than \$150,000 must be approved by the Legislature.	Recommended that the completed application form be submitted to your DNR Division of Waters Area Hydrologist by June 1 of the year in which you wish to apply. Early coordination is recommended.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/water/flood_hazard.html	Pat Lynch, Flood Damage Reduction Program Manager DNR Division of Waters (651) 259-5691 E-Mail: pat.lynch@dnr.state.mn.us
Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Wastewater & Stormwater	Water Quality	MN	MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA)	Non-Federal	The Clean Water State Revolving Fund, is established under the Federal Clean Water Act and state law to make loans for point source (wastewater and stormwater) and nonpoint source water pollution control projects. The Public Facilities Authority (PFA) prepares an annual Intended Use Plan (IUP) based on a Project Priority List (PPL) developed by the MPCA. The IUP describes the projects and activities eligible for funding during the state fiscal year.	Proposals are being accepted to place wastewater or stormwater collection and treatment system projects on the Clean Water Revolving Fund (CWRF) Project Priority List (PPL). Projects must be on the PPL to be eligible to apply for below market rate CWRF loans and other Clean Water Legacy grants and loans from the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA). PFA financing is for investments in municipal infrastructure which result in improvements in water quality. Funding is not available for privately owned infrastructure.	Below market-rate, low-interest loans, principal-forgiveness or grants to local governments.	Wastewater Facilities Plans or Stormwater Project Plans are due to the MPCA March 4, 2022. Request for Placement on PPL due to the MPCA March 4, 2022. Request for Placement on the IUP due to the MPCA June 3, 2022	www.pca.state.mn.us/ppi	Bill Dunn, Clean Water Revolving Fund Coordinator Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North Saint Paul, MN 55155-4194 651-757-2324 or bill.dunn@state.mn.us
Point Source Implementation Grant Program	Water Quality	MN	Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA) & MPCA (State funds)	Non-Federal	The Point Source Implementation grant program provides grants to units of local government to assist with the cost of water infrastructure projects necessary to: •Meet wasteload reductions prescribed under a total maximum daily load (TMDL) plan required by Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act •Reduce the discharge of total phosphorus to one milligram per liter or less •Meet any other water quality-based effluent limit established under section Minnesota Statute Section 115.03, subd 1, (e)(8), that is incorporated into a permit issued by MPCA that exceeds secondary treatment limits •Meet a total nitrogen concentration or mass limit that requires discharging ten milligrams per liter or less at a permitted design flow	The PSIG program provides grants for 80% of eligible costs up to a maximum of \$7,000,000. Projects must be listed on the MPCA's Project Priority List (PPL). A project must receive MPCA certification and submit as-bid project costs to receive a PSIG grant.	\$5,307,000 million has been appropriated for this program for FY 2016	PPL Application Request: March 4, 2022 IUP Application Request: June 3, 2022	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/wastewater-and-stormwater-financial-assistance	Bill Dunn, Clean Water Revolving Fund Coordinator Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North Saint Paul, MN 55155-4194 651-757-2324 or bill.dunn@state.mn.us
One Watershed, One Plan Planning Grants	Water Quality	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	Up to \$1.2 million in clean Water Funds is now available for planning grants under the One Watershed, One Plan program. These grants are for partnerships of eligible local groups to use a systematic, science-based approach to watershed management to develop plans that provide the greatest environmental benefits to each watershed.	Applicants must be one or more of the eligible local governments on behalf of others in the watershed area.	Up to \$1,100,000 is available.	June 10, 2022	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Julie Westerlund julie.westerlund@state.mn.us 651-297-5617
Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)	Water Quantity	All States	FEMA	Federal	The EMPG program plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System. The program supports the building, sustainment and delivery of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. Delivering core capabilities requires the combined efforts of the whole community, rather than the exclusive effort of any single organization or level of government. The EMPG program's allowable costs support efforts to build and sustain core capabilities across the Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery mission areas.	All 56 states and territories, as well as the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia (collectively "state or territory"), are eligible to apply for FY 2019 EMPG program funds. Either the State Administrative Agency (SAA) or the State's Emergency Management Agency (EMA) is eligible to apply directly to FEMA for EMPG funds on behalf of each state or territory. However, only one application is accepted from each state or territory.	A total of \$405,100,000 in funding is available for all regions. Cost share of no less than 50% of total project cost.	June 13, 2022	https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/emergency-management-performance	Centralized Scheduling and Information askcsid@fema.dhs.gov
Stream Restoration and Enhancement Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) has entered into a service agreement with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) to administer a grant program to provide stream restoration and/or enhancement projects. The following types of projects are eligible: in-stream restoration, streambank stabilization, riparian area buffer/restoration, floodplain function/restoration, riparian/floodplain wetland restoration.	Eligible applicants include watershed districts, watershed-based joint power organizations, counties, soil and water conservation districts, and formal partnerships of these organizations. Applicants must be working under a current state approved and locally adopted water management plan. Projects must be located in one or more of the following 8-digit HUC watersheds: Lower Red River of the North, Snake River (Red River Basin), Grand Marais Creek, Red Lake River, Clearwater River, Mississippi River Headwaters, Crow Wing River, Pine River, Leech Lake River, Mississippi River - Grand Rapids, St. Louis River	Up to \$3,400,000 is available. A minimum non-state match equal to at least 10% of the amount of funds requested/received.	June 14, 2022	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Questions regarding requests should be directed to your area Board Conservationist.
National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	Great Lakes Basin States	USFWS	Federal	The Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection, and Restoration Act established the National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program to acquire, restore, and enhance wetlands in coastal States through competitive matching grants. The primary goal is the long-term conservation of coastal wetland ecosystems.	Eligible coastal States are States bordering the Great Lakes (IL, IN, MI, MN, NY, OH, PA, and WI). Eligible applicants are any State agency or entity designated as eligible by the Governor of a coastal state. It is usually a State natural resource or fish and wildlife agency.	Approximately \$18 million available. Awards typically range from \$50,000-\$1 million.	June 24, 2022	https://www.fws.gov/coastal/CoastalGrants/	Fish and Wildlife Biologist Christina Milloy 703-862-5761 christina_milloy@fws.gov
Wellhead Protection Partner Grants (Pilot)	Groundwater	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	Wellhead Protection Partner Grants will provide funding to local government for establishing perpetual or long-term protection of wellhead protection areas where state-held easements are not viable or desirable.	A local government entity within a delineated Wellhead Protection Area (WHPA) mapped in a Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) approved Wellhead Protection Plan	Up to \$1,279,000 is currently available. Individual grant amounts will be determined by the duration of protection and the protection mechanism provided in the grant proposal. A 10% match is required of grant recipients	Last day of each month as funding is available	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Sharon Doucette Sharon.Doucette@state.mn.us

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Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	Water Quantity	All States	FEMA	Federal	The HMGP is a cost-share grant (75% federal/25% local) made available statewide post- disaster. Funds are made available on a state-to-state basis depending on declared disasters. Eligible applicants will be invited to develop full HMGP applications. Potential projects include: •Acquisition of repetitively damaged structures from flood-prone areas •Tornado safe rooms •Retrofit of overhead power lines •Warning Sirens - Beyond the Tornado and into the 21st Century	Currently, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) has funding available to qualified communities interested in mitigating future damage from natural hazards and helping residents stay safe during severe weather. Eligible applicants include: •State and local governments •Certain private non-profit organizations and institutions •Native American tribes and authorized tribal organizations	The HMGP is a cost-share grant (75% federal/25% local) made available statewide post- disaster. \$14.6 million made available for MN in 2021	NOI due October 1, 2021 Full proposal due July 1, 2022	https://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program	Contact Senior Mitigation Planner in the Mitigation Division, Risk Analysis Branch of the appropriate FEMA Regional Office. https://www.fema.gov/fema-regional-contacts
North American Wetland Conservation Act Standard and Small Grants Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	All States	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	Federal	The Act was passed, in part, to support activities under the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, an international agreement that provides a strategy for the long-term protection of wetlands and associated uplands habitats needed by waterfowl and other migratory birds in North America. In December 2002, Congress reauthorized the Act and expanded its scope to include the conservation of all habitats and birds associated with wetlands ecosystems.	The North American Wetlands Conservation Act (Act, or NAWCA) of 1989 provides matching grants to organizations and individuals who have developed partnerships to carry out wetlands conservation projects in the United States, Canada, and Mexico for the benefit of wetlands-associated migratory birds and other wildlife.	\$40 million (annually) for 24 North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) proposals for U.S Standard Grants. Requires minimum 1:1 match	Standard Cycle 1: February 22, 2022 Standard Cycle 2: July 8, 2022 Small: October 14, 2022	http://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act.php	Contact: Division of Bird Habitat Conservation, (703) 358-1784, dbhc@fws.gov
Community Conservation Partnership	Water Quality	MN	Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District	Non-Federal	Program to support public landowners in implementing TMDL and local water management plans by providing technical and cost share assistance to install bioretention and other stormwater Best Management Practices at public facilities in Dakota County to improve water quality above the minimum measures required by the regulating agencies.	Public landowners within Dakota County	Up to \$50,000 of cost share funding available per project for up to 75% of the actual project cost.	March, May or July 15 each year	https://dakotaswdc.org/services/incentives/	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
MN Local Road Research Board and MnDOT Academic Research Funding	Research	MN	MN Local Road Research Board (LRRB) and MnDOT	Non-Federal	The Local Road Research Board (LRRB) welcomes research ideas from Minnesota transportation practitioners. After submittal, your idea will be researched and evaluated to determine whether current solutions to the need/problem exist. We will follow up to let you know our findings. If the idea warrants new research, it will be brought before the LRRB to determine if proposals for research should be sought. Current research goals include: safety, recycled and alternative pavement materials, decision-making for pavement planning, funding the public's role in transportation, sustainable planning and design, innovative construction methods and contracting, innovations in maintenance and operations, maintain road systems economically, environmental sustainability, reducing environmental impacts, environmental policy considerations and permitting.	Applications are accepted from research institutions. It is not uncommon for consulting firms to apply for and receive funding through this program.	Example successful proposals range from \$20,000-\$200,000.	Idea Submission: March 15, 2022 Proposals Due: September 13, 2022	http://www.dot.state.mn.us/research/process-and-docs.html	Hafiz Munir hafiz.munir@state.mn.us 651-366-3757
Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	All States	USFWS	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 cooperative agreements to private landowners to restore and conserve fish and wildlife habitat for the benefit of federal trust resources. The PFW Program is delivered through more than 250 full-time staff, active in all 50 States and territories. Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program staff coordinate with project partners, stakeholders and other Service programs to identify geographic focus areas and develop habitat conservation priorities within these focus areas. Geographic focus areas are where the PFW Program directs resources to conserve habitat for federal trust species. Project work plans are developed strategically, in coordination with partners, and with substantial involvement from Service field staff. Projects must advance our mission, promote biological diversity, and be based upon sound scientific biological principles. Program strategic plans inform the types of projects funded under this 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.	Projects must be implemented on private lands, including tribal lands or waters owned by non-Federal or non-State entities.	Estimated Total Program Funding: \$57,000,000 Anticipated number of projects: 1500 Award ceiling: \$750,000	September 30, 2022	http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=partners%20for%20fish%20and%20wildlife	Grants Management Specialist Patrick Schulze 703 358 2567 patrick_schulze@fws.gov
Source Water Protection: Competitive Grant Program	Groundwater	MN	MN Dept of Health	Non-Federal	Program to support source water protection for community and non-transient noncommunity public water suppliers. Source water protection activities that are funded under this grant program must focus on managing or eliminating one or more potential sources of contamination that the Minnesota Department of Health has determined presents a risk to the public water supplier.	A public water supplier must meet the following conditions in order to qualify for a grant: 1) Be a community or a non-transient non-community public water supplier, and 2) the public water supplier is not currently subject to administrative penalty action by the MN Dept. of Health for violation of state or federal public water supply regulations. Although only qualifying public water suppliers may apply for a source water protection competitive grant, they may use this funding to support the work of other parties.	The total amount of funding that is available under this notice is \$75,000. An equal cost share for each work item is required for receiving a grant. Minimum grant amount of \$500. Maximum grant amount is \$10,000.	April and October of each year	https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/swp/grants.html	Drinking Water Protection Program Email: Health.DrinkingWater@state.mn.us (651-201-4700)
Ramsey County Environmental Response Fund	Brownfields	MN	Ramsey County	Non-Federal	The Ramsey County Environmental Response Fund's (ERF) priorities include development/redevelopment of blighted sites, including orphan sites, that will result in additional jobs at living wages and/or affordable housing, and clean-up of public land and green space that will enhance the quality of life in neighborhoods and communities.	Eligible applicants include Ramsey County and Ramsey County municipalities, public and private for profit and not-for-profit agencies and organizations	ERF funds are intended as gap financing (applicants should exhaust funds available from other sources). There is no limit on grant funding that may be requested from the ERF. Total funding available each year is approximately \$500,000	Proposals are due May 1 and November 1 each year, open one month prior.	https://www.ramseycounty.us/businesses/property-development/property-development-programs-incentives/environmental-response-fund	Martha Faust Redevelopment Manager 651-358-4341
Rural Energy for America Program - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency - Grants	Environmental & Education	All States	USDA	Federal	USDA is offering grants for up to 25 percent of total project costs for renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements. Eligible renewable energy projects must incorporate commercially available technology. This includes renewable energy from wind, solar, ocean, small hydropower, hydrogen, geothermal and renewable biomass (including anaerobic digesters). Energy efficiency improvement projects eligible for REAP funding include lighting, heating, cooling, ventilation, fans, automated controls and insulation upgrades that reduce energy consumption.	Agricultural producers with at least 50% of gross income coming from agricultural operations, and small businesses in eligible rural areas.	The maximum grant amount for renewable energy projects is \$500,000. The maximum grant amount for energy efficiency projects is \$250,000. Grants for up to 25% of total project cost.	Less than \$20,000: Nov 1 or March 31 Unrestricted Grant: March 31	http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency	Ron Omann, USDA Rural Development 375 Jackson St., Suite 410 St. Paul, MN 55101 (651)-602-7796 Ron.Omann@mn.usda.gov http://www.rd.usda.gov/mn
Rural Energy for America Program - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency - Loans	Environmental & Education	All States	USDA	Federal	USDA is offering loan guarantees for up to 75 percent of total project costs for renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements. Eligible renewable energy projects must incorporate commercially available technology. This includes renewable energy from wind, solar, ocean, small hydropower, hydrogen, geothermal and renewable biomass (including anaerobic digesters). Energy efficiency improvement projects eligible for REAP funding include lighting, heating, cooling, ventilation, fans, automated controls and insulation upgrades that reduce energy consumption.	Agricultural producers with at least 50% of gross income coming from agricultural operations, and small businesses in eligible rural areas.	The maximum loan amount is \$25 million, up to 75% of total project cost. Renewable Energy System Grants: \$2,500 to \$500,000 Energy Efficiency Grants: \$1,500 to \$250,000	Less than \$20,000: Nov 1 or March 31 Unrestricted Loan: March 31	http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency	Ron Omann, USDA Rural Development 375 Jackson St., Suite 410 St. Paul, MN 55101 (651)-602-7796 Ron.Omann@mn.usda.gov http://www.rd.usda.gov/mn

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Conservation Corps Minnesota Clean Water Fund: Crew Labor	Water Quality	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	Funds are available for Conservation Corps crew labor only for the purpose of protecting, enhancing and restoring water quality in lakes, rivers and streams and to protect groundwater and drinking water sources from degradation. Project proposals should demonstrate measurable outputs to achieve water quality objectives through the implementation of BMPs. Projects that focus on retaining water on the land through native plantings versus habitat restoration are preferred.	Counties, Cities, SWCDs, Watershed Districts and Watershed Management Organizations	\$500,000 available. No minimum match requirement.	Applications due December 15 every year	http://conservationcorps.org/clean-water-funding	Brian Miller at (651) 209-9900 ext. 19 brian.miller@conservationcorps.org
Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Drinking Water	Water Quality	MN	MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA)	Non-Federal	The Clean Water State Revolving Fund, is established under the Federal Clean Water Act and state law to make loans to for point source (wastewater and stormwater) and nonpoint source water pollution control projects. The Public Facilities Authority (PFA) prepares an annual Intended Use Plan (IUP) based on a Project Priority List (PPL) developed by the MPCA. The IUP describes the projects and activities eligible for funding during the state fiscal year.	The Minnesota Department of Health is soliciting requests to place new projects on the Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRF) Project Priority List (PPL). Projects must be on the list to be eligible for below market rate DWRF loans to improve public drinking water systems. Typical projects include watermain, wells, water treatment plants and water towers. Funding is not for expansion of water systems to serve future growth or for fire suppression infrastructure.	Below market-rate, low-interest loans, principal-forgiveness or grants to local governments.	6 months after Intended Use Plan is approved	https://mn.gov/deed/pfa/funds-programs/cleanwaterrevolvingfund.jsp	Contact Chad Kolstad at 651-201-3972 or chad.kolstad@state.mn.us
Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	University of MN Extension	Non-Federal	The Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships (RSDP) connect greater Minnesota communities to the University of Minnesota in order to help solve problems and take advantage of new opportunities. As a part of University of Minnesota Extension, RSDP brings together local talent and resources with University of Minnesota knowledge and seed funding to drive sustainability in four areas: agriculture and food systems, tourism and resilient communities, natural resources, and clean energy.	Any individual or organization.	No funding guidelines given.	Applications can be submitted at any time and are reviewed within specific application periods	http://www.extension.umn.edu/rsdp/	Kathryn Draeger Statewide Director, Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships draeg001@umn.edu 612-625-3148 (Regional Executive Director information on website)
Conference and Training Support	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	The MN DNR is offering grants to eligible partners for hosting conferences, meetings, retreats, seminars, symposiums, workshops, training or other events. The primary purpose of these events must be providing technical information; participants will enhance their skills and knowledge for managing coastal resources and development through the course of the conference. Partners can use grant funding to send staff, community leaders and resource managers to conferences. Events must be related to coastal management including protecting/restoring coastal habitats, increasing resilience to coastal hazards, managing public access to coasts, etc.	Cities, townships and counties within the coastal area; area-wide agencies; regional planning agencies; state agencies; non-profit organizations; colleges and universities; public school districts in the coastal area; conservation districts; port authorities; tribal governments; joint powers boards; sanitary sewer districts.	Maximum award of \$4,500, 10% match required	Applications are due at least 30 days in advance of the event.	https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/lakesuperior/grants.html?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery	Cynthia Poyhonen, Grants Specialist (218) 834-1447 or Cynthia.poyhonen@state.mn.us
Carver County Cost-Share Program	Water Quality	MN	Carver County	Non-Federal	Carver County Water Management Organization funds a cost share program to promote citizens to use innovative Best Management Practices (BMPs) to protect and restore the quality of water within the county. The goal of the program is to increase the awareness of water quality issues affecting the county and at the same time have citizens take an active role in the protection and/or restoration of the environment. In cooperation with both County Staff and Private Citizens, this program will continue the strong tradition of protecting the natural resources of this great county.	This program is available to anyone that is a citizen of Carver County, municipalities, and private businesses located within the Carver County Water Resource Management Area. Some areas of the County are located outside the CCWMO boundaries are on instead in Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District or Lower MN River Watershed District.	The program will cover 75% of eligible costs up to a maximum reimbursement of \$5000. This is a competitive grant program, with the possibility of grant requests not obtaining funding. If the annual funding for a fiscal year is depleted, project applications for the year will be held over to the following year. These projects will be prioritized by the date in which the application was turned in.	Applications accepted all year.	https://www.co.carver.mn.us/departments/independent-agencies/soil-water-conservation-district-swcd/programs-services/cost-share-program#--text=Any%20land%20occupier%20including%20owner%20eligible%20costs%20of%20a%20project	Terry Meiller Resource Conservationist 952-466-5230 tmeiller@co.carver.mn.us
Reimagining Great Lakes Water Systems	Water Quality	MN	Great Lakes Protection Fund	Non-Federal	The GLPF is looking for new ideas, new projects and new cohorts of people to catalyze a transition to a new era of water systems. Water systems are the built infrastructure, 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 rainstorms, being adaptable to changing economic and demographic conditions, and providing better value for the money GLPF will invest in them.	Eligible applicants include: non-profit organizations, universities, governmental agencies, individuals, for-profit businesses within the Great Lakes watershed area.	The average level of Fund support is \$460,000, but past awards have ranged from \$20,000 to \$1.6 million	Applications accepted all year.	http://glpf.org/get-funding/projects-wanted/	David Rankin, Program Director 847-425-8150
Brownfield Gap Financing Program	Brownfields	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Managed by Minnesota Brownfields and funded through Hennepin County's Environmental Response Fund (ERF), the Brownfield Gap Financing Program provides small grants to nonprofit developers to close gaps in project costs for environmental assessment and cleanup of property in Hennepin County. Funded activities include: Identification and, in some cases, remediation of unexpected environmental issues (such as unanticipated Phase I and II investigations or small-scale cleanup), Preparation for a larger funding request from the County's ERF	Eligible applicants for this program must be registered as a non-profit within the State of Minnesota, a community group, a government supported organization, or a government entity located within Hennepin County. Applicants must own the property, have a purchase or lease agreement in place, or have a letter of intent to purchase by the applicant from the property owner.	Typical Brownfield Gap Financing Program grants are less than \$10,000, but may be up to \$15,000.	Applications accepted all year.	http://mnbrownfields.org/our-work/brownfield-gap-financing/	Hava Blair, Minnesota Brownfields, Program Coordinator PO Box 16244 St. Paul, MN 55116 612-513-4301 hblair@mnbrownfields.org
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Stewardship Grants	Water Quality	MN	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD)	Non-Federal	Stewardship Grants help businesses or homeowners build projects on their property that prevent stormwater pollution. Public and private landowners are eligible for technical and financial assistance to install water quality improvement best management practices (BMPs). Specifically, the program funds BMPs that reduce stormwater runoff, prevent erosion and filter pollutants. Typical BMP projects include but are not limited to: 1) rain gardens, 2) shoreline restoration, 3) water reuse systems, 4) permeable hardscapes (pavers, asphalt etc.). Stewardship Grant awards are allocated based on the water quality benefits provided by each Stormwater Best Management Practice (BMPs). Projects that capture runoff from streets (curb cut rain gardens), parking lots, or other larger impervious surfaces receive higher awards due to their higher water quality benefits.	Property owners within Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) are eligible for grants.	Total available grant amount is unknown. High impact projects may receive up to 95% grant in addition to free design services for residents, public or non-profit agencies. Match requirement of 25% for businesses and for-profit organizations.	Applications accepted all year.	http://www.capitolregionwd.org/our-work/grants/stewardship-grants/	For questions or to submit an application, please contact Joe Lochner at Ramsey County Soil & Water Conservation Division at 651-266-7273 or joseph.lochner@co.ramsey.mn.us
Conservation Initiative Funding Program	Water Quality	MN	Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District	Non-Federal	The Dakota SWCD offers funding and/or technical assistance for projects that demonstrate innovative stormwater management, low impact development and/or conservation design principles.	Dakota County land owners, developers, and local units of government	\$25,000 maximum cost share to reimburse applicant for up to 85% actual project cost	Applications accepted all year.	https://dakotaswcd.org/services/incentives/#--text=Citizen%20Conservation%20Stewardship%20Program%20(CCS)&text=Up%20to%20%245%2C000%20of%20cost%20preserve%20or%20restore%20natural%20resources	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777

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Clean Water Partnership Loan Program	Water Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA is accepting applications for water resource projects to be funded through the CWP Loan Program (approximately \$11 mill available). Application will be accepted from local governmental units (LGUs) interested in leading a project for protection or improvement of groundwater or surface water bodies from nonpoint sources. Applicants awarded loan funds may begin project work after the loan agreement is executed and project workplan is approved. No reimbursable costs may be incurred prior to execution of the loan agreement.	Only LGUs that meet the following criteria are eligible to apply for loans. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LGU has the ability to pledge its full faith and credit to ensure repayment of a project implementation loan • LGU has the authority to generate cash revenues for the repayment of a loan • LGU has the authority to enter into a loan agreement with the MPCA LGUs that meet these requirements include counties, cities, townships, tribes, watershed districts, and watershed management organizations. Joint powers organizations composed of previously mentioned entities are also eligible, but must submit a resolution from at least one LGU that meets the eligible criteria stating that they will participate in the project as a loan sponsor. Local soil and water conservation districts and other LGUs that are not eligible to serve as a loan sponsor may partner as a project sponsor with another government entity, such as a county or watershed district, which will serve as the loan sponsor.	About \$15 million in loans will be available. The maximum loan award is \$2 million. No matching funds are required.	Anticipate applications to be accepted again beginning in July 2022	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/financial-assistance-nonpoint-source-water-pollution-projects-clean-water-partnership-and	Cindy Penny: cynthia.penny@state.mn.us or 651-757-2099
Environmental Quality Incentives Program	Water Quality	All States	USDA NRCS	Federal	The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is a voluntary conservation program that helps agricultural producers in a manner that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compatible goals. Through EQIP, agricultural producers receive financial and technical assistance to implement structural and management conservation practices that optimize environmental benefits on working agricultural land.	Agricultural producers and owners of non-industrial private forestland and Tribes are eligible to apply for EQIP. Eligible land includes cropland, rangeland, pastureland, non-industrial private forestland and other farm or ranch lands.	Submitted applications may be considered or evaluated in multiple funding pool opportunities.	EQIP applications are accepted on a continuous basis, however, NRCS establishes application "cut-off" or submission deadline dates for evaluation	https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/eqip/	Brenda Tonn, Program Specialist Phone: 651-602-7883 Email: brenda.tonn@mn.usda.gov
Special Opportunity Grant Program	Water Quality	All States	Freshwater Future	Non-Federal	The Special Opportunity Grants Program (Emergency Grants) is for the aquatic habitat protection efforts that may not coincide with the application timeline or grant period for the Projects Grants Program. Freshwater Future realizes that many grassroots projects can be completed for under \$500 USD, therefore we maintain a reserve to support urgent projects or those that present a special, time-limited opportunity. Although the eligibility, overarching goal, priority program areas, and evaluation criteria are the same as the regular grants programs, Special Opportunity Grant (SOG) requests are processed differently to ensure quick turnaround.	Must be a registered non-profit organization or charity or have a sponsoring non-profit organization or charity.	Typically \$500 or less. Maximum of \$750	Applications accepted all year as long as funding is available	http://freshwaterfuture.org/grants/special-opportunity-grant-program/	Melanie Napoleon Welch melanie@freshwaterfuture.org
Water & Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program	Water/Wastewater	All States	USDA	Federal	This program provides funding for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas. The project funds may be used to finance the acquisition, construction, or improvement of drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage and distribution, sewer collection, transmission, treatment, and disposal, solid waste collection, disposal and closure, stormwater collection, transmission, and disposal.	This program assists qualified applicants who are not otherwise able to obtain commercial credit on reasonable terms. Eligible applicants include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Most state and local governmental entities -Private nonprofits -Federally-recognized tribes 	If funds are available, a grant may be combined with a loan if necessary to keep user costs reasonable.	Applications accepted all year.	https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-grant-program	Contact Local RD State Offices: https://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-offices
RPBCWD Grants	Water Quality	MN	Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District	Non-Federal	Grants are available for projects that: improve watershed resources, foster water resources stewardship, increase awareness of the vulnerability of watershed resources, increase familiarity with and acceptance of solutions to improve waters. Project examples: raingardens, pervious asphalt and pavers, shoreland and streambank restoration, volume reduction and runoff treatment practices, wetland restoration. Grant Programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Watershed Stewardship Grants -Action Grants -Educator Grants 	Residential property owners, non-profit organizations, commercial property owners, and governments are eligible. Must be located in the Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District.	Maximum Stewardship Grant Awards: Residential: \$5,000 (up to 75% of project cost) Non-profits: \$20,000 (up to 75% of project cost) Commercial and government: \$50,000 (up to 50% of project cost) Action Grant: Up to \$250 Educator Grant: \$50 to \$250	Applications accepted all year.	http://www.rpbcd.org/grants	Maya Swope 952-687-1348 mswope@rpbcd.org
Great Lakes Protection Fund- A Call for People, Ideas, and Projects	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	Great Lakes Basin States	Great Lakes Protection Fund	Non-Federal	The Great Lakes Protection Fund seeks to support a suite of action-oriented projects to design, deploy, and evaluate new prototype solutions to important challenges facing our ecosystem: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Increasingly large rain events, -Under-investment in water infrastructure -Nutrient pollution and harmful algae blooms, -Threats posed by potential and existing invasive species, and -Adapting to the demographic and economic changes in our region These challenges are at the root of impairments to water quality, altered flow regimes and detrimental shifts in the ecology of the basin. The Fund believes that advances in real-time management of water, in integrating natural and built water management systems, in designing pay-for-performance financing, and in machine learning and autonomous control can be combined to create new solutions to these big challenges.	The Great Lakes Protection Fund can support a wide variety of applicants. Non-profit organizations (including environmental organizations, trade associations, and universities), governmental agencies, individuals, and for-profit businesses are eligible for Fund support. Successful applicants must maintain open access to certain project data, records and information. All applicants must show that the proposed work has clear public benefit and that any related financial benefits will accrue to the public good within the Great Lakes Basin. Government agencies must show that Fund support is not being used to replace or duplicate funds. The Fund will not support advocacy campaigns, litigation or compliance obligations.	Budget requests should reflect the full amount of funds necessary to complete the proposed work. Past awards have ranged from \$20,000 to \$1.5 million. Matching funds are not necessary. The fund will support overhead costs at a maximum of 15% of project costs.	Applications accepted all year.	http://glpf.org/get-funding/projects-wanted/	Simon Belisle Project Development Manager 847-425-8193 startaconversation@glpf.org
Citizen Conservation Stewards	Water Quality	MN	Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District	Non-Federal	Program supports smaller conservation practices on individual properties by providing technical and cost share assistance.	Dakota County property owners	Up to \$5,000 available to fund each project, up to 85% of total cost.	Applications accepted all year.	https://dakotaswd.org/services/incentives/	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Water Quality Planning Grants	Water Quality	MN	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD)	Non-Federal	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Water Quality Capital Improvement Grants provide financial assistance for feasibility and design of projects that protect and improve the water quality of waterbodies within CRWD. Typical projects funded through this program include feasibility studies and engineering services to identify, prioritize, and design capital improvement projects that include benefits to natural resources. The goals of this grant are to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Identify innovate, cost-effective solutions for protecting and improving water quality of CRWD lakes, streams, and wetlands and the Mississippi River -Develop designs including preliminary and final plans, for water quality improvement projects -Improve our understanding of best practices to protect and improve local water resources -Build capacity for partners to accelerate on-the-ground projects that protect and improve water quality 	Government agencies, public and private schools, non-profit, faith-based or religious organizations, businesses or other private property owners who are located within CRWD	The professional design is anticipated to exceed \$40,000. Projects must include identification of public educational opportunities. Projects required to meet regulations are not eligible. Typical annual funding available: \$100,000 Average grant award: \$20,000	Applications accepted all year.	http://www.capitolregionwd.org/our-work/grants/special-grants/	Nate Zwontzer nzwontzer@capitolregionwd.org (651) 644-8888 ext. 109

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Forest Stewardship Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Cost share program to provide technical advice and long range planning to interested land owners. Forest stewardship plans are the outcome of the program- plans are designed to meet landowner goals while maintaining the sustainability of the land.	Financial assistance to woodland owners for completing projects to practice good forest stewardship on their land. A typical project is between 3 and 20 acres but could be smaller or larger depending on land goals.	Fund availability dependent on time of application. Contact for more info.	Contact	https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/woodlands/cost-share.html	Private Forest Program Coordinator DNR Forestry 500 Lafayette Road, Box 44 St. Paul, MN 55155 (651) 259-5261
State Cost Share Program	Water Quality	MN	Minnesota Soil & Water Conservation Districts	Non-Federal	Program assists landowners financially with the installation of soil and water conservation practices.	Contact SWCD within the Twin Cities metro area.	Cost share ranges from 50% to 75% based on water quality impacts.	Contact local SWCD.	http://www.mnswcd.org/SWCDs_On_The_Web/swcds_on_the_web.htm	Contact local SWCD.
Watershed Pollutant Load Monitoring Network	Water Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	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 powers boards, Minnesota colleges and universities, nonprofit organizations and American Indian Tribal governments.	Contact MPCA for funding information	Contact MPCA for partnership information	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/watershed-pollutant-load-monitoring	Lee Ganske, 507-344-5248 (Mankato) Patrick Baskfield, 507-344-5240 (Mankato)
Washington Conservation District Water Quality Cost-Share	Water Quality	MN	Washington Conservation District	Non-Federal	WCD provides small grants to land owners wishing to improve surface water quality in Washington County. Eligible practices include rainwater gardens, infiltration systems, and other innovative approaches to treat stormwater runoff at the source.	Landowners in Washington County.	Contact the WCD staff to learn what funds are available.	Contact WCD	http://www.mnwcd.org/financial-assistance/	Contact SWCD.
Dam Safety Grants	Water Quantity	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	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	Reimbursement of costs, up to 50% for repairs, up to 100% for removals. Grants have ranged from \$25,000 to \$1,000,000	Before filling out the application, contact your area hydrologist or Jason Boyle, State Dam Safety Engineer	https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/surfacewater_section/damsafety/grants.html	Jason Boyle, State Dam Safety Engineer DNR Division of Waters (651) 259-5715 E-mail: jason.boyle@dnr.state.mn.us