

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
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 grants are not available to non-local government responsible parties.	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 grant round is approximately \$500,000	Proposals are due May 1 and November 1 each year, open 6 weeks prior.	https://www.ramseycounty.us/businesses/property-development/property-development-programs-incentives/environmental-response-fund	Martha Faust Redevelopment Manager 651-358-4341
Hennepin County Environmental Response Fund	Brownfields	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Environmental Response Fund (ERF) grants fund the assessment and cleanup of contaminated sites where conditions present a threat to human health or the environment, but where lack of funding and added environmental costs hinder site improvements or redevelopment. ERF grants are used for a variety of activities that provide community benefit, including assessment and cleanup of groundwater and evaluation and abatement of asbestos and lead-based paint. Priority is placed on locations that are intended as public or green spaces, establish affordable and moderately priced housing, and promote economic development.	Eligible applicants for ERF include municipalities, economic development agencies, housing and redevelopment authorities, non-profit organizations, public companies, and private for-profit companies located within Hennepin County. ERF grants are not available to non-local government responsible parties. ERF grants are available for the investigation or cleanup of non-petroleum contamination or petroleum-related contamination that is not eligible for reimbursement by the Minnesota Petrofund.	Approximately \$1-1.2 Million is available each funding round.	May 1, 2023	https://www.hennepin.us/business/property/brownfields	Brianna Boos (612) 348-5948 Lance Robinette (612) 543-4855 Michael Torres (612) 694-1841
Water Quality and Storage Program	Water Quality	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	The Water Quality and Storage Program grants will establish storage practices in the Minnesota River basin and the Lower Mississippi River basin in Minnesota. Eligible practices must control water rates and/or volumes to protect infrastructure, improve water quality and related public benefits, and mitigate climate change impacts.	Eligible applicants include municipalities, towns, counties, soil and water conservation districts, watershed districts, or organizations formed for the joint exercise of powers, tribal governments within the Minnesota River or Lower Mississippi River basins. Applicants must have a State or tribally approved and locally adopted water management plan, comprehensive watershed management plan, watershed district plan, or soil and water conservation district comprehensive plan.	\$1,000,000 is available in total. A minimum 25% match is required from non-state funds.	4:30 p.m. May 4, 2023	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Questions regarding grant applications should be directed to your area Board Conservationist or Clean Water Specialist
Monarch Butterfly and Pollinators Conservation Fund	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	All States	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	Federal	Technical Assistance for Private Working Lands Funding in this category will support implementation of technical assistance to increase the number of private landowners engaged in monarch butterfly and pollinator conservation practices on working lands. Habitat Improvement Funding in this category will support on-the-ground work to increase the quality, quantity and connectivity of habitat for the monarch butterfly and other native insect pollinators.	Eligible applicants include nonprofit 501(c) organizations, U.S. federal government agencies, state government agencies, local governments, municipal governments, tribal governments and organizations, and educational institutions. Ineligible applicants include businesses, unincorporated individuals, and international organizations.	The Pollinator Fund will award up to \$1.9 million in grants. Up to \$600,000 for Technical Assistance for Private Working Lands and up to \$1.3 million for Habitat Improvement.	May 11, 2023 pre-proposal due	https://www.nfwf.org/programs/monarch-butterfly-and-pollinators-conservation-fund?activeTab=tab-1	Crystal Boyd Manager of Pollinator Programs Crystal.Boyd@nfwf.org
Green Partners Environmental Education Program	Environmental & Education	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Hennepin County provides funding and support to organizations to actively educate, engage and motivate residents to become environmental stewards and make positive behavior changes. We focus on actions to prevent waste, recycle, reduce household hazardous waste, conserve energy, care for trees, protect pollinators, and improve our air and water quality.	Eligible organizations include: •Registered nonprofit organizations such as community groups, youth programs, congregations, etc. •Park districts •Private and public schools and school districts, including community education programs like ECFE. •Within Hennepin County	If you have received an environmental education grant before, you can apply for up to \$25,000 for a one-year project or, if you meet the criteria, up to \$50,000 for a two-year project. If you have never received an environmental education grant before, you can apply for up to \$30,000 for a one-year project.	May 11, 2023	http://www.hennepin.us/business/work-with-henn-co/green-partners-enviro-ed-prog	environment@hennepin.us (612) 348-3777
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 \$35 million in funding is available for all regions. Cost share of no less than 50% of total project cost.	May 18, 2023	https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/emergency-management-performance	Centralized Scheduling and Information askscid@fema.dhs.gov
Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Fund	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council	Non-Federal	The mission of the Outdoor Heritage Fund is to protect, restore, and enhance wetlands, prairies, forests and habitat for fish, game and wildlife. Priorities vary by region- see website for more information. Proposals should be of primary benefit to fish, game and wildlife.	Program is open to all who want to apply.	An estimated \$130 million available. Minimum award of \$500,000. Leverage funding encouraged.	4 p.m., Friday, May 26, 2023	https://www.isohc.leg.mn/	Sandy Smith (651) 297-7141 sandy.smith@isohc.leg.mn
Iron Range Resources Community Development Programs	Public Works	MN	MN Department of Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation	Non-Federal	Our Community Development Team is dedicated to working in partnership with northeastern Minnesota communities, local units of government, and a variety of community development partners, to support economic development by enriching and expanding the unique resources of Iron Range communities. Grant programs include broadband infrastructure, Business Energy Retrofit, Commercial Redevelopment, Community Infrastructure, Culture & Tourism, Development Infrastructure, Development Partnership, Downtown Building Rehabilitation, Grant Writing Assistance, Mineland Reclamation, Regional Trails, Residential Redevelopment, and Workforce Development.	Cities, townships or tribal units of government located within the agency's service area. Multi-organization collaboration is welcome.	Project funding will be awarded on a rolling basis based on availability	Applications are accepted July 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023 on a rolling basis subject to the availability of program funds.	https://mn.gov/irrb/grant-resources/	Chris Ismil 218-735-3010 ChrisIsmil@state.mn.us
North American Wetland Conservation Act Standard 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 U.S. Standard Grants Program is a competitive, matching grants program that supports public-private partnerships carrying out projects in the United States that further the goals of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA). These projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated migratory birds.	\$40 million (annually) for 24 North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) proposals for U.S. Standard Grants. Requires minimum 1:1 match	July 7, 2023 at 11:59 pm EST	https://www.fws.gov/service/north-american-wetlands-conservation-act-nawca-grants-us-standard	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 85% of the actual project cost.	March, May or July 15 each year	https://dakotaswcd.org/services/incentives/	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Rural Energy for America Program - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency - Grants	Environmental & Education	All States	USDA	Federal	USDA is offering grants for up to 40 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.	Renewable Energy System Grants: \$2,500 to \$1 mil. Energy Efficiency Grants: \$1,500 to \$500,000. Grants cover up to 50% of total eligible project costs.	Less than \$20,000: Oct 31 or March 31 Unrestricted Grant: March 31	http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency	For Minnesota: 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 Otherwise, contact the state rural development coordinator: https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/RBS_StateEnergyCoordinators.pdf

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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. Fees include an initial 1% of the guaranteed amount and a guarantee retention fee of 0.25% of the principal paid annually.	Less than \$20,000: Oct 31 or March 31 Unrestricted Loan: March 31	http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency	For Minnesota: 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 Otherwise, contact the state rural development coordinator: https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/RBS_StateEnergyCoordinators.pdf
Stewardship Fund Grants: Action Grants	Water Quality	MN	MWMO	Non-Federal	Available to complete a project, significant in scope and cost.	Eligible applicants for MWMO Stewardship Fund Grants include: -nonprofit organizations, officially recognized neighborhood groups, business and professional associations, schools; and local units of government. Stewardship Fund grants may not be used to fund projects installed only to meet regulatory requirements; however, stewardship funds may be used to fund portions of the project that create water quality innovations that exceed regulatory requirements. Physical projects must be located within MWMO boundaries or drain to receiving water bodies within the watershed.	The grant amount may not exceed \$50,000. 25% match required.	November 1, 2023	https://www.mwmo.org/grants/stewardship-fund-grants/	Adam Flett Communications and Outreach Specialist 612-746-4988 aflett@mwmo.org
Tax Base Revitalization Account	Brownfields	MN	Metropolitan Council	Non-Federal	The Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) provides \$5 million annually to investigate and clean up brownfields — contaminated land, ground water, or buildings — for redevelopment. TBRA provides key support for a wide range of projects, from affordable and market rate multi-family housing to commercial and industrial redevelopment. Grants include Seeing Environmental Development (SEED), Site Investigation, and Cleanup	Cities, counties, and local development authorities located in the 7-county metro area and participating in the Metropolitan Livable Communities Housing Incentives Program are eligible to apply for funds. Applications involving public-private partnerships are most competitive. Cleanup grant applicants must have an MPCA-approved RAP, but investigation grants can fund RAP development.	Cleanup: \$2,375,000 available each round, Limit of 50% available funding. No match Site Investigation: \$125,000 available per round, Limit \$50,000 per project, 25% match required SEED: \$250,000 available per round, Limit \$50,000 per project	November 1, 2023	https://metrocouncil.org/Communities/Services/Livable-Communities-Grants/Tax-Base-Revitalization-Account-(TBRA).aspx	Marcus Martin Phone: (651) 602-1054 Email: marcus.martin@metc.state.mn.us
Green Partners (Commercial Sector Recycling)	Environmental & Education	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Hennepin County has created a new grant program to fund innovative projects that prevent waste in the business sector. Areas of focus can include prevention of food waste, reuse and recovery of goods and materials, and development and use of recovered products.	For-profit and non-profit businesses, organizations and institutions, including multifamily housing. Must be used to improve your organization's recycling program at facilities located in Hennepin County.	Each applicant may apply for up to \$50,000 toward a project with a minimum of \$5,000. Grants over \$10,000 require a 25% match.	Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until Monday, November 13, 2023, or until the annual program budget is exhausted, whichever occurs first.	http://www.hennepin.us/businessrecycling	businessrecycling@hennepin.us 612-543-9298
National Fish Passage Program Base Funding	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	All States	Fish and Wildlife Service	Federal	The National Fish Passage Program (NFPP) is a voluntary program that provides direct technical and financial assistance to partners to remove instream barriers and restore aquatic organism passage and aquatic connectivity for the benefit of Federal trust resources. NFPP funds a variety of project types including, but not limited to, dam removals, culvert replacements, floodplain restoration, and the installation of fishways.	State governments, Independent school districts, For-profit organizations other than small businesses, Small businesses, Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments), Private institutions of higher education, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Special district governments, Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification), Individuals, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)	\$9.2 million available. Grants can range from \$500 to \$2 million	December 31, 2023 11:59pm	Search Grants GRANTS.GOV	Shannon Boyle shannon_boyle@fws.gov
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-swdp/programs-services/cost-share-program/#:~:text=Any%20land%20owner,eligible%20costs%20of%20a%20project	Terry Meiller Resource Conservationist 952-466-5230 tmeiller@co.carver.mn.us
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.	2022 GAP Financing Program (mnbrownfields.org)	Heidi Timm Bjold grants@mnbrownfields.org
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Clean Water Project Grants	Water Quality	MN	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD)	Non-Federal	Clean Water Project Grants provide technical and financial assistance to residents, non-profits, schools, businesses, and public agencies within Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) to build projects that prevent stormwater pollution from entering our lakes and the Mississippi River. 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.) 5) green roofs. Clean Water Projects demonstrating innovative design concepts that may provide less water quality benefit but provide other substantial community benefits must contact the CRWD Stormwater BMP Specialist for additional application and program requirements.	Any resident, non-profit, school, business, and public agency within CRWD's boundaries is encouraged to apply.	Awards range from \$500 to \$200,000 Match requirements: 5% for residential, public agencies and non-profits; and 25% for businesses and other for-profit organizations Projects in Saint Anthony Hill, Trout Brook, and Phalen Creek subwatersheds require lower match rates (residential: none; public agencies and non-profits: 5%; businesses and for-profit organizations: 10%)	Applications accepted all year.	Clean Water Project Grants - CRWD (capitolregionwd.org)	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	\$5,000 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%24%20000%20of%20cost,preserve%20or%20restore%20natural%20resources	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
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 forest landowners	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



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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.	Eligible applicants include Tribes, townships, cities, counties, watershed districts, watershed management organizations, or joint powers board whose members are townships, cities, or counties.	Typically \$500 or less. Maximum of \$750	Applications accepted all year as long as funding is available	https://freshwaterfuture.org/special-opportunity-grants/	Laurie, laurie@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: -Most state and local governmental entities -Private nonprofits -Federally-recognized tribes	Long-term, low-interest loans 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: -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 \$400	Applications accepted all year.	http://www.rpbcd.org/grants	Liz Forbes, Grant coordinator 952-607-6481 lforbes@rpbcd.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. Funds non-agricultural water quality projects that preserve or restore natural resources.	Dakota County property owners	Up to \$5,000 available to fund each project, up to 85% of total cost.	Applications accepted all year.	https://dakotaswcd.org/services/incentives/	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Minnesota Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (MN CREP) Outreach and Implementation Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	MN CREP is a voluntary, federal-state funded natural resource conservation program that uses a science based approach to target environmentally sensitive land. MN CREP will focus on four main Conservation Practices: grass filter strips, wetland restoration (floodplain and non-floodplain), and wellhead protection areas. The purpose of this project is to accelerate staff capacity to deliver the MN CREP funds.	Soil and water conservation districts within the CREP project area (southern MN 54 counties).	Up to \$4,430,953 in funding is available to increase the FBA staff full-time equivalents, realign existing non-FBA staff priorities to focus on CREP, and/or secure new staff.	All year	https://bwr.state.mn.us/crep-outreach-and-implementation/#:~:text=The%20MN%20CREP%20Outreach%20and%20Implementation%20grant%20accelerates%20for%20space%20and%20other%20associated%20overhead%20costs.	Dusty Van Thayne dusty.vanthyne@state.mn.us 651-508-0000
Economic Development Assistance Program	Public Works	All States	Economic Development Administration	Federal	EDA provides strategic investments on a competitive merit basis to support economic development, foster job creation, and attract private investment in economically distressed areas of the United States. Under this NOFO, EDA solicits applications from applicants in order to provide investments that support research and technical assistance projects under EDA's R&E and NTA programs. Grants and cooperative agreements made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities.	A District Organization; an Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes; a State; a city or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions; an institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education; a public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State; private individual; or a for-profit organization	Awards range from \$1 to \$1,500,000	All year	https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=306735	http://www.eda.gov/contact/
Regional Conservation Partnership Program	Water Quality	All States	USDA NRCS	Federal	The Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) is a partner-driven approach to conservation that funds solutions to natural resource challenges on agricultural land. RCPP projects may include a range of on-the-ground conservation activities implemented by farmers, ranchers and forest landowners. These activities include: Land management/land improvement/restoration practices Land rentals Entity-held easements United States-held easements Public works/watersheds A single RCPP project application can propose to employ any combination of these eligible activity types as part of an RCPP project.	Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized) Institutions of higher education State governments County governments Special district governments City or township governments Agricultural or silvicultural producer association Farmer cooperative Water district, irrigation district, rural water district or association	\$360 million in funding available; Award ceiling is \$10,000,000; Award floor is \$250,000	Contact	https://www.usda.gov/region/nrcs/conservation-partnership-program	rcpp@usda.gov or state coordinator
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: -Identify innovative, 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 Grant categories are: -Partner grants -Clean Water project grants -Planning grants -Clean water project maintenance grants -Native landscape grants -Rain barrel workshop grants -Wellhead easement grants	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	Contact	http://www.capitolregionwd.org/our-work/grants/special-grants/	Nate Zwonitzer nzwonitzer@capitolregionwd.org (651) 644-8888 ext. 109
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.maswcd.org/SWCDs_On_The_Web/swcds_on_the_web.htm	Contact local SWCD.
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.
National Water Quality Initiative Source Water Protection Area Program	Water Quality	All States	NRCS	Federal	NWQI Source Water Protection Area projects focus on addressing specific agriculturally related source water protection needs by channeling NRCS conservation program funding to agricultural producers in identified watersheds to implement practices that help to protect sources of drinking water. FY2020 funding may be used to continue currently approved watersheds and source water protection areas, request new watersheds for the implementation and readiness phases of NWQI, request to withdraw current NWQI watersheds.	State conservationists proposing priority watersheds (12-digit HUCs) with impaired or threatened water bodies in collaboration with the state water quality agency and other partners.	\$30 million allocated	Contact	https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/water/?cid=stelprdb1047761	John Bullough Conservation Initiatives Coordinator john.bullough@usda.gov



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Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations (WFPO) Program	Water Quantity	All States	NRCS	Federal	The Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention (WFPO) Program helps units of federal, state, local and federally recognized tribal governments (project sponsors) protect and restore watersheds.	States, local governments and tribal organizations	\$500 million available annually until expended. 1:1 cost share is required	Estimated application opening dates are the first quarter of each year. Contact for more information.	Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations - National Wildlife Federation Nature-based Funding Database (nwf.org)	Contact local USDA Service Center https://www.farmers.gov/working-with-us/service-center-locator
Corps Water Infrastructure Financing Program (CWIFP)	Water Quantity	All States	USACE	Federal	Long-term, low-cost loans from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to enable local investment in projects that enhance community resilience, promote economic prosperity, and improve environmental quality. Projects must be non-federally owned, operated, and maintained. Projects can include 1) flood damage reduction, hurricane and storm damage reduction, environmental restoration, coastal or inland harbor navigation improvement, or inland and intracoastal waterways navigation improvement and 2) Acquisition of real property or an interest in real property. The acquisition must either be integral to the project or would mitigate the environmental impacts of water resources infrastructure projects otherwise eligible for CWIFP credit assistance.	Prospective borrowers can be a corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, state or local governmental entity, agency or instrumentality, a tribal government or consortium of tribal governments, or a state infrastructure financing authority	Current appropriations enable the CWIFP to provide up to \$7.5B+ in loans for maintaining, upgrading and repairing dams for any non-Federal borrowers. The program is open to projects or bundles of projects that have a total cost of \$20M or more.	Contact	Corps Water Infrastructure Financing Program (CWIFP) (army.mil)	Aaron Snyder, Corps Water Infrastructure Financing Team (612) 518-0355, CWIFP@usace.army.mil