

Grant Program	Category	Metro/ Statewide MN	State	Sponsor Agency/ Org	Federal/ Non-Federal	General Info	Eligibility	Level of Assistance	Application Submittal Deadline w/ Comments	Link to Website	Contact Information
Short Term Action Request Grants (STAR)	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Your project must be conducted in Minnesota's coastal area, be action-oriented, and align with one of the following categories and goals: -Coastal Habitat: Protect the coastal areas' natural resources and habitats including wetlands, forests, beaches and fish -Coastal Hazards: Protect lives and property in the coastal area by minimizing risk to hazards such as storms, flooding and erosion -Water Quality: Safeguard and restore water quality in Lake Superior and area streams -Coastal Community Development: Help communities manage development or preserve the historic, cultural and aesthetic features of Lake Superior and its coast -Coordination and Public Involvement: Collect, analyze, synthesize and share information and research results that will lead to better land and water use decisions in the coastal area or engage the public in critical government decisions	Cities, townships and counties within the coastal area; area-wide agencies; regional planning agencies; state agencies; non-profit organizations; colleges and universities; public school districts in the coastal area; conservation districts; port authorities; tribal governments; joint powers boards; sanitary sewer districts.	The minimum grant is \$4,501 and the maximum is \$10,000. 20% match requirement. Small grants opportunity (\$1,000 tp \$4,500); need to match 10% of grant request with non-federal dollars; projects must be consistent with objectives of Coastal Zone Management Act. Coastal Program will review requests a staff meetings. Applications all year for small grants.	July 7, 2026 October 1, 2026 January 5, 2027	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/lakesuperior/grants.html	Cynthia Poyhonen, Grants Specialist (218) 834-1447 or Cynthia.poyhonen@state.mn.us
Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)	Water Quantity		All States	FEMA	Federal	The Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program is one of the grant programs that constitute DHS/FEMA's focus on all-hazards emergency preparedness, including the evolving threats and risks associated with natural disasters. EMPG Program funding is awarded to the 56 states and territories using a population-based allocation methodology. The main purpose of the program is to support the emergency management needs of state, local, tribal, and territorial governments, primarily through investments in planning, training, and exercise activities and to help cover the salaries of emergency management personnel.	State governments	A total of \$319.5 million in funding is available for all regions. Cost share of no less than 50% of total project cost.	July 15, 2026	https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/emergency-management-performance	FEMA GO Help Desk 1-877-585-3243 femago@fema.dhs.gov
National Culvert Removal, Replacement and Restoration Grant Program (Culvert Aquatic Organism Passage (Culvert AOP) Program)	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		All States	Department of Transportation	Federal	The primary objective of the Culvert AOP Program is to meaningfully improve or restore anadromous fish passage through the replacement, removal, or repair of culverts or weirs, which may include infrastructure to facilitate fish passage around or over the weir and weir improvements.	(1) States; (2) units of local government; and (3) Indian Tribes	Total available funding is \$196,000,000.	July 16, 2026	https://www.transportation.gov/rural/grant-toolkit/national-culvert-removal-replacement-and-restoration-culvert-aquatic-organism	Gregory Danis culvertaop@dot.gov
Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		Great Lakes Basin States	USFWS	Federal	The Service requests interested entities to submit restoration, research and Regional project proposals for the restoration of Great Lakes fish and wildlife resources. The purpose of the Act is to provide assistance to States, Indian Tribes, and other interested entities to encourage cooperative conservation, restoration and management of the fish and wildlife resources and their habitats in the Great Lakes Basin. Project goals include: -restoring and maintaining self-sustaining fish and wildlife resources, -minimizing the impacts of contaminants on fishery and wildlife resources, -protecting, maintaining, and where degraded and destroyed, restoring habitat including the enhancement and creation of wetlands that result in a net gain in the amount of those habitats, -stopping illegal activities adversely impacting fishery and wildlife resources, -restoring threatened and endangered species to viable, self-sustaining levels, -protecting, managing and conserving migratory birds.	Eligible applicants include private institutions of higher education, Individuals, Small businesses, Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments), Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), City or township governments, County governments, Special district governments, Independent school districts, 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, State governments	Approximately \$ 1,640,000 in funds will be available. 25% non-federal match required. Max: \$500,000 Min: \$2,000	Pre-proposals due August 3, 2026; Full proposals due October 13, 2026 (tentative)	https://simpler.grants.gov/opportunity/13dc5e62-2b5b-45ae-a082-7593017ef41b	Mr. Rick Westerhof U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Email: Rick_Westerhof@fws.gov Phone: 231-584-3553
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Partner Grants	Water Quality	Metro	MN	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD)	Non-Federal	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Partner Grants support programs and projects led by public, private and non-profit organizations that increase clean water knowledge and actions. Project proposals must incorporate key themes outlined in CRWD's 10-Year Watershed Management Plan and serve residents within our geographic boundaries to be considered for funding.	Programs must occur within CRWD's boundaries to be eligible for funding. Public, private, or non-profit organizations may apply.	CRWD will fund up to 10 proposals. Grantees can apply for \$10,000 – \$40,000.	The next request for Partner Grant proposals will open in fall 2026.	https://www.capitolregionwd.org/grants/partner-grants/	Lindsay Schwantes lschwantes@capitolregionwd.org 651-644-8888 ext. 105
Great Lakes Fish Habitat Restoration Partnership Grants	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		Great Lakes Basin States	NOAA Department of Commerce	Federal	Through this funding opportunity, NOAA aims to support habitat restoration projects that will lead to significant and sustainable benefits for Great Lakes native fish species. Projects selected through this funding opportunity will help sustain the multiple benefits the Great Lakes by: - Supporting valuable fisheries and coastal resources - Improving the quality of our water by restoring coastal wetlands - Providing recreational opportunities for the public's use and enjoyment - Increasing the resilience of Great Lakes communities	Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education, non-profit organizations, commercial (for profit) organizations, U.S. territories, and state, local and Native American tribal governments. Eligible applicants may be located anywhere but must propose work within the Great Lakes basin and within one of the eight U.S. Great Lakes states (New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota).	Max: \$30 million Min: \$250,000	September 4, 2026	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/356231	Rina Studds, rina.studds@noaa.gov, 301-427-8651 Julie Simmons, julie.simmons@noaa.gov, 734-680-5671
Fishers and Farmers Partnership for the Upper Mississippi River Basin	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		Upper Mississippi River Basin (MN, IA, WI, IL)	National Fish Habitat Partnership	Non-Federal	Fishers & Farmers Partnership awards National Fish Habitat Partnership funding to locally-led projects in upper Mississippi River Basin watersheds each year to improve farms and fish habitat. Funded projects improve farms and fish habitat; address a root cause of watershed problems; support landowner engagement, communications, monitoring, science, or construction; and align with our Strategic Plan. Funding this year focuses on stream and farm projects.	Applicants can be federal, state, county, and non-government organizations in either natural resources or agriculture with the ultimate goal of adding value to farms while restoring aquatic habitat and native fish populations.	Approximately \$200-\$300K, split among 4-7 successful projects. Funding request minimum of \$15,000 and maximum of \$100,000. 1:1 match required, but 3:1 preferred. Cost sharing may be in-kind services.	September 10, 2026	https://fishersandfarmers.org/funding/	Heidi Keuler US Fish and Wildlife Service 555 Lester Avenue Onalaska, WI 54650 608-783-8417
Healing Our Waters - Federal Project Support	Water Quality		Great Lakes Basin States	Freshwater Future	Federal	The Healing Our Waters-Great Lakes Coalition, formed in 2005, reflects a growing public awareness about the urgent need to protect the Great Lakes. The Coalition seeks to secure a sustainable restoration plan and the billions of dollars of state and federal funding needed to implement it. The coalition seeks to clean up sewage and toxic sediments, to restore damaged habitat, to protect high quality habitat, and to control and prevent the introduction of invasive species, each of which is an essential component of restoring the health of the Great Lakes ecosystem.	Any community based initiative working to restore aquatic habitats, who have received, or will be applying for, funding under the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) RFP or other federal funding sources. Any group acting as an effective stakeholder with project decision makers for federally funded restoration activities in their community. Must be located in the Great Lakes Basin Applicant must be a 501(c)(3) organization or have a sponsoring 501(c)(3) organization.	Awards up to \$15,000, priority in Lake Michigan Watershed	Spring 2026 March 31, 2026 Fall 2026 September 30, 2026	https://freshwaterfuture.org/grant-programs/	Becca Nelson Grants and Data Specialist Freshwater Future 231-348-8200 grants@freshwaterfuture.org
Insight Services Grant Program	Water Quality		All States	Freshwater Future	Non-Federal	The Insight Services Grants: Growing Success program provides grant awards ranging from \$500 to \$3000 (USD) to be used for assistance from Freshwater Future to build capacity of grassroots organizations, which could include training, board development, membership expansion, fundraising, and strategic planning. Grant funds will be used for Freshwater Future staff time to provide professional assistance to your project or organization, no monetary award will be made to your organization.	Grassroots organizations.	\$500-\$3,000. 25% match required	Spring 2026 March 31, 2026 Fall 2026 September 30, 2026	https://freshwaterfuture.org/grant-programs/	Becca Turner becca@freshwaterfuture.org

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Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	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. Eligible organizations include county governments, independent school districts, state governmnets, nonprofits, institutions of higher education, Native American tribal organizations and governments, small businesses, city or township governments, public housing authorities, individuals, special district governments	Estimated Total Program Funding: \$15,000,000 Award ceiling: \$750,000 Awar Floor: \$1	September 30, 2026	https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/358381	Andreas Moshogianis 571-305-3817 andreas_moshogianis@fws.gov
Environmental Initiative Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		CO, HI, MN, TX, WV, NY	Laura Jane Musser Fund	Non-Federal	The Fund's goal is to promote public use of open space that improves a community's quality of life and public health, while also ensuring the protection of healthy, viable and sustainable ecosystems by protecting or restoring habitat for a diversity of plant and animal species.	Who can apply: Nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, local units of government within the following states: CO, HI, MN, TX, WV, NY, NC.	The Musser Fund is likely to make a total of 5 to 7 grants in the Environmental Initiative this year. This is a very competitive granting initiative. Planning: Up to \$8,000 Implementation: Up to \$35,000	The online application will be available September 8 – October 8, 2026.	Environmental Initiative Program – Laura Jane Musser Fund	Mary Karen Lynn-Kimenko Grants Program Manager THE LAURA JANE MUSSER FUND admin@musserfund.org 612-825-2024
Bush Foundation Ecosystem Grants	Environmental & Education		MN, ND, SD	Bush Foundation	Non-Federal	The Bush Foundation works to inspire and support creative problem solving — within and across sectors — to make our region better for everyone. We know problem solving is hard. Our Ecosystem grant program provides operating support to the organizations that support the people doing this work.	Grants must be used for a charitable purpose that supports people and organizations in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota or the 23 Native nations that share the same geography. Ecosystem grants may be awarded to 501(c)(3) public charities or government entities. Coalitions or collaborative efforts are eligible to apply, but only one organization may receive the grant.	Organizations may apply to receive as much as \$450,000 over three years in operating support. The annual grant amount is typically 25% of the organization's expenses, up to \$150,000 per year. All Ecosystem grantees receive an additional \$10,000 in capacity building funds to build or increase their skills to work across differences.	Ecosystem grant applications open every three years with the next opening in 2027.	https://www.bushfoundation.org/funding-for-your-organization/	staff@bushfoundation.org 651-379-2249
Multipurpose Drainage Management (MDM) Competitive Grants Program	Water Quality	Statewide	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.	Counties, Joint Powers Board, Soil Water Conservation Districts and Watershed Districts	Funding for this application period is \$900,000. 10% match required	Rolling through May 27, 2027. Quarterly: May 29, 2026 August 31, 2026 November 30, 2026 February 25, 2027 May 27, 2027	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Applicants may contact their Board Conservationist with additional questions if they need assistance when submitting an application. https://bwsr.state.mn.us/work-area-maps
SolarAPP+ Solar-Permitting Software Incentive for Local Units of Government	Renewable Energy		MN	MN Department of Commerce	Non-Federal	The Minnesota Department of Commerce Division of Energy Resources is now accepting applications from qualified local units of government throughout Minnesota for the SolarAPP+ Solar Permitting Software Incentive, valued up to \$20,000. The purpose of this program is to provide technical assistance and financial incentives to local units of government that issue permits for residential solar projects and solar plus energy storage systems by incentivizing a permitting authority to adopt the SolarAPP+ software to standardize, automate, and streamline the review and permitting process.	Local units of government that issue permits for residential solar projects and solar plus energy storage systems	Up to \$20,000 value	June 30, 2028, or until fully expended	https://mn.gov/commerce/business/rfp.jsp	651-539-1500
Performance Review and Assistance Program	Water Quality	Statewide	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	Applications submitted monthly on an ongoing basis as funding is available.	https://bwsr.state.mn.us/prag-grants	Don Bajumpaa, Don.Bajumpaa@state.mn.us 651-600-8390
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Native Landscape Grants	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Metro	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)	Matthew Lundberg Projects & Grants Specialist Email: mlundberg@capitolregionwd.org Phone: (651) 644-8888 Ext. 114
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Clean Water Project Grants	Water Quality	Metro	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
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Clean Water Project Maintenance Grants	Water Quality	Metro	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)	Matthew Lundberg Projects & Grants Specialist Email: mlundberg@capitolregionwd.org Phone: (651) 644-8888 Ext. 114
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Water Quality Planning Grants	Water Quality	Metro	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 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

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Carver County Cost-Share Program	Water Quality	Metro	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 COWMO 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.carverswcd.org/programs-services/financial-assistance/cost-share-programs/state-cost-share/	Terry Meiller Resource Conservationist 952-466-5230 tmeiller@co.carver.mn.us
Citizen Conservation Stewards	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Metro	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
Conservation Initiative Funding Program	Water Quality	Metro	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%20Stewards&hp%20Program%20(CCS)&text=Up%20to%20%245%2C000%20of%20cost%20preserve%20or%20restore%20natural%20resources	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
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	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/346815	http://www.eda.gov/contact/
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	Loan Program \$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	wifa@epa.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
Great Lakes Protection Fund- A Call for People, Ideas, and Projects	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	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
Hennepin County Environmental Response Fund	Brownfields	Metro	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 distributed every grant round. Awards vary depending on the project, the amount of available grant funding and the list of applications received. No funding match is required.	All year	https://www.hennepin.us/business/property/brownfields	brownfields@hennepin.us Lance Robrette 612-543-4855 Mike Torres 612-695-1841 Michael Zazzer 612-916-8650
Brownfield Gap Financing Program	Brownfields	Metro	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 \$25,000.	Applications accepted all year.	2022 GAP Financing Program (mnbrownfields.org)	Heidi Timm Bjold grants@mnbrownfields.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
State Competitiveness Fund Match Program	Environmental & Education		MN	MN Department of Commerce	Non-Federal	The Minnesota Department of Commerce will be implementing a cost-share match program in support of eligible entities applying for eligible federal funding opportunities. This legislatively created program is intended to increase the competitiveness of Minnesota in securing federal funding. Awards from federal programs are critically important to ensuring the state's economy is strong and growing. Increasing competitiveness can be accomplished by improving productivity, improving competition, and improving investments. Projects selected for SCF Matching Funds must demonstrate that the project will help meet the state's clean energy and energy-related climate goals through renewable energy development, energy conservation, efficiency, or energy-related greenhouse gas reduction benefits.	An entity located in Minnesota that is eligible to receive federal funds, or an entity that has at least one Minnesota-based partner, as determined by the grantor of the federal funds.	\$100,000,000 available. No single entity may receive grants totaling more than \$15,000,000. At least \$75,000,000 of the fund must be allocated for grant awards of less than \$1,000,000.	Please note that for this round, applications are accepted on a rolling basis until funds are fully reserved.	https://mn.gov/commerce/business/rfp.jsp	651-296-2600
Forest Stewardship Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	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
Shoreland and Aquatic Habitat Block Grant Program	Water Quality	Statewide	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	DNR Shoreland program questions should be addressed to Kathleen Metzger at the DNR at kathleen.metzger@state.mn.us

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Flood Hazard Mitigation Grants	Water Quantity	Statewide	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	Local units of government – including cities, counties, townships, watershed districts, watershed management organizations, and lake improvement districts. Grants are not available to individuals or businesses.	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.	The application window is always open.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/water/flood_hazard.html	Matthew Bauman, Flood Hazard Mitigation Program Manager DNR Division of Waters (651) 259-5691 E-Mail: matthew.bauman@state.mn.us
Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Drinking Water	Water Quality	Statewide	MN	MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA)	Non-Federal	The Clean Water State Revolving Fund, is established under the Federal Clean Water Act and state law to make loans to for point source (wastewater and stormwater) and nonpoint source water pollution control projects. The Public Facilities Authority (PFA) prepares an annual Intended Use Plan (IUP) based on a Project Priority List (PPL) developed by the MPCA. The IUP describes the projects and activities eligible for funding during the state fiscal year. The Minnesota Department of Health is soliciting requests to place new projects on the Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRf) Project Priority List (PPL). Projects must be on the list to be eligible for below market rate DWRf loans to improve public drinking water systems. Typical projects include watermain, wells, water treatment plants and water towers. Funding is not for expansion of water systems to serve future growth or for fire suppression infrastructure.	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	MN PFA@state.mn.us 651-259-7469
Environmental assistance loans	Water Quality	Statewide	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 \$600,000 at zero percent interest. Participatory loan funds must be matched by a minimum dollar-for-dollar match by loans from a participating financial institution. Direct loans provide for awards up to a maximum loan of \$100,000 at zero percent interest. Direct loans must be matched by a minimum one dollar from the applicant for every four dollars received (25% match). Start-up businesses are eligible for direct loans on a case-by-case basis.	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 Grants-Loans.pca@state.mn.us
Brownfield assessment grants	Brownfields	Statewide	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
Small business environmental improvement loans	Environmental & Education	Statewide	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
Clean Water Partnership Loan Program	Water Quality	Statewide	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
Federal Clean Water Act Section 319 Grants (TMDL or WRAPS implementation projects)	Water Quality	Statewide	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
RPBCWD Grants	Water Quality	Metro	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) Municipality, school, business: \$50,000 (up to 75% of project cost) Action Grant: Up to \$250 Educator Grant: \$50 to \$400	Stewardship grants: due October 31, 2026. Action grants and educator grants accepted all year	http://www.rpbcd.org/grants	Elanor Mahon, Grant coordinator emahon@rpbcd.org
Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	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)
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

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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
Minnesota Energy Efficiency Programs	Renewable Energy		MN	Various	Non-Federal	The state offers many programs, residential and commercial incentives to support the development of renewable energy through different aspects. Both public and investor-owned utilities provide rebate programs, grant programs, and other financial incentives for renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies.	Utilities	Various	All year	https://programs.deireusa.org/system/program/mn	
Minnesota Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (MN CREP) Outreach and Implementation Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	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.	Contact local SWCD.	https://bwsr.state.mn.us/mn-crep-landowners	Dusty Van Thuyne dusty.vanthuyne@state.mn.us 651-508-0000
BWSR Cooperative Weed Management Areas (CWMAs)	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	Cooperative Weed Management Areas are partnerships of federal, state and local government agencies along with tribes, individual landowners and various other interested groups that manage noxious weeds or invasive plants in a defined area. The program goals include: -Develop and sustain strong partnerships between landowners, government units and other interested partners to manage invasive species across geographic boundaries. -Control emerging weed threats and manage invasive species that threaten natural areas and conservation lands. -Facilitate the removal of invasive plant species through an integrated pest management approach, and the restoration/reconstruction of native plant communities through an ecosystem approach that may include replanting management areas with native vegetation.	SWCDs are the only eligible applicants. Other organizations may consider applying in partnership with SWCDs to help develop and run the Cooperative Weed Management Area project. Newly developing and existing CWMAs are eligible for this RFP.	\$200,000 available, combined. \$20,000 can be requested by newly establishing CWMAs or groups where more than one county are combined as part of existing CWMAs. \$15,000 can be requested by other existing groups. A minimum non-state match equal to at least 25% is required.	Contact	https://bwsr.state.mn.us/cooperative-weed-management-area-program	Questions regarding grant applications should be directed to your area Board Conservationist or Clean Water Specialist; contact information is available at www.bwsr.state.mn.us/contact/index.html . Or contact the Program Manager, Dan Shaw, (651) 296-0644, dan.shaw@state.mn.us
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	Water Quantity		All States	FEMA	Federal	FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program provides funding to state, local, tribal and territorial governments so they can develop hazard mitigation plans and rebuild in a way that reduces, or mitigates, future disaster losses in their communities. This grant funding is available after a presidentially declared disaster. In this program, homeowners and businesses cannot apply for a grant. However, a local community may apply for funding on their behalf. All state, local, tribal and territorial governments must develop and adopt hazard mitigation plans to receive funding for hazard mitigation project application.	Currently, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) has funding available to qualified communities interested in mitigating future damage from natural hazards and helping residents stay safe during severe weather. Eligible applicants include: •State and local governments •Certain private non-profit organizations and institutions •Native American tribes and authorized tribal organizations	Up to 15% of the first \$2 billion Up to 10% for amounts between \$2 billion and \$10 billion Up to 7.5% for amounts between \$10 billion and \$35.333 billion States with enhanced mitigation plans: Up to 20%, not to exceed \$35.333 billion.	Contact	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) FEMA.gov	Prospective subapplicants should contact their state, tribe or territory (applicant level) Hazard Mitigation Office for questions about the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/state-local-territorial-governments/state-contacts
Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP)	Water Quantity		All states	FEMA	Federal	The CTP supports Risk MAP in developing flood hazard data and maps for communities that have never had identified risks, building on effective flood hazard data and flood insurance rate maps (FIRMS), and increasing public awareness of flood risk and potential mitigation options to reduce that risk and better inform planning.	Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Private institutions of higher education, Special district governments, State governments, City or township governments, County governments	No award maximum or minimum. \$93,000,000 available for an estimated 130 projects	To become a Cooperating Technical Partner, contact your FEMA Regional Office and express interest in the program.	https://www.fema.gov/flood-maps/cooperating-technical-partners	https://www.fema.gov/flood-maps/cooperating-technical-partners/about/contacts
State Cost Share Program	Water Quality	Metro	MN	Minnesota Soil & Water Conservation Districts	Non-Federal	Program assists landowners financially with the installation of soil and water conservation practices.	Contact SWCD within the Twin Cities metro area.	Cost share ranges from 50% to 75% based on water quality impacts.	Contact local SWCD.	http://www.mnswcd.org/SWCDs/On_The_Web/swcds_on_the_web.htm	Contact local SWCD.
Invasive Species Grant Program-Public Awareness Projects	Water Quality		MN	MN DNR		Program to help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species, especially zebra mussels and spiny water fleas, into Minnesota waters. Grants are provided to help local entities implement locally focused prevention efforts and to dove-tail those efforts with other ongoing statewide aquatic invasive species prevention efforts.	Eligible applicants include lake associations, coalitions of lake associations (COLAs), local citizen groups, and local units of government (e.g., conservation districts, lake improvement districts, watershed districts, and counties). Multi-agency collaboration is allowed but not required.	Approximately \$70,000 available in program. \$7,500 maximum proposal limit.	Contact	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/aquatic_invasive/eq_inv_prevention_public_awareness.html	angelique.dahlberg@state.mn.us 651-259-5164
Dam Safety Grants	Water Quantity	Statewide	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Intent is to improve the safety and condition of publicly owned dams and water level control structures. Eligible projects include dam reconstruction, repair, and removal.	Cities, counties, townships, watershed districts	Reimbursement of costs, up to 50% for repairs, up to 100% for removals. Grants have ranged from \$25,000 to \$1,000,000	Before filling out the application, contact your area hydrologist or Jason Boyle, State Dam Safety Engineer	https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/surfacewater_section/damsafety/grants.html	Jason Boyle, State Dam Safety Engineer DNR Division of Waters (651) 259-5715 E-mail: jason.boyle@dnr.state.mn.us
Watershed Pollutant Load Monitoring Network	Water Quality	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	MPCA provides grants to collect water quality data during events when runoff is high to gauge contaminant concentrations and loads from the watershed.	Soil and water conservation districts, watershed districts, regional planning organizations, watershed management organizations, local units of government, regional government groups, joint powers boards, Minnesota colleges and universities, nonprofit organizations and American Indian Tribal governments.	Contact MPCA for funding information	Contact MPCA for partnership information	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/watershed-pollutant-load-monitoring	Kelli Nerem, 507-476-4251 kelli.nerem@state.mn.us Eileen Campbell, 507-344-5244 eileen.campbell@state.mn.us
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=stelpdrb1047761	John Bullough Conservation Initiatives Coordinator john.bullough@usda.gov
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. Agricultural benefits, including rural communities, must be ≥ 20% of the total benefits for the project	\$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

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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	rcrp@usda.gov or state coordinator
Washington Conservation District Water Quality Cost-Share	Water Quality	Metro	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.mnwcdr.org/financial-assistance/	Contact SWCD.
Keep it Clean	Water Quality		MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	The Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) Keep it Clean Program works to protect Minnesota's lakes by preventing water pollution from garbage and human waste left on the ice of state waters during winter use activities.	Only Local Units of Government (LGUs) are eligible for funding for this program. Cities, Counties, Joint Powers Boards, MASWCD Technical Service Areas, Soil Water Conservationist Districts, Townships, Watershed Districts and Watershed Management Organizations.	A total of \$185,000 is available through this Request for Proposal. Grant requests must be between a minimum of \$10,000 and a maximum of \$40,000.	Quarterly: May 29, 2026 August 31, 2026 November 30, 2026 February 25, 2027 May 27, 2027	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	For questions regarding the grant program, email ara.gallo@state.mn.us with "Keep it Clean Program" in the subject line.
Community Partners	Water Quality	Statewide	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	Everyone is responsible for making sure Minnesota's waters are clean. These sub-grant funds leverage the interest of non-governmental partners such as faith organizations, lake and river associations, boy/girl scout troops, and other civic groups, to install on-the ground projects that reduce runoff and keep water on the land. Examples include: rain gardens and shoreline restorations.	SWCDs, Watershed Districts, WMOs, Counties, Cities2, and JPBs of these organizations	25% local match required ; \$1,400,000 available	No information for 2026	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Gwen Steel (651) 600-8390 gwen.steel@state.mn.us
Habitat Enhancement Landscape Pilot (HELP) Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	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
Soil Health Supplemental Staffing Grants	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	This competitive CWF Grant is to provide supplemental staffing capacity for implementation of soil health systems. The purpose of this phase of programing is to create additional local points of contact to work with landowners on increasing utilization of soil health practices and systems that advance the principles of soil health.	Eligible applicants include Soil and Water Conservation Districts.	\$25,000,000 of state funding for this grant program. No match required. Awarded positions may request up to \$10,000 (prorated per full FTE) for ONE TIME position startup costs	February 8, 2024	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Questions may also be submitted by email to cwfquestions@state.mn.us.
One Watershed, One Plan Planning Grants	Water Quality	Statewide	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
Technical Training Acceleration Grants	Environmental & Education		MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	The Technical Training and Certification Program can assist Area Technical Training Teams (ATTT) in organizing and delivering technical training for Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD), Technical Service Area (TSA), and Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) staff. The Technical Training Acceleration Grant is short-term pilot to accelerate delivery of locally identified training priorities. Funding priority is given to training topics that are identified as high need either at an area, or state-wide level, especially those topics which will lead to increased or enhanced Job Approval Authority (JAA) for local SWCD and NRCS staff.	Eligible applicants include TSAs or SWCDs with letters of support from the Area Technical Training Team. SWCDs or TSAs in each ATTT can submit only one single or joint request. However, multiple training topics can be included in the request.	Up to \$60,000 is available, with a \$10,000 maximum grant per Area per year.	No information for 2026	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Megan Lennon megan.lennon@state.mn.us 651-262-6044
Stream Restoration and Enhancement Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) has entered into a service agreement with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) to administer a grant program to provide stream restoration and/or enhancement projects. The following types of projects are eligible: in-stream restoration, streambank stabilization, riparian area buffer/restoration, floodplain function/restoration, riparian/floodplain wetland restoration.	Eligible applicants include watershed districts, watershed-based join power organizations, counties, soil and water conservation districts, and fomal partnerships of these organizations. Applicants must be working under a current state approved and locally adopted water management plan. Projects must be located in one or more of the following 8-digit HUC watersheds: Lower Red River of the North, Snake River (Red River Basin), Grand Marais Creek, Red Lake River, Clearwater River, Mississippi River Headwaters, Crow Wing River, Pine River, Leech Lake River, Mississippi River - Grand Rapids, St. Louis River	Up to \$3,400,000 is available. A minimum non-state match equal to at least 10% of the amount of funds requested/received.	No information for 2026	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Questions regarding requests should be directed to your area Board Conservationist.
Targeted Watershed Demonstration Program	Water Quality	Statewide	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	BWSR created the Targeted Watershed Demonstration Program and is seeking nominations for three to twelve project watersheds to participate. Eligible watersheds are those where the amount of change to achieve a water quality improvement is known, the types of actions required to achieve those results have been identified, and a significant amount of those actions can be implemented within a four-year timeframe. Priority will be given to watersheds where there are current water quality impairments or priority water resources near the tipping point of becoming impaired. Proposed watersheds should have the threat to the water resource clearly identified, a thorough understanding of the pollution sources and pathways within the watershed, and baseline water quality data against which change can be assessed.	Eligible applicants include Watershed Districts, Watershed Management Organizations, and Watershed-based Joint Power Organizations. Counties, Soil and Water Conservation Districts and formal partnerships of these organizations with a hydrologic watershed contained wholly within the partnership boundary are also eligible to apply. Applicants must be working under a current state approved and locally adopted water management plan.	\$8,750,000 (one request now for 2017-2018 funding cycle); 25% cash match required (in-kind services are considered a match)	No information for 2026	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	cwfquestions@state.mn.us or contact your local clean water specialist

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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
Cities Leading through Energy Analysis and Planning (Cities-LEAP)	Environmental & Education		All States	Department of Energy	Federal	This opportunity is specifically open to low-income, energy-burdened communities that are also experiencing either direct environmental justice impacts, or direct economic impacts from a shift away from historical reliance on fossil fuels. Under Communities LEAP, DOE matches selected communities with technical assistance providers who assist them with bringing their clean energy planning and economic development vision to life.	Multi-stakeholder teams in low-income, energy-burdened communities that are also either disadvantaged or experiencing direct impacts from the shift away from fossil fuels. See website to see if a community qualifies.	Up to \$50,000	December 14, 2024, 5 p.m. ET	https://www.energy.gov/communitiesLEAP/communities-leap	CommunitiesLEAPinfo@hq.doe.gov
Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams (HHPD)	Water Quantity		All States	Department of Homeland Security	Federal	The Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams (HHPD) Grant Program makes available federal funds to eligible states for pass through to non-Federal government organizations or nonprofit organizations for the rehabilitation of eligible high hazard potential dams that fail to meet minimum state dam safety standards and pose unacceptable risk to life and property. For the purposes of the HHPD Grant Program, rehabilitation means the repair, replacement, reconstruction, or removal of a dam that is carried out to meet applicable state dam safety and security standards.	State governments	Total available funding is \$185,000,000.	February 29, 2024	https://www.grants.gov/search-grants	FEMA GO Help Desk Phone: 1-877-585-3242 E-mail: femago@fema.dhs.gov
Get Out MORE	Environmental & Education	Statewide	MN	DNR	Non-Federal	The transformative Get Out MORE (Modernize Outdoor Recreation Experiences) investments, approved by the 2023 legislature and signed by Governor Tim Walz, will help ensure Minnesotans of all abilities and interests enjoy a world-class recreation system, whatever outdoor experience they choose with investment in five key areas: -Enhancing access and welcoming new users to public lands and outdoor recreation facilities -Modernizing camping and related infrastructure -Enhancing fisheries and fishing infrastructure -Modernizing boating access -Restoring streams and modernizing water-related infrastructure to support outdoor recreation	TBD	\$150,000 available	TBD	https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/aboutdnr/get-out-more/index.html#modernize	info.dnr@state.mn.us
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 (GLEJGPs) 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	May 6, 2024	https://www.gleji.us/funding	Cara Walsh GLRI-RFA@epa.gov
Safeguarding Tomorrow Revolving Loan Fund Program	Public Works		All States	FEMA	Federal	FEMA will provide grants to eligible applicants to award low-interest loans to communities to reduce their vulnerability to disasters, foster greater resilience and reduce disaster impacts. The program's capitalization grants provide low-interest loans to local governments most in need of financial assistance, including low-income geographic areas and underserved communities.	States, Federally recognized tribes, U.S. Territories and the District of Columbia	\$178 million available in 2025 Award minimum \$5.1 million 10% match requirement	September 30, 2025	Safeguarding Tomorrow Revolving Loan Fund Program FEMA.gov	FEMA GO Help Desk Phone: 1-877-585-3242 E-mail: femago@fema.dhs.gov
Advanced Assistance for HMGP Grant Program	Water Quantity		All States	FEMA	Federal	Advance Assistance (AA) is authorized by the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act, which allows advancing up to 25 percent of the HMGP ceiling or \$10 million to applicants and subapplicants, whichever is less. The purpose of AA is to provide states, Federally-recognized tribes, and territories with resources to develop mitigation strategies and obtain data to prioritize, select, and develop complete HMGP applications in a timely manner. FEMA expects applicants and subapplicants that receive AA to submit complete project applications up to or over the HMGP ceiling by the application deadline.	Currently, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) has funding available to qualified communities interested in mitigating future damage from natural hazards and helping residents stay safe during severe weather. Eligible applicants include: •State and local governments •Certain private non-profit organizations and institutions •Native American tribes and authorized tribal organizations	Provides up to 25% of the HMGP ceiling or \$10 million to applicants/subapplicants (whichever is less).	Open on Sept. 30, 2022, and close at 3 p.m. Eastern Time on Jan. 27, 2023.	https://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program-resources	Contact Senior Mitigation Planner in the Mitigation Division, Risk Analysis Branch of the appropriate FEMA Regional Office. https://www.fema.gov/fema-regional-contacts
Hazard Mitigation Funding (Section 406)	Water Quantity		All States	FEMA	Federal	Section 406 funding is a cost share program through the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide funding for hazard mitigation assistance. 406 mitigation is hazard specific and only applies to disaster applicants for PA. However, there is a separate state administered program, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program - Section 404, that applies to structural and non-structural measures and is not disaster specific. Examples of 406 mitigation include relocation, slope stabilization, protection from high winds, flood proofing of buildings, flood protection of bridges and culverts, protection of utilities.	Eligible applicants include: •State and local governments •Certain private non-profit organizations and institutions •Native American tribes and authorized tribal organizations	Mitigation measures may amount to up to 15% of the total eligible cost of the eligible repair work on a particular project. Funding is non-competitive	Open on Sept. 30, 2022, and close at 3 p.m. Eastern Time on Jan. 27, 2023.	https://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program-resources	Contact Senior Mitigation Planner in the Mitigation Division, Risk Analysis Branch of the appropriate FEMA Regional Office. https://www.fema.gov/fema-regional-contacts
Pre-Disaster Mitigation	Water Quantity		All States	FEMA	Federal	The Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Grant Program makes federal funds available to state, local, tribal, and territorial governments to plan for and implement sustainable cost-effective measures designed to reduce the risk to individuals and property from future natural hazards, while also reducing reliance on federal funding from future natural disasters. Incentivize investments that reduce risk and increase pre-disaster mitigation, including expanding the use of insurance to manage risk through funding mitigation projects, particularly ones that reduce risk to Community Lifelines and infrastructure. Partnerships, and project scoping efforts help improve awareness initiatives to encourage public action to increase preparedness, use lessons from past disasters and exercises to inform community investment decisions and anticipate challenges that may emerge during future disasters, and coordinate and guide continuity of operations activities through partnerships with government and non-government stakeholders.	State, local, and tribal governments	\$190 million available No maximum nor minimum	June 28, 2024, 5p.m. ET	https://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program	Systems and Business Support Branch 1-800-865-4076 GMD-Systems-Branch@fema.gov
Access to the Great Lakes Fishery	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		Great Lakes Basin States	Great Lakes Fishery Trust	Non-Federal	The goal of the Access to the Great Lakes Fishery grant program is to improve or create opportunities for shore-based access to fishing for Great Lakes species for use by tribal and/or recreational users. The GLFT funds projects that create or enhance shore-based access to fishing, which includes construction or improvement of boardwalks and fishing piers with adjacent amenities such as parking facilities and walkways. Applicants are encouraged to review the GLFT's Policy on Tribal and Recreational Fishing Access Grants prior to submitting a proposal. Additional requirements for proposals that only seek funding to support the development of engineering and design and/or feasibility studies, as well as those seeking funding to support development of fish cleaning stations, are provided in the policy.	Organizations that are eligible to apply for GLFT grants include nonprofit organizations with a 501(c)(3) designation from the IRS (or nongovernmental organizations that hold charitable status in their country), as well as educational and governmental (including tribal) organizations.	This RFP process will be used for the disbursement of up to \$750,000 in grants in 2024	August 16, 2024, 4:05 pm	https://glft.org/opportunities	Please contact Meagan O'Brien at 517-371-7468 or mobrien@glft.org to discuss a proposal.

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Aquatic Conservation Projects	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		All States	Great Plains Fish Habitat Partnership	Non-Federal	Projects considered for funding must align with the goals and objectives of the GPFHP and may include watershed, riparian or in-stream habitat restoration, barrier removal or construction, population or watershed assessments needed for project evaluation, prioritization and planning, evaluating stream flows or lake water levels, and community outreach and education.	Eligible applicants include state and federal management agencies, non-governmental organizations (e.g. conservation groups, community associations, watershed councils, cooperatives, civic groups), municipalities, universities, schools, private landowners, and local and tribal governments.	GPFHP typically allocates approximately \$100,000 among 5 - 8 individual projects annually. Typical awards range from \$10,000 - \$50,000. 1:1 match required.	No information for 2026	http://www.fishhabitat.org/news/	Steven Krentz, GPFHP Coordinator, at 701-355-8547 or Steven_Krentz@fws.gov.
Green Partners Grants	Environmental & Education	Metro	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. There are three categories of grants: -Environmental Action grants -Youth environmental education grants -Youth green jobs grants	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 never received a Green Partners award before, you can apply for up to \$12,000 for a one-year project. If you have received a Green Partners award 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.	April 3, 2025	https://www.hennepincounty.gov/services/grants-funding-opportunities/environmental-grants-funding/green-partners-funding/green-partners-programs	environment@hennepin.us (612) 348-3777
Natural Resources Grants - Opportunity Grant	Water Quality	Metro	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.	Opportunity Grants are currently closed. Check back for future updates.	https://www.hennepincounty.gov/services/erironment/land-water-resources/natural-resources-protection/funding-for-natural-resources-projects	Ellen Sones ellen.sones@hennepin.us 612-596-1173
Transportation Regional Solicitation	Transportation	Metro	MN	Metropolitan Council	Federal	The Metropolitan Council is accepting applications for federal transportation monies to help fund local projects. The funding is key to helping local governments and others piece together financing for projects that benefit their communities and the region. Applicants compete for funding from one of the modal categories: Roadways, Transit, Bike and Pedestrian, roadway spot mobility and safety, and arterial bus rapid transit project.	Eligible metro-area applicants include the seven counties, cities and townships, state agencies, colleges and universities, school districts, American Indian tribal governments, transit providers, nonprofit organizations and park districts.	Roadway traffic management technologies maximum fund of \$3.5 million; roadway strategic capacity maximum award \$10 million; multiuse trail and bicycle facilities maximum award \$4 million; transit modernization minimum award \$500,000; travel demand minimum award \$100,000; roadway spot mobility and safety minimum award \$1 million maximum award \$3.5 million; arterial bus rapid transit maximum award \$25 million	December 15, 2023, 4:00 pm	https://metrocouncil.org/Transportation/Planning-2/Transportation-Funding/Regional-Solicitation.aspx	Elaine Koutsoukos elaine.koutsoukos@metc.state.mn.us 651-602-1717
Metropolitan Council Municipal Inflow and Infiltration Grant Program	Water Quality	Metro	MN	Metropolitan Council	Non-Federal	The 2023 Municipal I/I Grant Program consists of \$12M in bonding bill funding for the purpose of providing grants to municipalities for capital improvements to public infrastructure to mitigate I/I. Projects must be completed in calendar years 2024 or 2025 to be eligible for these grants funded through state bonds.	Only construction costs qualify. Eligible work include pipe lining and replacement, joint and chimney sealing, manhole lining and replacement, flood mitigation, cross connection elimination. Studies, investigations, engineering costs, or any work on privately owned infrastructure are not eligible.	Lesser of \$50,000 or 75-100% of eligible expenses	December 15, 2023	https://metrocouncil.org/Wastewater-Water/Funding-Finance/Available-Funding-Grants.aspx	Walter Atkins WalterAtkins@metc.state.mn.us or Matt Gsellmeier Matthew.Gsellmeier@metc.state.mn.us
Port Development Assistance Program	Transportation	Statewide	MN	Minnesota Department of Transportation	Non-Federal	The Minnesota Port Development Assistance Program (PDAP) provides the state's public port authorities with capital investment funding assistance through grants. It's administered by MnDOT's Office of Freight and Commercial Vehicle Operations. The goal of the program is to upgrade facilities and infrastructure, as well as to rehabilitate and expand port capacity such as new or expansion dredging to maximize ship draft at dock areas, dock wall construction, building/rehabilitating/retrofitting of new technologies for port structures and facilities, improving road and rail access to port areas, upgrading plumbing and electrical to meet safety codes	Eligible applicants are any person, political subdivision, or port authority that owns a commercial navigation facility.	PDAP involves a maximum state match of 80 percent funding and a local match of at least 20 percent. \$18.1 million available	October 9, 2023 by 5pm	http://www.dot.state.mn.us/ofw/waterways/pdap.html	Patrick Phenow Patric.Phenow@state.mn.us
Grant Administration support for Joint Targeted Interconnection Queue Transmission study	Renewable Energy		MN	MN Commerce Department	Non-Federal	The Minnesota Department of Commerce seeks proposals from qualified organizations or individuals to be the primary grant administrator for the Joint Targeted Interconnection Queue (JTIC) Transmission Study Process and Portfolio grant from the US Department of Energy. This administrator, or administrators, will work with project partners to ensure compliance with DOE reporting requirements, work to develop a governance structure for the organizations working in partnership on the grant, and help to develop budgets for future phases of this large multiyear project.	Individuals or organizations that would be involved with coordinating the planning, design, and construction of five transmission projects across seven Midwest states	Contact	November 18, 2024	https://mn.gov/commerce/business/rfp.jsp	JTIC.RFP.COMM@state.mn.us
Strengthening the Reliability and Resiliency of Minnesota's Electrical Grid	Renewable Energy		MN	MN Department of Commerce	Non-Federal	This competitive grant program seeks proposals for projects which will: increase the resilience of Minnesota's electric grid against disruptive events, advance grid modernization and the deployment of clean energy resources and reduce the impacts of climate-driven extreme weather and natural disasters. This program also aims to generate the greatest community benefit and expand or create clean energy workforce opportunities for Minnesotans.	Consumer-owned utility (e.g., a municipal gas utility, a municipal electric utility or a cooperative electric association) or associated trade association; Generation and transmission cooperative electric association; Municipal power agency; or Power district serving one or more consumer-owned utilities.	The Minnesota State Legislature allocated a total of \$5.3 million for the Commerce Department to award grant funding that may not exceed \$250,000.	August 26, 2024, by 5 pm CDT	https://mn.gov/commerce/energy/consumer/energy-programs/electric-grid-resilience.jsp	grid.resilience.COMM@state.mn.us
Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program - Metro Projects	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Metro	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Grant program to restore or enhance prairies, wetlands, forests, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife in Minnesota. Program provides competitive grants of \$5,000-\$400,000 with a 10% non-state match requirement and a total project cost cap of \$575,000. Restoration and enhancement projects will only be funded on lands in public ownership or waters designated as public waters. All project sites must be open to the public for all seasons of hunting and fishing.	Eligible applicants are limited to local, regional, state, and national non-profit organizations, including government entities. Projects must be located within the 7 county metro area or within city limits of cities with a population of 50,000 or greater (Duluth, Rochester, St. Cloud). Private individuals and for-profit organizations are not eligible to apply for these grants.	Competitive grants from \$5,000-\$500,000 with a 10% non-state match requirement and a total project cost cap of \$1,000,000	September 16, 2025	https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/cpl/metro-grant-cycle.html	LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us Jessica Lee, CPL Grant Program Coordinator 651-259-5233 (St. Paul) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant MN DNR 500 Lafayette Road Box #20 St. Paul, MN 55155
Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program - Traditional Projects	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	Statewide	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Grant program to restore or enhance prairies, wetlands, forests, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife in Minnesota. Program provides competitive grants of \$5,000-\$400,000 with a 10% non-state match requirement and a total project cost cap of \$575,000. Restoration and enhancement projects will only be funded on lands in public ownership or waters designated as public waters. All project sites must be open to the public for all seasons of hunting and fishing.	Eligible applicants are limited to local, regional, state, and national non-profit organizations, including government entities. Private individuals and for-profit organizations are not eligible to apply for these grants.	Competitive grants from \$5,000-\$500,000 with a 10% non-state match requirement and a total project cost cap of \$1,000,000	September 16, 2025	https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/cpl/cou-grant-cycle.html	LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us Jessica Lee, CPL Grant Program Coordinator 651-259-5233 (St. Paul) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant MN DNR 500 Lafayette Road Box #20 St. Paul, MN 55155
Stream Bank Maintenance Grants	Water Quality	Statewide	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Program to support the removal of brush, dead or downed trees and other debris such as concrete, asphalt or scrap material from stream channels and flood plains.	County governments	Grants cover a maximum of 75% eligible project costs. Grant awards typically range from \$5,000 to \$15,000.	There is no funding currently available for stream bank maintenance grants. However, the program remains in place in the event that there is funding available in the future.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/water/stream_bank.html	Matthew Bauman, Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Manager DNR Division of Waters 500 Lafayette Road, Box 32 St. Paul, MN 55155 Phone: (651) 259-5691 Fax: (651) 296-0445 E-mail: matthew.bauman@state.mn.us

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Statewide organics recycling for multifamily buildings	Environmental & Education	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA has approximately \$563,350 available to support projects that either expand organics recycling access to residents or buildings without current access or increase participation at buildings with existing organics recycling programs. This grant program aims to reduce the amount of organic material being disposed of through landfilling or incineration while providing more opportunities for residents of multifamily buildings to participate in organics recycling programming.	501(c)(3) Not-for-profit and non-profit organizations located in Minnesota or serving Minnesota political subdivisions of the state (including counties, cities, towns, etc.) an owner of a multifamily building(s) in Minnesota a for-profit business that owns a multifamily building(s) in Minnesota Applicants located in, serving, or who are members of Tribal communities are eligible and encouraged to apply. However, Tribal governments are not eligible applicants.	Total available funds: \$563,350. Applicants must match at least 20% of the grant request. Maximum and minimum awards vary by project size.	September 25, 2025, 4:00pm	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/grants-and-loans/statewide-organics-recycling-for-multifamily-buildings	grants.pca@state.mn.us
Greater MN waste reduction, reuse, recycling and composting grants	Environmental & Education	Metro	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	MPCA has approximately \$1 million for projects that increase the efficiency or effectiveness of waste reduction, reuse, recycling, or composting programs. Reducing the amount of materials entering landfills in Greater Minnesota communities benefits the environment as well as local economies.	Minnesota counties, cities, townships, and Tribes located outside of the Twin Cities metro area may apply. Cities must have a population of less than 45,000. Applicants asking for less than the minimum grant award (\$50,000) will be deemed ineligible.	Approximately \$1 million is available. Minimum \$50,000 per project. Maximum \$250,000 per project. 25% match is required.	October 7, 2025	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mpca/environmental-assistance-grants	grants.pca@state.mn.us Use the subject line: "Greater Minnesota Grant Question."
Destructive technology test on PFAS concentrate	Water Quality	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has been testing the effectiveness of PFAS removal in groundwater and surface water at Tablyn Park in Lake Elmo utilizing a foam fractionation system as a part of the Feasibility Study required under the 2018 3M Settlement with the state of Minnesota. The result of the PFAS removal is a concentrated form of PFAS-containing water (concentrate), generally ranging from the 100s to 1,000s parts per billion (µg/L) PFOA/PFOS constituents. This RFP is intended to provide a mechanism for interested parties to acquire PFAS concentrate for PFAS destructive technology testing purposes. Up to 250 gallons of PFAS concentrate is available for approved applicants. Approved applicants will communicate and coordinate obtaining the concentrate from MPCA's authorized representative.	Destruction technology applicants and test projects will be screened by the MPCA for eligibility. Applicants and test projects must demonstrate existing PFAS destruction technology expertise and capabilities per the questions/requirements outlined in the application, including: PFAS Destruction Technology and Test Description PFAS Waste Disposal Requirements PFAS Destruction Deliverables	Acquire PFAS concentrate for PFAS destructive technology testing purposes.	This RFP will remain open, and applications will be accepted on a rolling, first come, first served basis until all available PFAS concentrate has been dispersed or 4 p.m. Central Time on July 31, 2025, whichever occurs first.	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/business-with-us/grants-loans-and-contracts	grants.pca@state.mn.us
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	July 31, 2025	Drinking water planning and design funds for PFAS treatment Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (state.mn.us)	grants.pca@state.mn.us
Sewer overflow and stormwater reuse municipal grants	Water Quantity	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Federal	The MPCA has \$676,000 available in grant funding for communities in environmental justice areas across Minnesota to support projects that provide planning and design services for replacing or upgrading inadequate water infrastructure. The program provides up to \$150,000 for planning and design services for critical infrastructure projects that address combined sewer overflows, sanitary sewer overflows, and stormwater management. The resulting construction projects will help to increase the resiliency of stormwater systems, minimize localized flooding risks, and reduce clean water intrusion into wastewater systems.	Eligible applicants must be a city, town, borough, county, parish, district, association, or other public body created by or pursuant to state law and having jurisdiction over disposal of sewage, industrial wastes, or other wastes, or an Indian tribe or an authorized Indian tribal organization, or a designated and approved management agency under CWA section 208 located within the geographic boundaries of the state of Minnesota and are located in or near an area of concern for Environmental Justice are eligible applicants.	Total funding available: \$676,000 Maximum award: \$150,000	November 22, 2024, 4:00pm CST	Grants, loans, and contracts Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (state.mn.us)	grants.pca@state.mn.us
Clean heavy-duty off-road equipment grant	Air Quality		MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) seeks diesel fleet owners from private, public, and nonprofit sectors to apply to this DERA grant opportunity to fund off-road clean diesel projects in Minnesota. The DERA program reduces diesel emissions from diesel engines to improve air quality and public health.	Diesel fleet owners that operate in Minnesota in an off-road capacity For-profit, nonprofit, or government (local, state, and tribal) entities Grant contractors representing eligible clients	\$2 million available Maximum: \$500,000 Grantees will be required to provide a cash match. Required cash match percentages vary based on project category (see Section 12 of the RFP).	December 20, 2024 4:30 p.m.	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/air/apply-grant	grants.pca@state.mn.us
Stage 1 vapor recovery grants	Air Quality	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	MPCA is seeking proposals to reduce emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) through the use of stage 1 vapor recovery systems at gasoline-dispensing facilities throughout Minnesota. Grant funding is being offered for sites that are required or voluntarily choose to have a Stage 1 Vapor Recovery system on existing USTs or during UST replacement. Funding may be used for maintenance, testing, repairs, and parts replacement on existing Vapor Recovery systems. Funding may also be used for optional pressure testing after installation or repair of the Vapor Recovery system. The maintenance or installation of a dual point configuration or coaxial system is quick and should not interrupt business operations with minimal planning. These closed-loop systems help to increase the integrity of the tank with greater prevention of water and dust infiltration and allows for inexpensive testing to detect even the smallest of leaks.	- Privately owned gasoline-dispensing facilities (GDF) with 500 or fewer full-time equivalent (FTE) employees total at all locations combined, with monthly throughput of 100,000 gallons or less, outside of the sewer-county metro area. - Government- or tribal-owned gasoline dispensing facilities	Approximately \$250,000 in funding is available. Maximum award: The maximum grant award is \$24,500 per applicant. Match requirement: The match requirement is 25%	November 18, 2024, 4:00pm	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/business-with-us/grants-loans-and-contracts	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency grants.pca@state.mn.us
Statewide Wood Waste Utilization Grants	Environmental & Education	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	This grant program aims to reduce open burning, land disposal, and landfilling of woody biomass by funding projects that improve utilization of this resource for energy production, soil amendments, carbon storage, durable wood products, and other projects that demonstrate beneficial use as laid out in the wood utilization hierarchy.	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, town, etc.), state agencies, and tribal governments. Multi-organizational collaboration is allowed.	A minimum of approximately \$1 million in funding will be awarded. Applicants must match at least 20% of the grant request. Large projects: \$100,000 to \$250,00 Smaller projects: \$10,000 to \$99,999	November 20, 2024, 4:00 pm	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/business-with-us/grants-loans-and-contracts	grants.pca@state.mn.us
Chloride Reduction Grants	Water Quality		MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA is seeking proposals from organizations to reduce chloride at the source within priority communities. The selected communities must have elevated chloride in their wastewater discharge or in local surface waters. The selected organization(s) will lead the effort within the selected communities in partnership with members of the community and local and state experts. The goal of the project is to strategically reduce chloride from known sources using a chloride reduction action plan and will result in reduce chloride impacts to local water resources. Multiple organizations may work together, but one organization will need to submit the application as the grantee.	Eligible organizations include for-profit businesses, local and regional governmental agencies (including townships and watershed and conservation organizations), educational institutions, nongovernmental organizations (e.g., nonprofit or industry association) or tribal entities.	Maximum award: \$500,000 Match requirement: 25% of the total grant amount. Loans and other grants may be used as match. Minimum award: \$200,000	October 16, 2024, 4:00 pm	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/business-with-us/grants-loans-and-contracts	grants.pca@state.mn.us
Statewide sustainable building and materials management grants	Environmental & Education	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA seeks proposals from eligible applicants for projects that focus on sustainable building and materials management strategies that reduce waste and increase deconstruction, salvage, and reuse. Examples include - Research and pilot a project with a focus of built environment waste reduction, and or material/building reuse. - Develop a program that focuses on building preservation, adaptive reuse of buildings, and/or reuse of building materials. - Coordinate and oversee the redistribution of funds awarded to the grantee as smaller grants to other entities. - Equipment needed to facilitate harvesting, storing, and/or re-distributing used or surplus building materials.	Minnesota not-for-profit and nonprofit organizations, for-profit businesses, institutions, political subdivisions of the state (including counties, cities, towns, etc.), state agencies, and tribal governments located in Minnesota or serving Minnesota. Multi-organizational collaboration is encouraged.	Approximately \$2 million in funding is available. Minimum: \$75,000. No maximum 25% match requirement	June 20, 2024, 4:00pm CT	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/business-with-us/grants-loans-and-contracts	grants.pca@state.mn.us

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Heavy duty on-road replacement grant	Environmental & Education		MN	MPCA	Federal	The grant aims to reduce diesel emissions and improve air quality and public health by removing older diesel vehicles and equipment from operation and replacing them with new, less-polluting models. New on-road vehicles funded by this grant can be electric, diesel, diesel hybrid electric, natural gas, or propane. New airport ground support equipment, forklifts, and port cargo handling equipment funded by this grant must be all electric. Projects funded will: 1) reduce diesel emissions in Minnesota; 2) fund new vehicles and pieces of equipment around the state; and 3) fund a mixture of clean, alternative fuel technologies.	For-profit, nonprofit, individuals, and public entities, including state, local, and tribal governments that own and operate vehicles within the eligibility section of this RFP, are eligible applicants. Applicants must be based in Minnesota or have a branch office in Minnesota. The vehicles must operate in Minnesota.	Approximately \$4.4 million in funding is available. The maximum award is 75% of replacement cost for all-electric vehicles and 25% for diesel, diesel-electric hybrid, natural gas or propane vehicles.	October 16, 2024, 4:30 pm	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/grants-and-loans/heavy-duty-on-road-replacement-grant	grants.pca@state.mn.us
Implementation Grants for Community Resilience	Environmental & Education	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA is soliciting project proposals to distribute \$5 million to communities for non-stormwater and non-wastewater implementation projects to increase community resilience to the impacts of climate change. Project examples include the construction of: - Extreme heat mitigation or management - Asset hardening for resilience - Transportation upgrades to increase resilience and alternatives to car travel - Wildfire resilience - Public water supply projects - Housing resilience	Tribal nations and local governmental units that are located within the geographic boundaries of the state of Minnesota are eligible applicants. Local government units include cities, counties, towns or townships, soil and water conservation districts, water management organizations, watershed districts, regional development commissions, and metropolitan planning organizations.	Total funding available: \$5 million.	December 19, 2024, 4:00 pm	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/grants-and-loans/implementation-grants-for-community-resilience	Please submit questions about this grant to grants.pca@state.mn.us with the subject line "Implementation Grants for Community Resilience"
Implementation Grants for stormwater, wastewater, and community resilience	Water Quantity	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA is soliciting project proposals to distribute \$750,000 for climate planning projects to communities across Minnesota. This funding provides an opportunity for these communities to assess vulnerabilities and begin planning for the effects of Minnesota's changing climate in three areas: - How to increase resilience to stormwater and reduce localized flood risk. - How to improve the resilience of wastewater systems. - How to reduce human health effects and adapt community services, ordinances, and public spaces to the changing climate.	Tribal nations, cities, counties, towns/townships, soil and water conservation districts, water management organizations, and water districts are eligible to apply.	Total funding available: \$750,000	December 5, 2024, 4:00 pm	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/grants-and-loans/planning-grants-for-stormwater-wastewater-and-community-resilience	grants.pca@state.mn.us
Small, rural, and tribal wastewater technical assistance grant	Water/Wastewater	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Federal	The MPCA is seeking a grantee to work with small, rural, or tribal publicly owned treatment works (POTWs) to develop asset management plans and provide wastewater National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES/SDS) technical assistance. The grantee will perform asset management activities for POTWs. They will work onsite to gather historical information, fill in the gaps where there is missing information, and produce a list (or database) of a system's complete assets. Some POTWs may use this information to input into a GIS system. POTWs that have or are developing a drinking water asset management system through the Minnesota Department of Health's set-aside program will be prioritized and coordinated, if possible.	Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations (as defined in 2 CFR § 200.1) incorporated in the State of Minnesota that are qualified and experienced in and have the equipment, vehicles and resources for providing on-site training and technical assistance to rural, small, and tribal municipalities and/or small publicly owned treatment works.	Total funding available: \$170,000	October 10, 2023	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/regulations/funding-opportunities	grants.pca@state.mn.us
Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (Minnesota)	Renewable Energy		MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency recently received a \$3 million planning grant to strategically advance the state's Climate Action Framework and enable the state, tribal nations, and local governments to access competitive implementation funding through the CPRG program.	Local governments and tribal nations	\$3 million available	General competition grants are due April 1, 2024, 11:59 pm ET	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/regulations/funding-opportunities	Faith Krogstad MPCA climate and energy coordinator faith.krogstad@state.mn.us
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	July 26, 2024 by 4:30 pm CT	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/regulations/funding-opportunities	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency grants.pca@state.mn.us
Clean Air Grants	Air Quality		MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA "Improving air quality through pollutant reduction" grant is open for small businesses, governmental agencies, educational institutions, and non-governmental organizations to use different equipment, update processes, or switch to cleaner products to save money and protect the health of their employees and neighbors.	For-profit businesses with 500 or fewer full-time equivalent (FTE) employees, including parent company; governmental entity; educational institution; non-profit organization; or tribal entity	Approximately \$110,000 in funding available for this grant round. Maximum individual grant award is \$24,500, match requirement 25%.	April 10, 2023	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/regulations/funding-opportunities	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency grants.pca@state.mn.us
Monarch Butterfly and Pollinators Conservation Fund	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		All States	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	Federal	The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) seeks proposals to advance pollinator conservation. The goal of the Monarch Butterfly and Pollinators Conservation Fund (Pollinator Fund) is to protect, conserve, and increase habitat for the monarch butterfly and other native insect pollinators. Projects should align with NFWF's Monarch Butterfly Business Plan. The most competitive projects will demonstrate clear benefits to both monarch butterfly and additional at-risk native insect pollinator species. Special consideration will be given to projects benefiting rusty patched bumble bee, Franklin's bumble bee, Kanner blue butterfly, Dakota skipper, Poweshiek skipperling, and Mitchell's satyr.	Eligible applicants include nonprofit 501(c)(3) 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. Grant funding may be awarded in the following eligible states: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.	Grant awards will range from \$200,000 to \$300,000. Matching funds are not required. However, the ratio of matching contributions offered to grant funding requested is one criterion considered during the review process, and projects that offer a 1:1 match ratio with contributions from non-federal sources will be more competitive.	July 8, 2025 by 11:50 pm ET	https://www.nfwf.org/programs/monarch-butterfly-and-pollinators-conservation-fund?activeTab=tab-1	Crystal Boyd Manager of Pollinator Programs Crystal.Boyd@nfwf.org
Great Urban Parks Campaign	Water Quality		All States	National Recreation and Park Association	Non-Federal	The purpose of this grant opportunity is to demonstrate the effectiveness of green stormwater infrastructure to positively affect environmental and social change in underserved communities, and to empower residents to be actively engaged in projects that address community needs and meet local stormwater management goals. Through this funding NRPA aims to create replicable model projects that provide strategies and lessons learned that advance the implementation of green stormwater infrastructure projects in parks as a resiliency strategy for communities across the country. This funding will support green stormwater infrastructure projects in underserved communities that achieve each of the following key objectives: 1. Improved environmental quality including: enhanced water quality, increased climate resiliency through reduced flooding, improved ability of the site to hold and retain stormwater, improved and increased green space and wildlife habitat. 2. Increased access to high quality park and recreation space within underserved communities, and increased access to related recreation, environmental education and green job opportunities. 3. An engaged community empowered to improve local environmental quality through green infrastructure solutions.	The principal applicant must be a local, municipal or regional government agency (e.g. park and recreation department) or affiliated 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. If the applicant is not a local, municipal or regional government agency, the applicant is required to submit a letter of support for the project being proposed from the park and recreation agency director or equivalent. The proposed project must take place at a publicly-owned site(s) in an underserved community.	\$2,000,000 of funding is available. The NRPA seeks to fund 10-12 communities each between \$150,000 and \$300,000.	No information for 2026	https://www.nrpa.org/our-work/Grant-Fundraising-Resources/	GUPC@nrpa.org Alyssa McLaughlin at AMcLaughlin@nrpa.org

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Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant Competition	Water Quality		All States	NOAA	Federal	The objective of the S-K Program is to promote U.S. fisheries by assisting the fishing community to address marketing and research needs. The FY25 solicitation seeks applications that fall into one of three priorities: - Promotion and Marketing - Development, Infrastructure, and Capacity Building - Science or Technology that Enhances Sustainable U.S. Fisheries	You are eligible to apply for a grant or cooperative agreement under the S-K grant competition if: - You are a citizen or national of the United States - You are a citizen of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau, or the Federated States of Micronesia - You represent an entity that is a corporation, partnership, association, or other non-Federal entity, non-profit or otherwise (including Indian Tribes), if such entity is a citizen of the United States, or NMI, within the meaning of section 2 of the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended (46 U.S.C. Section 5050.)	The total federal amount requested can be no less than \$25,000 and no greater than \$500,000, for up to a 2-year period, including direct and indirect costs. For the FY25 competition, the anticipated distribution of available funds is as follows: Priority 1: Approximately 50% Priority 2: Approximately 25% Priority 3: Approximately 25%	November 25, 2024	https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/funding-opportunities/open-opportunities	Contact the program officers in your region: Headquarters: Jennifer Foss Jennifer.Foss@noaa.gov (202) 657-3389
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Watershed Education and Training Program	Environmental & Education		Great Lakes Basin States	NOAA	Federal	This environmental education program supports locally relevant, authentic experiential learning in the K-12 environment. Funded projects provide Meaningful Watershed Educational Experiences (MWEEs) for students, related professional development for teachers, and help to support regional education and environmental priorities in the Great Lakes. The primary delivery is through competitive grants.	Eligible applicants are K-12 public and independent schools and school systems, institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, state or local government agencies, interstate agencies, and Indian tribal governments. For-profit organizations, foreign organizations, and foreign public entities are not eligible to apply, however, for-profit and foreign organizations and foreign public entities may participate with an eligible applicant as a project partner.	Total funding available is \$900,000 for general program and \$300,000 for indigenous communities.	November 22, 2024	https://www.glr.us/funding	Sarah Waters NOAA Great Lakes B-WET Program Manager sarah.a.waters@noaa.gov 989-312-3520 https://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/bwet/greatlakes/
Understanding and Assessing drought in a Changing Climate (NIDIS)	Water Quantity		All States	NOAA	Federal	The overarching goals of NIDIS are to 1) provide effective drought early warning for the nation; 2) conduct research and monitoring activities to better understand length, severity, and impacts of drought and the role of extreme weather events and climate variability in drought; 3) collect, integrate, and communicate information on key indicators and impacts of drought to inform timely drought assessments; 4) support improvements in seasonal, sub-seasonal, of drought to inform timely drought assessments; 4) support improvements in seasonal, sub-seasonal.products that reflect watershed differences in drought conditions.	Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education, other nonprofits, commercial organizations, international organizations, and state, local and federally recognized tribal governments. Federal agencies or institutions are not eligible to receive Federal assistance under this notice. (See "special instructions for federal applicants" on the CPO website.)	It is anticipated that most awards will be at a funding level between \$50,000 and \$250,000 per year over 2 years for a total of \$500,000. Max: \$500,000 Min: \$250,000	December 9, 2024	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/355989	Debbie galo@noaa.gov@noaa.gov or diane.brown@noaa.gov
Conservation Partners Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		Great Plains, Upper Mississippi River Basin, Great Lakes Basin, Western Grazing Lands	NRCS & NFWF	Federal	Grant recipients will provide technical assistance to interested farmers and ranchers to develop management plans, design and implement conservation practices, share their experiences and lessons learned, and participate in Farm Bill programs, especially the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) and Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Competitive projects will increase participation in Farm Bill programs as one way to advance regenerative agriculture principles. Some of these principles include: 1) minimizing chronic disturbances to the soil and biological community; 2) enhancing wildlife habitat; 3) extending crop rotations; 4) keeping the soil covered; 5) keeping a living root in the ground at all times; 6) efficiently managing water resources; and 6) integrating livestock into agricultural systems.	Non-profit 501(c) organizations, farmer and commodity-led organizations, educational institutions, tribal governments, and state or local units of governments (e.g. state agricultural and/or conservation agencies, counties, townships, cities, conservation districts, utility districts, drainage districts, etc.). Proposals will be focused in one of the four geographic areas listed below: +Great Plains +Upper Mississippi River Basin +Southern Great Plains +Western Grazing Lands	Up to \$15 million in grant funding is available under this funding opportunity. Typical grant awards will range from \$200,000 to \$1,000,000, with an estimated average grant size of approximately \$500,000. The ratio of matching contributions to grant funding requested is an important criterion considered during the review process. While matching contributions are not required, applicants are encouraged to offer higher match ratios to be more competitive.	July 15, 2025	https://www.nfwf.org/conservationpartners/Pages/home.aspx	Bridget Collins bridget.collins@nfwf.org 202-595-2655
Not-for Profit Acid Mine Drainage Watershed Cooperative Agreement Programs	Water Quality		All States	Office of Surface Mining		Funding is available to assist local 501(c)(3) status organizations and groups that undertake local acid mine drainage (AMD) reclamation projects to improve the water quality of streams impacted by acid mine drainage. WCAP is designed to be partnered with other funding sources to assist groups such as small watershed organizations to complete local AMD reclamation projects. The funding priorities and technical focus for this announcement are to restore streams affected by AMD to a level that will support a diverse biological community and provide recreational opportunities for the public.	Eligible applicants include nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education.	Estimated Total Program Funding: \$2,000,000 Award Ceiling: \$100,000	No information for 2026	https://simpler.grants.gov/search?utm_source=Grants.gov&query=mine	Paul Fritsch pfritsch@osmre.gov
North American Wetland Conservation Act Small Grants Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		All States	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	Federal	The Act was passed, in part, to support activities under the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, an international agreement that provides a strategy for the long-term protection of wetlands and associated uplands habitats needed by waterfowl and other migratory birds in North America. In December 2002, Congress reauthorized the Act and expanded its scope to include the conservation of all habitats and birds associated with wetlands ecosystems.	The Small 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. 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 no more than \$250,000. Requires minimum 1:1 match	October 10, 2024, 11:59pm ET	https://www.fws.gov/service/north-american-wetlands-conservation-act-nawca-grants-us-small	Rodecia McKnight, (703) 358-2266 or Anya Rushing, (703) 358-2032
Wetland Mitigation Banking Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		All States	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	Federal	NRCS is announcing the availability of up to \$7 million in WMBP grant funds for the development and establishment of mitigation banks and banking opportunities solely for agricultural producers with wetlands subject to the wetland conservation compliance provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985 (as amended).	State governments, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, For profit organizations other than small businesses, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, City or township governments, Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments), Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Private institutions of higher education, Special district governments, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, County governments, Small businesses. Priority will be given to banks in states with significant numbers of individual wetlands, wetland acres, and conservation compliance requests. Based on NRCS data, these states are Iowa, Michigan, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Illinois, Minnesota, Indiana, South Dakota, Pennsylvania, Georgia, and Ohio.	\$40 million (annually) for 24 North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) proposals for U.S Standard Grants no more than \$250,000. Requires minimum 1:1 match	August 2, 2024 by 11:59 pm ET	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/354591	Tessa Garcia tessa.garcia@usda.gov
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Forest Restoration	Environmental & Education		Great Lakes Basin States	U.S. Forest Service	Federal	The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) was launched in 2010 to accelerate efforts to protect and restore one of the largest systems of fresh surface water in the world—the Great Lakes. As one of 16 GLRI regional working group members, the U.S. Forest Service awards competitive grants to assist organizations and communities who are taking creative approaches to improve habitats and water quality. Project areas are: 1) Mitigate forest insect and disease impacts 2) Reduce runoff from degraded sites through green infrastructure 3) Restore and connect coastal and riparian forest habitats	State agencies, Tribal communities, nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and local governments that work within the Great Lakes Basin of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin.	Anticipated funds will be distributed across three Program Areas. The minimum and maximum Federal funding requests vary depending on Program Area, with an overall range of \$50,000 to \$300,000.	We anticipate launching the fiscal year 2025 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Grant Program Request for Application (RFA) in late winter, 2025. This is a departure from the previous few years during which the RFAs were announced in late summer/early fall.	https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r9/workingtogether/grants/2cid=F5EP9D698819	support@grants.gov 1-800-518-4726

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Great Lakes Restoration Initiative	Environmental & Education		Great Lakes Basin States	U.S. Forest Service	Federal	The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative targets the most significant environmental problems in the Great Lakes ecosystem by funding and implementing federal projects that address these problems. One objective is to protect, restore and enhance habitats to help sustain healthy populations of native species. Using appropriations from the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) Program anticipates funding wetland (both coastal and interior) and associated upland habitat restoration and enhancement projects for conservation of native Great Lakes fish and wildlife populations, particularly migratory birds and, as appropriate, federally-listed species. Restoration projects will be completed on privately owned (non-federal/non-state) lands and must be within the Great Lakes watershed. Emphasis will be placed on, but not limited to, completing projects within the watersheds of Great Lakes Areas of Concern and in coastal zones.	State agencies, Tribal communities, nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and local governments that work within the Great Lakes Basin of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin.	Total funding available is \$10 million. Typical funding range will be from \$500,000 to \$5 million (minimum award is \$300,000) depending on program area. A non-federal cost share is recommended.	May 6, 2024	https://www.glr.us/funding	Sergio Pierluissi 612-713-5475 sergio_pierluissi@fws.gov
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative: Nonpoint Source Runoff & Nutrient Reduction Projects	Environmental & Education		Great Lakes Basin States	U.S. Forest Service	Federal	EPA is calling for grant applications to fund projects in the Great Lakes basin aimed at addressing stormwater runoff which carries pollution from the land into water bodies. These projects include innovative ways to reduce nutrients from agricultural runoff and a special consideration for underserved communities. Applications are requested for three categories: agricultural non-point source loading, stormwater, and stabilization of Great Lakes shoreline or streambanks.	State agencies, Tribal communities, nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and local governments that work within the Great Lakes Basin of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin.	\$600,000	No information for 2026	https://www.glr.us/funding	Michael Russ russ.michael@epa.gov 312-886-4013
Environmental Infrastructure Assistance (Section 569)	Water Quantity		MN	US Army Corps of Engineers	Federal	The Section 569 program authorizes aid from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to the public entities in the 18-county northeastern Minnesota area for design and construction assistance for water-related environmental infrastructure and resource protection and development projects. These projects include wastewater treatment and related facilities, water supply and related facilities, environmental restoration, and surface water resource protection and development.	The Section 569 program area includes the northeastern Minnesota counties of Aitkin, Beltrami, Carlton, Cass, Chicago, Cook, Crow Wing, Hubbard, Isanti, Itasca, Kanabec, Koochiching, Lake, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Pine, St. Louis and Wadena. Program responsibilities are shared between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Paul District and the Detroit District.	Infrastructure assistance is provided on a 75% federal, 25% non-federal sponsor basis.	St. Paul District did not receive funding in fiscal year 2024 for Section 569 projects.	https://www.myp.usace.army.mil/SourisFeasibility/Article/571011/environmental-infrastructure-assistance-section-569-northeastern-minnesota/	St. Paul District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 180 5th St. East, Ste. 700 St. Paul, MN 55101-1678 Phone: 651-290-5807
Environmental Justice Collaborative Small Grants Program	Environmental & Education		All States	US EPA	Federal	The Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving (EJCPS) Cooperative Agreement Program provides funding to support community-based organizations in their efforts to collaborate and partner with local stakeholder groups (e.g. local businesses and industry, local government, medical providers, and academia) as they develop and implement solutions that address environmental and/or public health issues for underserved communities. Special focus given to projects focusing on COVID-19 impacts, climate and disaster resiliency.	Eligible projects must demonstrate use of the Environmental Justice Collaborative Model to support their collaborative efforts during the project period. Applying organizations should have a direct connection to the underserved community impacted by the environmental harms and risks detailed in the workplan. Eligible applicants must be one of the following entities: incorporated non-profit organizations including but not limited to environmental justice networks, faith based organizations, and those affiliated with religious institutions, federally recognized tribal governments including Alaska Native Villages, or tribal organizations	The total estimated funding for this competitive opportunity is approximately \$2,800,000 for projects related to one of the seven statutes listed in Section I.C. EPA anticipates awarding approximately five grants per EPA region in amounts of up to \$50,000 per award. ***EPA anticipates the potential for additional funds up to \$4.5 million to be made available through this funding opportunity along with the original \$2.8 million of EJ funds. Approximately 100 small grants will now be awarded nationwide. Grants will be for up to \$75,000 each for one-year projects.	No information for 2026	https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-small-grants-program	Office of Environmental Justice 202-564-2515 environmental-justice@epa.gov Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20460 (See Regional Contacts on Website)
Environmental Justice Collaborative Tribal Small Grants Program	Environmental & Education		All States	US EPA	Federal	The Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving (EJCPS) Cooperative Agreement Program provides funding to support community-based organizations in their efforts to collaborate and partner with local stakeholder groups (e.g. local businesses and industry, local government, medical providers, and academia) as they develop and implement solutions that address environmental and/or public health issues for underserved communities. Special focus given to projects focusing on COVID-19 impacts, climate and disaster resiliency.	Eligible projects must demonstrate use of the Environmental Justice Collaborative Model to support their collaborative efforts during the project period. Applying organizations should have a direct connection to the underserved community impacted by the environmental harms and risks detailed in the workplan. Eligible applicants must be a federally recognized tribal organization	The total estimated funding for this competitive opportunity is approximately \$1,600,000. EPA is limiting applicants to federally recognized tribal governments only. Applicants may request up to \$100,000.	No information for 2026	https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-small-grants-program	Office of Environmental Justice 202-564-2515 environmental-justice@epa.gov Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20460 (See Regional Contacts on Website)
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
National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection		Great Lakes Basin States	USFWS	Federal	The National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program supports the long-term conservation of coastal wetland ecosystems for the benefit of coastal communities, fish and wildlife and their habitats, and the recreating public. The Program provides eligible State and Territory agencies with cost sharing awards for projects that protect and restore valuable coastal wetland resources. Projects may include acquisition of a real property interest in a coastal wetland ecosystem and the restoration, enhancement, or management of coastal wetlands.Coastal wetlands are valued because they protect against flooding, help maintain water quality, and provide habitats for fish and wildlife.	Eligible coastal States are States bordering the Great Lakes (AL, AK, AS, CA, CT, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IL, IN, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, MP, OH, OR, PA, PR, RI, SC, TX, VI, VA, WA, WI). Eligible applicants are any State agency or entity designated as eligible by the Governor of a coastal state. It is usually a State natural resource or fish and wildlife agency.	Approximately \$20 million available. Awards typically range from \$50,000-\$1 million.	July 18, 2025	https://www.fws.gov/coastal/CoastalGrants/	Chris Damell chris_damell@fws.gov
National Competitive Grants for Aquatic Invasive Species	Water Quality		All States	USFWS	Federal	The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, on behalf of the ANSTF, invites proposals to support the rapid response to a new species introduction within freshwater, estuarine, or marine waters of the United States, including the U.S. territories.For the purposes of this Federal Rapid Response Fund, "Rapid Response" is defined as a process employed to eradicate the founding population of non-native, potentially invasive, species in a specific location before that species begins to reproduce or spreads so widely that eradication is no longer feasible. Eradication is defined as the removal or destruction of an entire population of an invasive species within a specified area.	Tribal governments and state governments	Total funding: \$960,000 Maximum: \$960,000 Minimum: \$50,000	July 15, 2024	https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/351110	Susan Pasko susan_pasko@fws.gov
Water Resources Research National Competitive Grants Program	Water Quality		All States	USGS and NIWR	Federal	The Water Availability and Use Science Program (MAUSP) 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.	Awards are available only to Water Resources Research Institutes established pursuant to the provisions of section 104 of the Water Resources Research Act and listed at http://water.usgs.gov/wrri/index.php . However, any investigator at an institution of higher learning in the United States is eligible to apply for an award through a Water Resources Research Institute.	Approximately \$1.85 million available. Minimum: \$0 Maximum: \$310,000	September 30, 2025	The United States Geological Survey Water Resources Research Act Program: How to Apply for Grants and Internships (usgs.gov)	Sara Roser sroser@usgs.gov
National Competitive Grants for PFAS Substances	Water Quality		All States	USGS and NIWR	Federal	The U.S. Geological Survey, in cooperation with the National Institutes for Water Resources, requests proposals for research projects to address aquatic invasive species. For the 2021 National Competitive Grants Program, proposals must address one of two priority areas: -Research on the fate, persistence, transport, and impacts of per- and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) substances on changes to water quality and/or ecosystem dynamics, in water resources, including surface water and groundwater. -Social and/or economic assessment of the spread, detection, impacts, solutions, and management of PFAS in surface and/or groundwater.	Awards are available only to Water Research Institutes or Centers established pursuant to the provisions of section 104 of the Water Resources Research Act and listed at (http://water.usgs.gov/wrri/index.php). However, any investigator at an institution of higher learning in the United States is eligible to apply for an award through a Water Research Institute or Center. All portions of the preproposals must be submitted through the State Water Institute or Center by the deadline established in this announcement.	Approximately \$2,000,000 available. Proposals may be for projects of 1 to 3years in duration and may request up to \$250,000 in federal funds. Each applicant must match each Federal dollar provided to support each proposed project with not less than one dollar from non-federal sources. States may have different guidelines as to the sources of matching funds - please check with your Institute or Center Director for details.	May 30, 2024	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/353611	See local institute for contact information

Grant Program	Category	Metro/ Statewide MN	State	Sponsor Agency/ Org	Federal/ Non-Federal	General Info	Eligibility	Level of Assistance	Application Submittal Deadline w/ Comments	Link to Website	Contact Information
Small Watersheds Focus (Section 319)	Water Quality	Statewide	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA's Section 319 grant program is seeking applications from prioritized watersheds with approved nine element (NKE) watershed-based plans for projects to implement best management practices (BMPs) that will reduce nonpoint source pollution (NPS) in Minnesota's lakes, rivers, and streams.	Local governmental units such as soil and water conservation districts, watershed districts, watershed management organizations, tribal authorities, cities, counties, and joint-power organizations of local government. Must be within approved nine element (NKE) watersheds.	Contact for information	Review website for watershed specific funding cycles	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/section-319-small-watersheds-focus	Christopher Lundeen 218-316-3873 319.grant.pca@state.mn.us
Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program	Recreation		All States	Department of the Interior	Federal	The ORLP program provides grants to states, and through states to local units of government and federally-recognized Indian tribes, for projects that will provide outdoor recreation opportunities to the public through the acquisition of lands and waters for parks and other outdoor recreation areas, as well as through the development of new, or the renovation of existing, outdoor recreation facilities. As designed, the goal of the ORLP Program is to provide new or significantly improve recreation opportunities for disadvantaged communities in larger urbanized areas.	Only the State Lead Agency can be an applicant for a LWCF grant. The State Lead Agency may submit on behalf of themselves or another eligible subrecipient. Eligible sub-recipients include state agencies, local units of governments and special purpose districts and federally-recognized Indian tribes. An eligible sub-recipient must either be an incorporated city or town of at least 30,000 people as of the 2020 Census, or, if the subrecipient is a county or special purpose district, the project must be serving an incorporated city or town of at least 30,000 or more people	Maximum: \$15 million Minimum: \$300,000 Total available: \$450 million 1:1 match required	The next round of the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Grants (ORLP) is currently paused.	https://www.nps.gov/subjects/lwcf/orlp.htm	Matthew Russell matthew_russell@nps.gov
Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)	Water Quantity		All States	FEMA	Federal	The Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant program makes federal funds available to states, U.S. territories, federally recognized tribal governments , and local governments for hazard mitigation activities. It does so recognizing the growing hazards associated with climate change , and the need for natural hazard risk mitigation activities that promote climate adaptation and resilience with respect to those hazards. These include both acute extreme weather events and chronic stressors which have been observed and are expected to increase in intensity and frequency in the future. The BRIC program's guiding principles include supporting communities through capability and capacity-building; encouraging and enabling innovation, including multi-hazard resilience or nature-based solutions including the use of native plants; promoting partnerships; enabling large, systems-based projects; maintaining flexibility; and providing consistency. Through these efforts communities are able to better understand disaster risk and vulnerabilities, conduct community-driven resilience, hazard mitigation planning, and design transformational projects and programs.	States, D.C, U.S. territories, federally recognized tribal governments, local governments must apply through their state or territory.	Total program funding is \$750 million. Award ceiling is \$150 million 25% non-federal cost share required.	Paused	https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities	Contact information for the State Hazard Mitigation Officers (SHMOs) is provided on the FEMA website: http://www.fema.gov/state-hazard-mitigation-officers . For assistance with FEMA website, contact femago@fema.dhs.gov
Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Direct Technical Assistance	Water Quantity		All States	FEMA	Federal	Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Direct Technical Assistance (BRIC DTA) provides tailored support to communities and tribal nations that may not have the resources to begin climate resilience planning and project solution design on their own. Through process-oriented, hand-in-hand assistance, BRIC DTA will partner with communities interested in enhancing their capability and capacity to design holistic, equitable hazard mitigation solutions that advance numerous community-driven objectives.	Cities, Towns/townships, parishes, boroughs, counties, special district governments, federally recognized tribal nations	Maximum: \$150 million FEMA will offer wide-ranging non-financial support to BRIC DTA communities, including climate risk assessments, community engagement, partnership building, and mitigation and climate adaptation planning. Support for BRIC DTA communities can range from pre-application activities to grant closeout.	Paused	https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities/direct-technical-assistance	Contact information for the State Hazard Mitigation Officers (SHMOs) is provided on the FEMA website: http://www.fema.gov/state-hazard-mitigation-officers . For assistance with FEMA website, contact femago@fema.dhs.gov
Minnesota Climate Innovation Finance Authority, "Minnesota Green Bank"	Environmental & Education	Statewide	MN	Minnesota Climate Innovation Finance Authority	Non-Federal	The Green Bank would be a financial institution designed to speed the transition to clean energy by funding projects that lower emissions or produce carbon-free power. The bank would analyze the financial needs of projects aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Minnesota and recommending solutions to funding shortfalls.	Federal and state agencies, local governments, corporations and individuals	TBD	TBD	https://www.mncl.org/take-action/2023-minnesota-climate-innovation-finance-authority/	Minnesota State Senator Tou Xiong
MN Local Road Research Board and MnDOT Academic Research Funding	Research	Statewide	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	Ideas due: April 1, 2026 Request for proposal opens: TBD Proposals due: TBD	http://www.dot.state.mn.us/research/process-and-docs.html	Email research.dot@state.mn.us or call 651-366-3780