

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
Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grants	Renewable Energy	All States	EPA	Federal	These competitions are open to entities that received planning grants to develop Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) under phase 1 of the CPRG program, as well as entities that did not directly receive a planning grant that are applying for funds to implement measures included in an applicable PCAP. The CPRG general competition for implementation grants is designed to enable states, municipalities, tribes, and territories to achieve the following goals: 1. Implement ambitious measures that will achieve significant cumulative GHG reductions by 2030 and beyond; 2. Pursue measures that will achieve substantial community benefits (such as reduction of criteria air pollutants (CAPs) and hazardous air pollutants (HAPs)), particularly in low-income and disadvantaged communities; 3. Complement other funding sources to maximize these GHG reductions and community benefits; and, 4. Pursue innovative policies and programs that are replicable and can be "scaled up" across multiple jurisdictions.	There are 2 funding competitions - general and tribes/territories. General application: states, municipalities, tribes, tribal consortia, and territories Tribes and territories: tribes, tribal consortia, territories	For the general competition, EPA anticipates awarding individual grants between \$2 million and \$500 million, with funding tiers allowing comparably sized projects to compete against one another. For the competition for tribes and territories, EPA anticipates awarding individual grants ranging between \$1 million to \$25 million.	May 1, 2024, 11:59 p.m. ET for tribes and territories	https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/about-cprg-implementation-grants	CPRG@epa.gov
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, 2024 at 3 p.m.	https://www.hennepin.us/business/property/brownfields	brownfields@hennepin.us Brianna Boos (612) 348-5948 Lance Robinette (612) 543-4855 Michael Torres (612) 694-1841
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: \$2,250,000 available each round, Limit of 50% available funding. No match Site Investigation: \$250,000 available per round, Limit \$50,000 per project, 25% match required SEED: \$250,000 available per round, Limit \$50,000 per project	May 1, 2024	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
Contamination Investigation and RAP Development Grant	Brownfields	MN	MN Department of Employment and Economic Development	Non-Federal	Administered by DEED, this program is designed to assist communities in contamination investigation and RAP development. Similar to the Contamination Cleanup Grant, the applicant must be able to demonstrate the existence of a community supported redevelopment plan with an appropriate completion timeline. Funded activities include: site investigation (Phase I and Phase II), RAP development.	Eligible applicants include cities, counties, port authorities, housing and redevelopment authorities and economic development authorities. Both publicly and privately owned sites with known soil or groundwater contamination qualify. Cleanup grant applicants must have an MPCA-approved RAP.	Approximately \$4 million is available. Grants can pay for up to 75% of the costs of investigation, cleanup, and other costs necessary to implement the RAP. Awards require a 25% local match. 35% of funds are dedicated to projects outside the seven-county metropolitan area. Awards not to exceed \$50,000.	4 p.m. May 1 and November 1 of each year	http://mn.gov/deed/government/financial-assistance/cleanup/contamination.jsp	Kristin Lukes Director, Office of Brownfields and Redevelopment 651-259-7451 or 800-657-3858
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
Statewide prevention of wasted food and food rescue grants	Environmental & Education	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	In this grant round, the MPCA has approximately \$4.5 million available to support prevention of wasted food and food rescue projects across the state. Organics make up about one third of the municipal waste stream in Minnesota. In line with the waste hierarchy, it is first preferable to prevent wasted food, followed by donating food to people. For this reason, this grant focuses specifically on prevention of wasted food and food rescue.	Eligible applicants include entities that are serving Minnesota communities or have operations in Minnesota, such as not-for-profit organizations, businesses, institutions, political subdivisions of the state (including counties, cities, towns, etc.). State agencies, and tribal governments. Multi-organizational collaboration is encouraged. Funds may be used for programs, staffing, or equipment/supplies for prevention of wasted food and food rescue. Funds must be used for food waste prevention and food rescue only.	Total available funds: \$4.5 million Minimum award: \$75,000 (Applicants asking for less than the minimum grant award will be deemed ineligible.) Maximum award: \$1 million Match: Applicants must match at least 25% of the grant request.	4 p.m. on May 2, 2024	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/business-with-us/grants-joins-and-contracts	grants.pca@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 wastewater 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 2018	Project plans due: March 1, 2024 Clean Water PPL Application Request: March 1, 2024 Drinking Water PPL Application Request: May 3, 2024 IUP Application Request: June 7, 2024	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
Small Shipyards Grants	Transportation	All States	U.S. Department of Transportation Maritime Administration	Federal	The Maritime Administration's Small Shipyard Grant Program offers funds for small shipyards to make capital improvements for qualified small shipyard facilities that will be effective in fostering efficiency, competitive operations, and quality ship construction, repair, and reconfiguration. Grant funds may also be used for maritime training programs to foster technical skills and operational productivity. Grants may not be used to construct buildings or other physical facilities or to acquire land.	The shipyard facility for which a grant is sought must be in a single geographic location and may not have more than 1,200 production employees. The applicant must be the operating company of the shipyard facility. The shipyard facility must construct, repair, or reconfigure vessels 40 feet in length or greater for commercial or government use, or construct, repair, or reconfigure vessels 100 feet in length or greater for non-commercial vessels.	\$8,750,000 is currently available. Typical grant amount has been about \$1 million. 25% non-federal match required.	May 8, 2024 5:00 pm EDT	https://www.maritime.dot.gov/grants-finance/small-shipyard-grants	David Heller Director, Office of Shipyards and Marine Engineering, Maritime Administration 202-366-5737 smallshipyardgrants@dot.gov



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WaterSMART Snow Water Supply Forecasting Program	Water Quantity	All States	Bureau of Reclamation	Federal	This opportunity aims to improve the skill of water supply forecasts via enhancing snow monitoring through the deployment of emerging technologies to complement existing monitoring techniques and networks. The NOFO invites proposals from eligible applicants that are invested in and capable of demonstrating emerging or deploying existing snow monitoring technologies and/or use of snow monitoring data to enhance water supply forecast skill.	Nonprofits, state governments, independent school districts, county governments, small businesses, public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, for profit organizations other than small businesses, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, private institutions of higher education, individuals, Native American tribal governments, city of township governments	Maximum \$999,999 Minimum \$300,000	4 p.m. MDT on May 6, 2024	https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search?keywords=watersmart	Christina Munoz bor-sha-fafoa@usbr.gov
Port Infrastructure Development Grants	Transportation	All States	U.S. Department of Transportation Maritime Administration	Federal	Funds for the Port Infrastructure Development Program are to be awarded as discretionary grants on a competitive basis for projects that will improve the safety, efficiency, or reliability of the movement of goods into, out of, around, or within a coastal seaport, as well as the unloading and loading of cargo at a coastal seaport.	Special district governments, city or township governments, state governments, county governments, National American tribal governments (federally recognized)	Minimum of \$1 million Maximum of \$112.5 million Total Funding of \$450 million	May 10, 2024 by 11:59 pm EST	https://www.maritime.dot.gov/PIDGrants	Contact the PIDP staff via email at PIDPgrants@dot.gov, or call Wade Morefield at 202-366-6025
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
Lawns to Legumes Grant Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	The Lawns to Legumes Demonstration program aims to establish projects on residential properties and is intended to enhance pollinator habitat in key corridors, raise awareness for residential pollinator protection, and showcase best practices.	Cities, counties, watershed districts, soil and water conservation districts, non-governmental organizations, tribal governments, individuals (only for individual funding, not neighborhood demonstration)	Neighborhood Demonstration: \$540,000 available for new demonstration neighborhood. Minimum \$20,000, maximum \$40,000. \$526,000 available for new or past demonstration neighborhoods (maximum \$20,000 for past grantees). Maximum cost of \$1,500 per residential project, \$5,000 for community space. Individual applicants eligible for up to \$400 in costs with a 25% match requirement.	May 15, 2024	https://bwsr.state.mn.us/l2/	Dan Shaw dan.shaw@state.mn.us 612-236-6291
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 24, 2024	https://www.lsohc.leg.mn/	Sandy Smith (651) 297-7141 sandy.smith@lsohc.leg.mn
Water Resources Research National Competitive Grants Program	Water Quality	All States	USGS and NIWR	Federal	The Water Availability and Use Science Program (WAUSP) of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is offering a two-year cooperative agreement opportunity to State water resource agencies that collect water-use data to participate in the Water Use Data and Research (WUDR) program. The USGS WUDR program will provide financial assistance, through cooperative agreements with State Water Resource agencies, to improve the availability, quality, compatibility, and delivery of water-use data that is collected and/or estimated by States.	State governments State Water Resource Agencies which collect or manage water-use data.	Approximately \$1.5 million available. Minimum: \$24,000 Maximum: \$125,000	May 30, 2024 by 5pm ET	The United States Geological Survey Water Resources Research Act Program: How to Apply for Grants and Internships. (usgs.gov)	Sara Roser sroserr@usgs.gov
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: \$15,000,000 Award ceiling: \$750,000	Applications accepted on a rolling basis, deadline September 29, 2024. For FY24 funding, applications must be submitted by May 30, 2024	https://grants.gov/search-grants/?keywords=fish	Andreas Moshogianis 571-305-3817 andreas_moshogianis@fws.gov
Natural Resources Grants - Opportunity Grant	Water Quality	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	The goal of this program is to provide financial and technical support for partner-led projects that preserve and protect our natural resources. Opportunity Grants are ideal for larger projects seeking to leverage multiple funding sources to address significant water quality and natural resources concerns across one or more projects on individual or multiple properties. Project purposes may include: - Reduce erosion and sedimentation - Improve water quality - Protect groundwater quality or reduce groundwater use - Preserve, restore, or establish critical habitat	The following entities in Hennepin County: individual landowners, non-profit and non-governmental organizations, local government agencies, businesses	A typical grant amount is \$25,000, with a maximum amount of \$50,000.	May 30, 2024	https://www.hennepin.us/business/conservation/funding-assistance-natural-resources-projects	Ellen Sones ellen.sones@hennepin.us 612-596-1173
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	March 15, 2024: Development Infrastructure, Community Infrastructure programs May 31, 2024: Commercial Redevelopment, Broadband Infrastructure, Residential Redevelopment, Development Partnership, Grant Writing Assistance, Mineland Reclamation, Regional Trails, Workforce Development	https://mn.gov/irrb/grant-resources/	matt.ejoberg@state.mn.us 1-877-829-3936

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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. Flood damage reduction studies for planning and implementing structural and non-structural measures, including acquisition of structures in the flood plain, relocations, flood-proofing, development of flood warning systems, public education, flood plain restorations, dams, dikes, levees, flood bypass channels, flood storage structures, water level control structures and other related activities	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
Multipurpose Drainage Management (MDM) Competitive Grants Program	Water Quality	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	This competitive grant program funds multipurpose drainage management practices, targeting critical pollution source areas to reduce erosion and sedimentation, reduce peak flows and flooding, and improve water quality, while protecting drainage system efficiency and reducing drainage system maintenance for priority Chapter 103E drainage systems.	Eligible entities include: - Drainage authorities - Local governments working under a current State approved and locally adopted local water management plan, comprehensive watershed management plan or soil and water conservation district comprehensive plan. - Municipalities that have a water plan that has been approved by a watershed district or a watershed management organization as provided under Minn. Stat. 103B.235; or adopted an approved comprehensive watershed management plan developed under Minn. Stat. 103B.801 - Counties in the seven-county metropolitan area are eligible if they have adopted a county groundwater plan under Minn. Stat. 103B.255 or county comprehensive plan that has been approved by the Metropolitan Council	A total of \$900,000 will be available 10% match required.	June 3, 2024	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. A map of work areas and contact information is available at: www.bwsr.state.mn.us/contact/BC_areas.pdf . Questions may also be submitted by email to Tim Gillette, BWSR Conservation Drainage Engineer at: tim.gillette@state.mn.us . Responses will be posted on the BWSR website weekly.
Solar on Public Buildings	Renewable Energy	MN	MN Department of Commerce	Non-Federal	The purpose of the Solar on Public Buildings Grant Program is to provide grants to stimulate the installation of solar energy systems on public buildings. Grants under this program can cover the purchase and installation costs of a solar energy generating system. A solar energy generating system may qualify for a grant if it: - Is installed on or adjacent to a public building that consumes the electricity generated by the solar generating system; - Has a system capacity of 40 kW or less, or 120% of the building's annual electricity consumption averaged over three years, whichever is less	Counties, cities (statutory or home rule charter), towns, and other local government jurisdictions in Minnesota, excluding schools districts qualified for financial assistance. Federally recognized Indian tribes.	Fund availability is based on a tier system based on net tax capacity per capita. Maximum awards range from \$36,000 to \$84,000 up to 70% of project cost.	Readiness Assessment: June 3, 2024 Full application: September 23, 2024	https://mn.gov/commerce/energy/consumer/energy-programs/solar-public-buildings.jsp	University of Minnesota partner Clean Energy Resource Teams (CERTs) Representative, Peter Lindstrom (612-625-9634; plindstr@umn.edu)
One Watershed, One Plan Planning Grants	Water Quality	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	Up to \$1 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.	4:30 p.m. June 13, 2024	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Julie Westerlund julie.westerlund@state.mn.us 651-297-5617
Pollinator Pathways Grants	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	Pollinator Pathways grants (formerly called Lawns to Legumes Demonstration Neighborhood grants) support community projects intended to enhance pollinator habitat in key corridors, raise awareness about residential pollinator protection and showcase best practices. Organizations overseeing a Pollinator Pathways grant work with local residents and organizations to install new pollinator habitat in residential and community spaces. Previously, grants were awarded in 32 communities across Minnesota.	Tribal governments, soil and water conservation districts, watershed districts, counties, municipalities, non-government organizations and pre-k through grade 12 schools (public and non-profit), Joint Powers Board, Townships	\$1.1M available \$50,000 minimum; no maximum A non-state match equal to at least 10% of the amount of the grant received is required.	June 20, 2024 by 4:30 pm	https://bwsr.state.mn.us/apply	Erin Loeffler Erin.Loeffler@state.mn.us
Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)	Water Quantity	All States	FEMA	Federal	The FY 2024 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program is one of the grant programs that constitute the DHS/Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) focus on all-hazards emergency preparedness. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by DHS/FEMA to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial emergency management agencies to implement the National Preparedness System and the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. For FY 2024, the three national priorities are: equity, climate resilience, and readiness.	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 \$319.5 million in funding is available for all regions. Cost share of no less than 50% of total project cost.	June 24, 2024, 5p.m. ET	https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/emergency-management-performance	FEMA GO Help Desk 1-877-585-3243 femago@fema.dhs.gov
Habitat Enhancement Landscape Pilot (HELP) Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	The Habitat Enhancement Landscape Pilot (HELP) program is focused on restoring and enhancing strategically located, diverse native habitat across Minnesota on conservation lands and natural areas to benefit populations of pollinators and beneficial insects as well as overall plant and animal diversity. The program also provides co-benefits of carbon sequestration, soil health and water quality improvements, and increased landscape resiliency.	Tribal governments, soil and water conservation districts, watershed districts, watershed management organizations, local government joint powers boards, counties, municipalities, non-government organizations, park districts and contractors	A total of \$3.5M is available. Applicants can apply for grants of \$50,000 to \$500,000 which can include projects on multiple properties	June 27, 2024 by 4:30 pm	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/apply	Dan Shaw dan.shaw@state.mn.us 612-236-6291
Stewardship Fund Grants: Action Grants	Water Quality	MN	MWMO	Non-Federal	Action Grants are available to complete a water quality and stewardship project that is significant in scope and cost. Examples include erosion control practices, planting native plant buffers around waterbodies, ecological restoration, implementation of program designs that could result in positive, long-term changes in community behaviors, construction of stormwater BMPs to reduce pollution and improve habitat, construction of impervious surfaces with high-capacity pervious materials, implementation of an educational curriculum, or implementation of water quality themed educational activities.	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.	June 28, 2024 by 4:30 pm CT	https://www.mwmo.org/grants/stewardship-fund-grants/	Adam Flett Communications and Outreach Specialist 612-746-4988 aflett@mwmo.org
Stewardship Fund Grants: Community Grants	Water Quality	MN	MWMO	Non-Federal	Available for short-term or small-scale water quality projects. Examples include: community events, programs for youth and community leadership development in the environment, educational and technical training, art or media projects depicting water and natural resource issues, installation of small BMPs, engagement processes that help identify water and natural resource issues of concern to a community, and educational signs or brochures to explain water quality improvement projects.	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 \$5,000. No matching funds are required.	June 28, 2024 4:30pm	https://www.mwmo.org/grants/stewardship-fund-grants/	Adam Flett aflett@mwmo.org 612-746-4988
Metro community air monitoring pilot grant program	Air Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA requests proposals from eligible applicants to run a community air monitoring pilot grant program. This grant is designed to monitor air quality on a neighborhood scale (deployment of fixed continuous monitoring sensors as dense as is reasonably possible and spatiotemporal (mobile) sensors are deployed such that they cover each block within the network) in communities disproportionately impacted by air pollution, to engage those communities in outreach and cooperation, and to provide data to the MPCA that can help with decision making.	Non-profits within any of the 7 counties in the metro region, who can perform neighborhood-scale air monitoring themselves, or that are partnering with entities that have expertise in neighborhood-scale air monitoring are eligible to apply.	Total available funds: \$4.85 million Minimum award: \$750,000 per project	June 28, 2024 by 4:30 pm CT	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/regulations/funding-opportunities	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency grants.pca@state.mn.us



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Drinking water planning and design funds for PFAS treatment	Water Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	Proposals are requested from eligible applicants for planning and design of long-term treatment solutions for public drinking water contaminated with Per- and polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS). This opportunity provides funding for planning and design of PFAS treatment systems. Eligible projects must plan and/or design drinking water treatment systems to address PFAS contamination for public water supplies. Costs should include PFAS treatment, necessary pretreatment for PFAS treatment, and water distribution system upgrades associated with PFAS treatment.	Owners and operators of community drinking water supply systems in Minnesota.	Total funding available: \$22 million	This RFP will remain open, and applications will be accepted on a rolling, first come, first serve basis until all dedicated funds have been awarded or 4:00 pm Central Time on Friday, June 28, 2024, whichever occurs first.	Drinking water planning and design funds for PFAS treatment Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (state.mn.us)	grants.pca@state.mn.us
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.	December 31, 2023 March 31, 2024 June 30, 2024 September 30, 2024	https://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
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.	March 31, 2024 June 30, 2024 September 30, 2024	https://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
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	\$1.5 billion in funding available; Award ceiling is \$25,000,000; Award floor is \$250,000	July 2, 2024	Regional Conservation Partnership Program Natural Resources Conservation Service (usda.gov)	rcpp@usda.gov or state coordinator
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 11, 2024 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
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. Total cost for academic and/or non-academic subcontractors shall not exceed 50% of the total proposal budget	Idea Submission: April 1, 2024 Proposals Due: September 10, 2024	https://www.dot.state.mn.us/research/process-and-docs.html	Email research.dot@state.mn.us or call 651-366-3780
Great Lakes Environmental Justice Grant Program (GLEJGP)	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	Great Lakes Basin States	EPA	Federal	The purpose of the RFA is to help fulfill EPA's commitment to environmental justice (EJ) by establishing Great Lakes Environmental Justice Grant Programs (GLEJGP) to be used for issuing and overseeing subawards for environmental restoration projects in underserved Great Lakes communities.	State agencies, interstate agencies, federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations, local governments, institutions of higher learning (i.e., colleges and universities), and non-profit organizations as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200	Total funding available is \$20,000,000. Maximum of \$20,000,000. Minimum of \$2,000,000	September 15, 2024	https://www.gleji.us/funding	Cara Walsh GLRI-RFA@epa.gov
Green Partners (Commercial Sector Recycling)	Environmental & Education	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	This Hennepin County grant program was created to fund projects that start or improve solid waste prevention in the business and nonprofit sectors. Any project that prevents, reduces, or reuses waste (trash, recycling, and organics) may be eligible. Projects to start or improve recycling or organics programs do not qualify for this funding.	For-profit businesses and nonprofit organizations located in Hennepin County that are registered with the Minnesota Secretary of State are eligible to apply. Out-of-state businesses can apply but must register with the Minnesota Secretary of State to be considered, and all projects must occur in Hennepin County.	Grant requests must be between \$2,500 and \$50,000. All grants must include matching funds of 25% of the total grant fund request.	Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until Monday, November 11, 2024, or until the annual program budget is exhausted, whichever occurs first.	https://www.hennepin.us/businessrecycling	businessrecycling@hennepin.us 612-543-9298
Inflation Reduction Act Community Change Grants Program	Environmental Justice	All States	US EPA	Federal	Community Change Grants support environmental and climate justice activities to benefit disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience, and build community capacity to address environmental and climate justice challenges. These place-based investments will be focused on community-driven initiatives to be responsive to community and stakeholder input. They are designed to deliver on the transformative potential of the IRA for communities most adversely and disproportionately impacted by climate change, legacy pollution, and historical disinvestments.	- A partnership between two community-based non-profit organizations (CBOs). - A partnership between a CBO and one of the following: a Federally-Recognized Tribe a local government an institution of higher education	Community-Driven Investments for Change projects: \$10-20 million Meaningful Engagement for Equitable Governance projects: \$1-3 million	November 21, 2024	https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program	CCGP@epa.gov

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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	\$850,000 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
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)	\$7 million available. Grants can range from \$500 to \$1 million	December 31, 2024 11:59pm	Search Grants GRANTS.GOV	Shannon Boyle shannon_boyle@fws.gov
National Fish Passage Program Bipartisan Infrastructure Law: Restoring River, Floodplain, and Coastal Connectivity and Resiliency	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	All States	Fish and Wildlife Service	Federal	The NFPP is a voluntary program that provides direct technical and financial assistance to partners to remove instream barriers, restore aquatic organism passage, and restore climate resilient aquatic connectivity in rivers, floodplains, and coastal habitats for the benefit of Federal trust resources. The program targets aquatic connectivity opportunities that rebuild productive and sustainable fisheries, contribute to the recovery and conservation of the Service's aquatic trust species, enhance watershed health, promote resilient ecosystems and communities especially in disadvantaged communities, and improve economic vitality, including local employment. NFPP aims to maintain or increase native fish populations to improve ecosystem resiliency and provide quality fishing experiences for the American people. Activities that restore aquatic connectivity and fish passage also support the modernization of the country's infrastructure such as road culverts, bridges, and water diversions contributing to enhanced community resilience to the impacts from climate change and other public safety hazards. NFPP funds a variety of project types including, but not limited to dam removals, culvert replacements, floodplain restoration and reconnection, dike breaches, and reconnection of tidal habitats.	Individuals, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Independent school districts, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Private institutions of higher education, Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification), Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, City or township governments, Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments), Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Small businesses, For profit organizations other than small businesses, State governments, County governments, Special district governments	\$70 million available. Grants can range from \$250,000 to \$10 million	December 31, 2024	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/350554	Amy Horstman amy_horstman@fws.gov
Performance Review and Assistance Program	Water Quality	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	BWSR uses the program to provide assistance grants to local government units (LGUs) that desire to make improvements, including improving the efficiency and effectiveness in delivering and executing planned organizational goals and objectives.	Soil and Water Conservation Districts; Watershed Districts; Watershed Management Organizations; Joint Powers Associations or Boards, or other types of local government water management partnerships	Maximum: \$10,000 for a single entity, \$20,000 for projects that involve multiple entities or partnerships	December 31, 2024 as funding is available	https://bwsr.state.mn.us/grant-profile-community-partners	Don Bajumpaa, Don.Bajumpaa@state.mn.us
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 by 4:30 p.m. as funding is available	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Sharon Doucette Sharon.Doucette@state.mn.us
Cost Share Grant Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	Nine Mile Creek Watershed District	Non-Federal	Cost Share Program offers grant funds for efforts that protect and improve water and natural resources within the Nine Mile Creek Watershed. Grant funds are available for implementing projects that support one or more of the following goals: • Improve water quality or increase the capacity of the watershed to store and infiltrate water • Protect and preserve groundwater quality and quantity • Preserve, protect, and restore native plant and wildlife habitats, with emphasis on projects adjacent lakes, rivers, and wetlands	Grant funding is open to: • Residents • Townhome, condominium, and lake associations • Commercial, government, and nonprofit organizations	Grants will be awarded for up to 50% of a project's cost, on a reimbursement basis, for materials, labor, engineering, and consulting fees. A 50% match is required. Maximum grant award: • Residential: \$3,000 • Townhome, condominium, or lake association: \$5,000 • Nonprofit, commercial, or government: \$10,000	Starting January 1, 2024, applications will be reviewed monthly by a grant committee after which you will be notified if your project was selected for funding.	https://www.ninemilecreek.org/get-involved/grants/	Lizzy, Watershed Specialist 952-248-0410 eboor@ninemilecreek.org
Cost Share Grant Program	Water Quality	MN	Nine Mile Creek Watershed District	Non-Federal	Cost Share Program offers grant funds for efforts that protect and improve water and natural resources within the Nine Mile Creek Watershed. Grant funds are available for implementing projects that support one or more of the following goals: • Improve water quality or increase the capacity of the watershed to store and infiltrate water • Protect and preserve groundwater quality and quantity • Preserve, protect, and restore native plant and wildlife habitats, with emphasis on projects adjacent lakes, rivers, and wetlands	Grant funding is open to: • Residents • Townhome, condominium, and lake associations • Commercial, government, and nonprofit organizations	Grants will be awarded for up to 75% of a project's cost, on a reimbursement basis, for materials, labor, engineering, and consulting fees. A 25% match is required. Maximum grant award: • Residential: \$5,000 • Townhome, condominium, or lake association: \$20,000 • Nonprofit, commercial, or government: \$50,000	Starting January 1, 2024, applications will be reviewed monthly by a grant committee after which you will be notified if your project was selected for funding.	https://www.ninemilecreek.org/get-involved/grants/	Lizzy, Watershed Specialist 952-248-0410 eboor@ninemilecreek.org
Midwest Climate and Energy Grants	Environmental & Education	MN, WI, IA	McKnight Foundation	Non-Federal	The McKnight Foundation funds projects related to transforming the energy sector, decarbonizing transportation, decarbonizing buildings, protecting/improving natural and working lands, and strengthening the democratic participation.	Applicants must be classified as tax-exempt, nonprofit organizations to be eligible for a grant. Government entities, including state, county, and municipal, may apply for funding for innovative projects. We generally will not fund activities that are traditionally the sole responsibility of the government.	Total funding available is \$32 million	All year on a rolling basis. It is recommended to submit a request by September 1.	https://www.mcknight.org/programs/midwest-climate-energy/how-to-apply/	kjohnson@mcknight.org 612-333-4220
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 MPFA. 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.	Cities, counties, townships, sanitary districts or other governmental subdivisions responsible for wastewater treatment are eligible.	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	Becky Sabie, Program Coordinator 651-259-7470
Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	University of MN Extension	Non-Federal	The Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships (RSDP) bring together community and University knowledge and resources to drive sustainability in four focus areas: agriculture and food systems, clean energy, natural resources and resilient communities. We support local projects through five regional boards made up of community members and University faculty and staff. We also support multi-region food systems work across Greater Minnesota and provide energy programming through the Clean Energy Resource Teams.	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)

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Capacity Grants for Coastal Management	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Minnesota's Lake Superior Coastal Program at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is offering small, short-term capacity grants to eligible partners to improve or manage coastal resources and development. There are four capacity grant options: Conference and Training Support, Climate Action, Technology Upgrades, Youth Education	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.	10% match required Climate Action Maximum \$4,500 Conference support maximum \$4,500 Youth education maximum \$2,500 Technology upgrades maximum \$4,500	Applications are due at least 30 days in advance of the conference.	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%20owner%20eligible%20costs%20of%20a%20project	Terry Meiler Resource Conservationist 952-466-5330 tmeiler@co.carver.mn.us
Great Lakes Protection Fund- A Call for People, Ideas, and Projects	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	Great Lakes Protection Fund	Non-Federal	Projects must deliver ecosystem improvements in the Great Lakes that are real and regionally significant. - Real improvements are measurable positive changes to significant physical, chemical, or biological impairments in the Great Lakes ecosystem. - Regionally significant improvements show increasing system-wide outcomes and potential for impact at the scale of the ecosystem.	This includes for-profit businesses, non-profit organizations, universities, governmental agencies, and individuals. Your team doesn't need to be located within the Great Lakes region, but your project must have a positive impact on the region's ecosystem.	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/	847-425-8150 or startaconversation@glpf.org
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 \$15,000.	Applications accepted all year.	2022 GAP Financing Program (mnbrownfields.org)	Heidi Timm Bijold 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 landscapes (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 (capitolregiondwd.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	\$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%2024%20000%20of%20cost%20to%20preserve%20or%20restore%20natural%20resources	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Clean Water Partnership Loan Program	Water Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The Clean Water Partnership (CWP) program offers low-interest loans to local units of government for implementing nonpoint-source best management practices and other activities that target the restoration and protection of water resources such as lakes, streams, or groundwater aquifers. Funds can be used for any non-point BMPs, including wellhead protection, inflow and infiltration (residential laterals), green infrastructure, SSTS upgrade/replacements, wetland or stream restorations, and many more!	To be eligible, projects must address a nonpoint-source pollution issue. Projects under enforcement action, permitted wastewater treatment plants, and projects addressing feedlot NPDES or stormwater permit requirements are not eligible.	About \$3.5 million in loans will be available. The maximum loan award is \$750,000 with the potential to increase by \$500,000. Interest rate 1.5% No matching funds are required.	Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis; funding will be approved based on available loan funds.	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/grants-and-loans/clean-water-partnership-loans	Christopher Lundeen 218-316-3873 CWP.Loan.PCA@state.mn.us
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
Special Opportunity Grant Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	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 in rural towns of 10,000 or less -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: rain gardens, 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 are typically accepted on a rolling basis from late winter/early spring through October or until funds are committed. 2024 application season opens March 1.	http://www.rpbcd.org/grants	Elanor Mahon, Grant coordinator emahon@rpbcd.org



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Citizen Conservation Stewards	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	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://dakotawcd.org/services/incentives/	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Brownfield assessment grants	Brownfields	MN	MPCA	Federal	The MPCA has grant money available from the U.S. EPA to fund environmental assessments of brownfield properties, to support redevelopment and reuse. The work is performed by MPCA contractors at no cost to the grant recipients. The grant can be used for: - Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments - Sampling and analysis plans/work plans - Hazardous materials building surveys to identify lead paint and asbestos - Preparation of response action plans - Community engagement for reuse planning - MPCA Brownfield Program fees	Eligible sites in Minnesota can be publicly or privately owned with known or suspected contamination. Applicants cannot be a responsible party for the contamination. Applicants include but aren't limited to: community organizations, nonprofit organizations, local units of government, emerging developers, and tribal entities	Approximately \$90,000 per year available. Typical grants range from \$10,000-50,000 but there is no limit.	Applications are accepted on a rolling basis	Brownfield assessment grants Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (state.mn.us)	651-757-2904 brownfieldgrants.MPCA@state.mn.us
Environmental assistance loans	Water Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	Financial assistance to accelerate the application and/or improvement of environmental processes and technologies in Minnesota by providing assistance for the capital costs (machinery and equipment) of eligible projects. Priority eligible projects include green chemistry, pollution prevention, source reduction, recycling, and source-separated compostable materials.	Priority-eligible applicants are Minnesota-based, small- to medium-sized businesses and political subdivisions of Minnesota.	Participatory loans provide for awards up to a maximum loan of \$250,000 at zero percent interest. Direct loans are limited to businesses/entities and provide for awards up to a maximum loan of \$50,000 at four percent interest or half the prime rate, whichever is greater.	The model is based on a revolving funding mode, where additional funding is made available as past recipients repay their loans.	Environmental assistance loans Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (state.mn.us)	Jeannie Given 651-757-2459 Jeannie.Given@state.mn.us
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://bwsr.state.mn.us/mn-crep-landowners	Dusty Van Thuyne dusty.vanthuyne@state.mn.us 651-508-0000
Federal Clean Water Act Section 319 Grants (TMDL or WRAPS implementation projects)	Water Quality	MN	MPCA (Federal funds)	Federal	The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA's) Section 319 grant program is seeking applications for projects to implement best management practices (BMPs) that will reduce nonpoint source pollution (NPS) in Minnesota's lakes, rivers, and streams. Eligible projects must be in an identified critical area of the watershed and have an EPA-approved total maximum daily load (TMDL) for the waterbody. The projects must have an EPA-approved TMDL by Friday, March 2, 2018.	Public and private entities are eligible. To be considered for Section 319 funding, the project sponsor (the entity responsible for the project and its overall success), must have a Federal Identification Number. Eligible projects must implement best management practices (BMPs) that will reduce nonpoint source pollution (NPS) in Minnesota's lakes, rivers, and streams. Eligible projects must be in an identified critical area of the watershed and have an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-approved total maximum daily load (TMDL) on that waterbody, which must be approved by the close of the application period, Friday, March 2, 2018	\$2.8 million is expected to be available. There is no maximum grant amount; \$50,000 minimum grant amount. 40% match required.	Applications accepted all year. Semi-annual reporting is due on February 1 (for the period July 1 through Dec. 31) and August 1 (for the period Jan. 1 through June 30).	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/clean-water-partnership-and-section-319-programs	Miranda Nichols 651-757-2614 miranda.nichols@state.mn.us
Small business environmental improvement loans	Environmental & Education	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	Loans at zero-percent interest to small businesses for capital equipment purchases that help the company meet or exceed environmental regulations, and covering costs associated with the investigation and cleanup of contaminated sites.	Qualified borrowers must be an existing small business corporation, sole proprietorship, partnership, or association with: Less than 100 full-time employees An after-tax profit of less than \$500,000 A demonstrated ability to repay the loan	Loan amount between \$1,000 and \$75,000 Interest rate: 0% Repayment term up to 7 years	All year	Small business environmental improvement loans Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (state.mn.us)	smallbizfunding.pca@state.mn.us
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Water Quality Planning Grants	Water Quality	MN	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD)	Non-Federal	CRWD's Planning Grants provide financial assistance for feasibility and design of cost-effective and/or innovative clean water projects that protect and improve the water quality of waterbodies within CRWD. Eligible projects may include: - Feasibility studies that identify, evaluate, and prioritize opportunities to reduce stormwater pollution or otherwise benefit our water resources. - Professional design of cost-effective or innovative stormwater projects. - Projects must be located within CRWD and must include identification of public educational opportunities.	Any resident, non-profit, school, business, or public agency within CRWD's boundaries is encouraged to apply.	Typical grant award: \$10,000 - \$20,000 Matching depends on category: - Residential: no match requirement - Public agencies and non-profits: 5% match - Businesses: 25% match	All year	http://www.capitolregionwd.org/our-work/grants/special-grants/	Chris Kucek ckucek@capitolregionwd.org (651) 644-8888 ext. 112
Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA)	Water/Wastewater	All States	EPA	Federal	Federal credit program for water and wastewater projects. Eligible projects include: - Projects that are eligible for the Clean Water SRF, notwithstanding the public ownership clause - Projects that are eligible for the Drinking Water SRF - Enhanced energy efficiency projects at drinking water and wastewater facilities - Brackish or seawater desalination, aquifer recharge, alternative water supply, and water recycling projects - Drought prevention, reduction, or mitigation projects - Acquisition of property if it is integral to the project or will mitigate the environmental impact of a project - A combination of projects secured by a common security pledge or submitted under one application by an SRF program	Local, state, tribal, and federal government entities Partnerships and joint ventures Corporations and trusts Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) programs	\$20 million: Minimum project size for large communities. \$5 million: Minimum project size for small communities (population of 25,000 or less). 49 percent: Maximum portion of eligible project costs that WIFIA can fund. Total federal assistance may not exceed 80 percent of a project's eligible costs.	All year	What is WIFIA? US EPA	wifia@epa.gov
Economic Development Administration Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs	Public Works	All States	Economic Development Administration	Federal	These grants are designed to support the economic development activities most useful to a community based on its needs and circumstances. EDA funds community or regionally generated ideas and assists communities to advance to the next level of economic development. EDA supports bottom-up strategies that build on regional assets to spur economic growth and resiliency. EDA encourages its grantees throughout the country to develop initiatives that present new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities.	City or township governments, County governments, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), State governments, Private institutions of higher education, Special district governments, Nonprofits having 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	Awards range from \$100,000 to \$30,000,000	All year	View Opportunity GRANTS.GOV	http://www.eda.gov/contact/
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Clean Water Project Maintenance Grants	Water Quality	MN	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD)	Non-Federal	Capitol Region Watershed District's (CRWD) Clean Water Project Grants (formerly Stewardship Grants) provide technical and financial assistance to build clean water projects that prevent stormwater pollution from entering our lakes and the Mississippi River. Clean water projects include rain gardens, water harvesting and reuse systems, shoreline restorations, permeable pavement, and green roofs.	Programs must occur within CRWD's boundaries to be eligible for funding. Residents, non-profits, schools, businesses, and public agencies within the District.	50% of annual maintenance costs, up to \$2,000/year. If the clean water project is in the Focus Area, CRWD will cover 75% of project costs, up to \$2,000/year for the life of the project Minimum award: \$200	All year	Clean Water Project Maintenance Grants - CRWD (capitolregionwd.org)	Alexandra Morrison Stormwater BMP Technician Email: amorrison@capitolregionwd.org Phone: (651) 644-8888 Ext. 108
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Native Landscape Grants	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD)	Non-Federal	Native Landscape Grants provide technical and financial assistance to build native landscape projects. These projects foster the expansion of native plant communities, provide pollinator habitat, and prevent stormwater pollution from entering our lakes and the Mississippi River.	Programs must occur within CRWD's boundaries to be eligible for funding. Residents, non-profits, schools, businesses, and public agencies within the District.	Maximum: \$1,000 No match requirement	All year	Native Landscape Grants - CRWD (capitolregionwd.org)	Alexandra Morrison Stormwater BMP Technician Email: amorrison@capitolregionwd.org Phone: (651) 644-8888 Ext. 108
Forest Stewardship Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	The DNR received legislative funding to cover costs for woodland owners to replace seedlings killed by drought. Seeded or planted seedlings killed by drought are eligible. Eligible activities include: Preparing a site for planting Purchasing seedlings Planting seedlings Controlling vegetative competition Protecting seedlings from animal browse Releasing seedlings from competing vegetation	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.	Up to \$10,000	Funding is available through June 30, 2027	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

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Shoreland and Aquatic Habitat Block Grant Program	Water Quality	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Program to conduct shoreline and watershed enhancement projects with native plants, with the goal of improving aquatic habitat and water quality for fish and wildlife. The Department of Natural Resources - Division of Fisheries and Wildlife Aquatic Habitat Program is currently requesting proposals for projects related to aquatic habitat improvement and restoration that will take place in Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025.	Counties, cities, watershed districts, other local units of government, conservation groups and lake associations	No match required	All year	https://bwsr.state.mn.us/grant-profile-dnr-shoreland	John Hiebert, Shoreland Habitat Coordinator Minnesota DNR (651) 259-5212 john.hiebert@dnr.state.mn.us