





ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

2022-2023 Year in Review





WILDLIFE & HABITAT

330,119 native trees, pollinator plants, marsh grasses, and other native plants installed

40 acres of forests, stream buffers, seagrass beds, and wetlands created or restored

15 acres of invasive species removed

Over 3 million of oysters raised and released

STORMWATER

127 acres of impervious surface treated or removed

108,710 square feet of rain gardens created

316 rain barrels installed

85,101 pounds of trash removed, including single-use plastics that choke wildlife and harm our ecosystems' health





EDUCATION & OUTREACH

54,338 students engaged by **2,698** teachers

63,818 people educated through **2,070** workshops

18,730 volunteers engaged, donating **109,266** hours





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Our Core Values

LEARNING

The Trust is constantly learning from a wide range of constituencies, including our collaborators, our grantees, and our critics, and is willing and able to embrace new approaches that help us meet our goals.

SCIENCE AND INNOVATION

The Trust uses the best available natural and social scientific information to guide our actions. Where needs or information gaps exist, the Trust supports the pursuit of new tools and information.

ENGAGEMENT OF A GRANTEE COMMUNITY

Our vision of healthy natural resources for all relies on a wide range of types of groups. Power exists in giving local, on-theground groups ownership of projects that make a difference.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

The watershed will not be restored without a broad range of communities investing in their natural resources, reaping the benefits of a healthier environment and economic and health co-benefits. Success hinges on understanding and connecting to the values and interests of diverse, often under-engaged communities.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Trust holds itself to the highest standards as the steward of contributions made to the Trust.

TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The Trust uses transparent and rigorous decision–making in its management of contributions made to the Trust, in implementing our grant–making programs, and in operating internally.



Letter from the President

We live in a region where stewards, aware of their power and potential to help our natural resources, are ready and willing to act. The people of the Chesapeake, Atlantic Coastal Bays, and Youghiogheny watersheds are

committed to conservation, combatting climate change, greening communities, and fostering a love for the outdoors. Governments can do a lot to reach our region's environmental goals, but regular people on the ground can get us over the goal line.

Enter the Chesapeake Bay Trust. We fuel the work of tens of thousands of residents as they take on their share of the work, get their hands dirty, and get their neighbors involved. We put power into the hands of everyday people equipped to make change. We do it primarily through grant funds, because projects cost money, but also with technical assistance and civic leadership by our Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps members. And we welcome and value new groups to the effort, which is why you'll see in the ensuing pages investment in finding and helping new applicants who have never applied to grants before.

These efforts not only enrich our natural resources but also strengthen our communities, many of whom have been left behind in terms of green investment. Their impact is reflected in the 424 projects featured in this report and nearly 12,000 grants over time – \$160 million worth – illustrated on our centerfold map. As you read on, we invite you to imagine the ripple effect of all of these regular people working towards a common goal.

We express our deep appreciation for those readers already supportive of this strategy. For those new to the work of the Trust, we encourage you to find your place in this work, as our next partner, donor, Corps member, or project lead.

Jana Davis, Ph.D. President

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The Chesapeake Bay Trust works with many funding partners to collaboratively support natural resources projects in several key topic areas:

EDUCATION:

We advance environmental education through student experiential learning, outdoor experiences, professional development for teachers, and curriculum development.

RESTORATION:

We support the restoration of our bays, rivers, streams, forests, parks, and other natural systems in ways that engage communities and individuals.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

We foster human connection to our natural resources using methods that promote ownership and long-lasting changes in attitudes and behaviors.

SCIENCE AND INNOVATION:

We work to advance science in many arenas in which we fund, such as best practices in environmental education, social science to change behaviors, and efficacy of restoration practices.

CAPACITY BUILDING:

We aim to increase the effectiveness of individual organizations and groups of organizations working to advance natural resource restoration and protection.

THANK YOU TO OUR FUNDING PARTNERS

We collaborate with many federal, state, local, corporate, and foundation partners on jointly funded initiatives managed by the Trust to restore the watershed and enhance Bay stewardship:

Foundation Partnerships:

Agua Fund, Inc.
BGE, An Exelon Company
The Keith Campbell Foundation for
the Environment
Chesapeake Bay Foundation
Chesapeake Bay Funders Network
The Denker Foundation
Hillsdale Fund, Inc.
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Federal, State, and Local Partners:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Park Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service - Urban and Community Forestry U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region III, Water Protection Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Chesapeake Bay Program Maryland Department of Agriculture Maryland Department of the Environment Maryland Department of Natural Resources

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Charles County Watershed Protection and Restoration

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Howard County Government Montgomery County Government

National Park Service

Prince George's County Government

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City of Salisbury

Thank you to our External Technical Review Panelists, whose expertise and time empower the Trust to rigorously review thousands of proposals and award the diverse projects represented in this report.



The grants and projects below are funded through more than 20 sources. Funds generated by the Maryland Bay Plate and the donation line on the Maryland state tax form are only awarded to projects in Maryland.

ANNE ARUNDEL

Annapolis Maritime Museum & Park, \$10,000 to expand the reach of its Box of Rain mentoring program for underserved youth

Annapolis Maritime Museum & Park, \$2,510 for a pollinator garden

Annapolis Maritime Museum & Park, \$15,000 for a green infrastructure plan that addresses rising sea levels

Annapolis Maritime Museum & Park, \$1,250 for an oyster garden

Anne Arundel Community College, \$1,250 to study horseshoe crab populations

Anne Arundel Watershed Stewards Academy, \$54,851 to plant 80 trees in underserved communities

Anne Arundel Watershed Stewards
Academy, \$3,918 for a sensory garden

Anne Arundel Watershed Stewards Academy, \$1,200 for its annual conference **Arundel Rivers Federation, \$28,683** for a rain garden and pollinator habitat at Parish Landing Marina

Arundel Rivers Federation, \$35,842 for a bioswale and rain garden at Galesville Memorial Hall

Arundel Rivers Federation, \$47,032 for three living shorelines in Edgewater Beach and Shady Side

Arundel Rivers Federation, \$80,000 to reduce pollutants and stormwater runoff at Southdown Shores

Arundel Rivers Federation, \$168,742 to restore a section of stream and reduce erosion at Broad Creek

Arundel Rivers Federation, \$348,185 to stabilize an eroding shoreline and create oyster habitats on Selby Bay

Arundel Rivers Federation, \$25,000 for leadership training and capacity building

Asbury Broadneck United Methodist Church, \$5,000 for underserved youth to plant trees

<< Annapolis Maritime Museum campers get hands-on environmental education as they seine for fish, learn about oyster restoration, plant pollinator gardens, and more.



Bay Ridge Civic Association, \$20,772 to manage 100 acres of forests

Broadneck High School, \$600 for a student film festival

Carolyn Mitchell, \$62,750 to assist under-resourced individuals applying for Trust opportunities

Carrollton Manor Improvement Association, \$2,000 for removing invasives and planting natives

Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Inc., \$40,000 to support three outdoor learning networks by developing curriculum and workshops

Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Inc., \$200,000 for a community health partnership to enhance water quality and oyster productivity

Chesapeake Conservancy, \$89,568 to update wetland maps

Chesapeake Conservancy, \$62,158 to study climate adaptation benefits of riparian forest buffer

Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating, \$500 for the annual CRAB Cup race

Chesapeake Rivers Association, Inc., \$299,732 to protect historically significant infrastructure and restore a gully in Crownsville

Clay Street Community Development Corporation, \$4,741 to address food insecurity with community gardens

Colchester on the Severn Neighborhood Association Inc., \$15,000 to restore a 10,000-sf forested buffer

Creekside at Osprey Landing HOA, Inc., \$133,450 for native plantings and removing invasive species

Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church, \$75,005 to design a rain garden, conservation landscaping, and rain cisterns Fairwinds of Annapolis Condominium Council of Unit Owners, \$146,250 for a bioretention cell

Fishing Creek Farm HOA, \$80,000 to design a 540-If living shoreline

Friends of Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary, \$997 to upgrade a nature playspace

Gardens of Connection, \$2,646 for a sensory garden at the Brooklyn Park Public Library

Girl Scouts of Central Maryland, \$300,000 for shoreline restoration at Camp Whippoorwill

Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake (IPC), \$66,000 to help congregations plan green infrastructure projects

Kingsport Community Association, Inc., \$95,000 for a stream restoration project design

Local Concepts LLC, \$110,000 for partnerships between environmental and non-environmental organizations

Maryland Association of Floodplain and Stormwater Managers, \$500 for their annual conference

MD DNR Chesapeake and Coastal Service Unit, \$1,017 for environmental education events for the Spanishspeaking community

National Wildlife Federation, \$23,406 to expand communications work

National Wildlife Federation, \$30,000 for the Young Professionals of Color mentorship program

OpinionWorks LLC, \$75,000 to educate the public on SAV and contaminated fish consumption

Park Retreat Home Owners Association, \$1,327 to remove invasive species

Rev Samuel Green Sr Foundation, \$300,000 for community trees



The Baltimore Tree Trust connects residents to training and jobs in the urban forest industry through their Neighborhood Foresters Initiative.

Rev Samuel Green Sr Foundation, \$5,000 to remove invasive species

RR & Associates, \$3,500 to help firsttime grant applicants who need extra support

RR & Associates, \$22,000 to assist Trust grant applicants through our Diversity and Inclusion Initiative

Scenic Rivers Land Trust, Inc., \$280,110 to protect 34 acres of forest in Crownsville

Scenic Rivers Land Trust, Inc., \$246,055 to protect 38 acres of forest

Severn River Association, Inc., \$35,000 for four micro-bioretention facilities in Georgetown East

Smithsonian Institution, \$27,943 for a photography-based citizen science oyster restoration program

Spa Creek Conservancy (SCC), \$130,000 to design stormwater practices in Truxtun Cove

Summit School, Anne Arundel County, \$5,000 to restore an outdoor classroom for climate change education



The Ashland Community Development Corporation's gardens prove that simple, outdoor hydroponic systems can thrive in urban settings. ACDC uses these gardens to educate neighbors on gardening techniques and to compare water usage results against traditional raised bed gardening.



Tetra Tech, Inc. uses geospatial modeling to identify the most effective methods for protecting submerged aquatic vegetation habitats.

Tetra Tech, Inc., \$84,874 to identify protect mechanisms for submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV)

Tidewater Colony Open Space Association, \$2,500 to remove invasives and plant native plants

BALTIMORE CITY

Ashburton Area Association, \$14,245 to plant 72 trees

Ashland Community Development Corporation, \$1,459 for a hydroponic vegetable garden in east Baltimore

Baltimore Green Justice Workers Cooperative/Project Millions More Movement Baltimore, Inc., \$25,000 to support strategic planning and digital upgrades for its newly launched nonprofit

Baltimore Green Space, \$75,000 for forest restoration in northeast Baltimore

Baltimore Lab School, \$5,000 for 116 students to participate in a watershed investigation program

Baltimore Tree Trust, \$1,949,204 for 4,000 community trees

The Belair-Edison School Brendan Avenue (Afya Baltimore), \$4,953 for a student-led water quality monitoring project

Blue Water Baltimore, \$342,444 to plant 600 trees in four west Baltimore neighborhoods

Blue Water Baltimore, \$41,631 for 100 street trees in Oliver

Blue Water Baltimore, \$27,890 for aquatic bug hunts, watershed walk & talks, and community-led bacteria sampling

Blue Water Baltimore, \$80,000 for a stormwater project at the Har Sinai synagogue

Blue Water Baltimore, \$20,000 for their strategic plan

Bnos Yisroel of Baltimore, \$2,600 for an outdoor classroom and sensory garden

Bolton Street Synagogue, \$5,000 for a garden along the Stony Run tributary trail

Bon Secours Unity Properties, \$15,200 to plant 32 trees at parks in West Baltimore

Broadway East Community
Development Corporation, \$181,390
for planting 400 trees

Cathedral of the Incarnation, \$30,928 for two rain gardens

Cathedral of the Incarnation, \$28,100 for two bioretention gardens to manage stormwater

Civic Works, Inc., \$29,700 for a youth landscape training program

Druid Heights Community Development Corporation, \$29,530 to plant 50 trees

Environmental Justice Journalism Initiative, \$40,000 for engaging youth on environmental practices and careers

Environmental Justice Journalism Initiative, \$25,000 for board development, strategic planning and staff training

Filbert Street Garden, \$2,500 for agriculture classes and a native garden and bee yard

Gaiacene Services LLC, \$120,000 with CityScape Engineering and Straughan Environmental Services, for technical assistance for grant applicants

GeN'xt Ministries Inc, \$45,000 to design green infrastructure at Huber Memorial Church

Govans Presbyterian Church, \$59,655 for rain gardens, rain barrels, impervious pavers, and a cistern

Greater Baybrook Alliance, \$92,695 to plant 200 trees

Greater Remington Improvement Association, \$30,000 for an art installation that visualizes underground ghost rivers

Greater Remington Improvement Association, \$50,340 for green spaces and impermeable pavement removal

Homewood Friends Meeting, \$5,000 for a pollinator garden

Johns Hopkins Medicine - Bayview Community Psychiatry, \$4,997 for a therapeutic garden space

Lillie May Carroll Jackson School, \$18,500 for an educational arboretum and rain garden

Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education (MAEOE), \$50,000 to strengthen statewide environmental literacy networks and provide professional development for educators

Maryland Environmental Service, \$10,000 with the Maryland Port Administration, for South Baltimore youth to study bird use of restoration sites

MedStar Good Samaritan Hospital, \$4,964 for a green courtyard for staff and patients, emphasizing connection between health and the outdoors

Artist Bruce Willen explores an underground stream as he prepares for his Ghost Rivers tours, a multi-site public art installation and walking tour in partnership with the Greater Remington Improvement Association that rediscovers hidden rivers and streams below the streets of Baltimore.



Through the Maryland Environmental Service and the Maryland Port Administration, South Baltimore campers learn about ospreys and other local bird populations during a week-long immersive birding camp that included field trips, boating, and art activities.



MedStar Good Samaritan Hospital created a green courtyard for staff, patients, and visitors to relax and learn about the benefits of pollinator and native plants.



Midtown Community Benefits District, \$44,964 for 100 street trees

National Aquarium, \$1,250 for an urban wildlife observation competition

National Aquarium, \$8,000 for 1,000 students and 20 teachers to participate in environmental education activities

National Wildlife Federation, \$1,250 to inspire East Baltimore children through storytelling and tree planting

Patterson Park Audubon Center/ Audubon Mid-Atlantic, \$30,000 to engage Latino/a/x community members in the Bird Ambassador Program

The Pennsylvania State University, \$149,322 to study impacts of construction compaction on stormwater practice performance

Pride of Baltimore, Inc., \$5,000 for sailing trips for underserved Baltimore City residents

So What Else, inc, \$7,500 for a community garden in Carrollton Ridge

Solar Oysters LLC, \$9,760 to test an aquaculture cleaning technology to reduce biofouling

St. James Development Corporation, \$65,000 to remove 10,000 sf of impervious cover and build a park

St. Luke's Youth Center, \$22,510 to design two bioretention areas to treat 0.7 acres

University of Maryland Medical System, \$19,596 to plant 350 trees to foster the nature-human health connection

University of Maryland, Baltimore, \$39,289 for tree planting and educational sessions for K-12 students

Upton Planning Committee, \$192,420 *to plant 316 trees*

The Urban Oasis, **\$17,720** for a green space in the Panway community

Waterfront Partnership of Baltimore, Inc., \$10,000 for a volunteer program for oyster restoration

Wisdom Projects, Inc., \$6,000 for 12 field trips combining science and healing arts

BALTIMORE COUNTY

Al Rahmah School at Islamic Society of Baltimore, \$5,000 to integrate watershed education into their curriculum

Baltimore County Department of Environmental Protection & Sustainability, \$1,500,000 to plant 4,500 trees in underserved communities

Baltimore Green Justice Workers Cooperative/Project Millions More Movement Baltimore, Inc., \$22,000 to help historically underserved communities to access Trust resources

Black Girls Dive Foundation, Inc., \$4,200 for an underwater drone for a student-led oyster restoration project

Delaware Maryland Synod ELCA, \$4,859 to plant 15 trees on congregation grounds

Elevation Ministries, Inc., \$11,000 to find and help new Trust grant program applicants

Forever Maryland Foundation, \$200,844 to help environmental and public health nonprofits find common ground and joint projects

God's Outdoor Angels Foundation, \$5,000 for fishing and hunting trips for disabled veterans

Green Muslims, \$11,000 to find and help five new applicants to Trust grant programs

Gunpowder Valley Conservancy, \$74,050 for bioretention, rain barrels, and an outdoor learning area at Divinity Lutheran Church



Parishioners take solace in the rain gardens installed at the Towson Presbyterian Church's courtyard; gardens feature native plants and will improve stormwater management and attract pollinators.

Gunpowder Valley Conservancy, \$14,996 for a concept plan that integrates green infrastructure and nature-informed therapy

Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake (IPC), \$133,553 to plant 376 trees at 20 congregations

Islamic Society of Baltimore, \$150,000 to install permeable pavers, conservation landscaping, and micro-bioretention

Maryland Natural History Society, \$500 for a World Turtle Day event

Mount Olive United Methodist Church, \$30,175 to design a swale and two micro-bioretention facilities and remove 2,000 sf of impervious surface

The Nature Conservancy, \$42,382 for public artwork and native plantings at Turner Station

NeighborSpace of Baltimore County, Inc., \$8,594 to plant three trees

North Point State Park, Maryland Park Service, Department of Natural Resources, \$40,000 for a litter reduction campaign

Notre Dame of Maryland University, \$66,113 to evaluate K-12 environmental education practices



Students from the Al Rahmah School prepare to explore the water as part of their new environmental curriculum introducing the importance of watershed conservation.



Veterans install trellises for a hoop house over raised vegetable beds at the TALMAR Gardens & Horticultural Therapy Center. The Trust funded upgrades to make garden therapies more accessible to veterans with limited mobility and lung capacity.



Invasive snakehead and blue catfish are caught through an invasive species control program led by an expert team of Piscataway Canoy tribal citizens. The catch is donated and dispersed among elders and families with children in the tribal community.

Sisterhood Agenda Inc, \$4,210 for a community garden at a holistic housing development

St. Gabriel Catholic Church, \$74,067 for three micro-bioretention cells

TALMAR Gardens & Horticultural Therapy Center, \$5,000 for an agricultural work therapy program for veterans

Towson Presbyterian Church, \$74,417 for two rain gardens

CALVERT

American Chestnut Land Trust, \$1,500 to teach Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps members about land stewardship

American Chestnut Land Trust, \$1,222 to improve farming practices at Double Oak Farm

American Chestnut Land Trust, \$1,250 for invasives removal

CAROLINE

Adkins Arboretum, \$29,575 for three homeowners associations to implement greener landscape infrastructure

County Commissioners of Caroline County, \$83,550 for a wetlands treatment system

Town of Greensboro Greensboro Connects Initiative, \$3,300 for a community garden

ShoreRivers, \$100,000 to restore Poor House Run in Denton

CARROLL

Carroll Soil Conservation District, \$115,500 for stream and wetland restoration on a farm near Westminster

Clear Ridge Nursery, Inc., \$80,925 to grow trees for our Urban Trees Program

Schott Nurseries LLC, \$267,013 to grow trees for our Urban Trees Program



The Chinese American Parent Association of Howard County promotes awareness about the environmental-mental health connection by teaching youth how to garden, coordinating community clean-ups, and hosting vegetable and

fruit pick-ups for charities.

City of Taneytown, \$5,000 for a pollinator garden at Bollinger Park

CECIL

Nature Worx, Inc., \$4,920 for outdoor healing experiences for veterans

The Tome School, \$3,936 for 180 7th-12th graders to explore Radcliffe Creek and plant a 1,600 sf rain garden

CHARLES

Abby Farm, \$272,571 to grow trees for our Ürban Trees Program

Alice Ferguson Foundation, \$40,000 for field trips for 2,000 3rd graders

National Marine Sanctuary Foundation, \$7,489 to study flora and fauna inhabiting the ghost fleet at Mallows Bay

The Nature Conservancy, \$1,245 for indigenous land acknowledgment signs

Southern Maryland Sierra Club, \$1,123 for gardens that provide to local food pantries

Through Piscataway Eyes TPE Inc., **\$15,980** to remove 3,000 pounds of invasive fish annually while providing food to local tribes

University of Maryland, \$17,475 to educate 100 homeowners on rain garden best practices

University of Maryland College Park, \$18,362 to train landscape workers on winter salt application methods that best protect streams

DORCHESTER

ShoreRivers, \$26,210 to design bioretention areas at St. Mary's Refuge of Sinners

terraPulse, Inc., \$79,996 to identify potential restoration sites for black duck habitat

Wilderness Leadership & Learning, Inc. (WILL), \$7,500 for field trips over spring break for 30 youth



The Maryland Troopers Association planted pollinator gardens at the Bel Air State Police Barracks to manage stormwater and to encourage the growth of vital pollinator populations.

FREDERICK

City of Brunswick, \$10,500 to plant 50

Friends of Baker Park, Inc., \$1,010 for invasives removal

HARFORD

Chesapeake Therapeutic Riding, \$74,769 for a cistern, rain barrels, and outdoor classroom

Ecotone, LLC, \$65,000 to grow trees for our Urban Trees Program

Harford Land Trust, Inc., \$23,221 to teach landowners about pollinator habitats

Harford Soil Conservation District, \$100,300 for a stream restoration on a farm

Hickory Elementary School, \$1,092 for an outdoor classroom

Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake (IPC), \$27,474 for green team training for five congregations

Maryland Troopers Association, \$3,083 for 2 pollinator gardens at the Bel Air Barracks

HOWARD

Center for Watershed Protection, Inc., \$500 for the National Watershed and Stormwater Conference

Center for Watershed Protection, Inc., \$500 for the Agriculture and Sustainable Watersheds Symposium

Chinese American Parent Association of Howard County, \$4,979 to promote the environment-mental health connection

Clean Water Fund, \$17,193 for education on natural landscaping for septic systems

Council of Unit Owners of Shipley's **Grant Condominium**, \$4,330 for pollinator gardens



Pre-K children explore nature and learn about wildlife through Nature Forward's Play and Learn programs.



Howard County Conservancy, Inc., \$57,475 for a pond habitat at Mount Pleasant

Howard EcoWorks, \$73,736 to plant 500 fruit and nut trees

Howard EcoWorks, \$56,344 for conservation landscaping

Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc., \$30,000 to train 500 volunteers to measure potential stream impacts of winter deicing salts

University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, \$254,014 for a study on how many green practices need to exist in a watershed to improve water quality

KENT

ShoreRivers, \$110,000 to address runoff at a large spinach farm

ShoreRivers, \$70,580 to restore ravines at a public park near Turner's Creek

ShoreRivers, \$500 for a youth environmental summit with Washington College

ShoreRivers, \$752 to remove invasive water chestnut in Turner's Creek

ShoreRivers, \$1,176 to study bacterial patterns during tidal cycles to inform swim safety

Sultana Education Foundation, \$500 for an aquaculture and DEI lecture at the Downrigging Weekend

Washington College Center for Environment & Society, \$1,162 to host a World Migratory Bird Day event and achieve Maryland Bird Campus recognition



Anacostia Riverkeeper leads clean-up events to remove trash from streams that causes harm to wildlife and creates microplastics pollution.

MONTGOMERY

AfriThrive, \$25,000 to build a diversified funding program for longterm sustainability

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, \$185,110 to install permeable pavers at St. Catherine Labouré Catholic Church

Anacostia Riverkeeper, \$43,934 for litter cleanups

Anacostia Riverkeeper, \$40,000 for water quality education within the Latino/a/x community

Arts on the Block, **\$40,000** for students to develop an eco-friendly mosaic

Bethesda Green, \$7,000 for the 11th - 12th grader Environmental Leaders Program

Bethesda Green, \$30,000 to install five rain gardens

Centro de Apoyo Familiar, \$30,000 to empower youth in the environmental health movement

Church of the Ascension
Gaithersburg, \$5,000 for a pollinator
garden

Defensores de la Cuenca, \$50,000 for its Tree Ambassador program

IMAAM, Inc., \$4,935 for native plantings

Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake (IPC), \$18,326 for green team training for 10 congregants

Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake (IPC), \$26,326 to form green teams at five congregations

Islamic Community Center of Potomac, \$19,690 to inspire food waste reduction



Chesapeake Conservation Corps members remove invasive water chestnut from the Sassafras River on a service learning day facilitated by ShoreRivers and its Corps member.

The Izaak Walton League of America, \$29,994 to educate 700 Gaithersburg youth on the environmental risks of road salt

The Izaak Walton League of America, \$27,455 to engage business owners on better salting practices

The Izaak Walton League of America, \$37,957 to engage families in the Salt Watch program

Montgomery County Department of Transportation, \$362,740 for 1,200 street trees

Montgomery County Maryland Department of Environmental Protection, \$135,970 to plant 250 trees at police stations, libraries, and other public spaces

Nature Forward, \$7,000 for Pre-K Play and Learn programs

Nature Forward, \$29,413 for 10 handson water quality learning stations

Nature Forward, \$38,965 to educate Maryland park visitors on stream health

Nature Forward, \$3,725 for a wheelchair-accessible sensory garden

Nature Forward, \$25,808 to assess program accessibility for people with disabilities

Nature Forward, \$1,250 to restore trailheads for self-guided tours at Woodend Sanctuary

Postsecondary Strategy Solutions, \$5,055 for Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps member financial literacy coaching

Potomac Conservancy, \$86,000 to design stormwater practices for the Inverness community

Potomac Conservancy, \$43,341 for community clean-ups and seed collections

Potomac Riverkeeper Network, \$21,000 to equip Latino/a/x volunteers to monitor water quality

Quail Valley Homeowners Association, \$4,579 for a community tree planting event

Saint Camillus Catholic Church, \$4,985 for native plantings

The Springwell School, Inc., \$5,000 for an outdoor classroom and irrigation system to learn about sustainable farming

Unitarian Universalist Church of Silver Spring, \$4,840 to remove invasive species

University of Maryland, \$29,999 for sustainability plans at three HOAs

University of Maryland College Park, \$29,615 to develop a Stormwater Master Plan at a Gaithersburg condominium

Viers Mills Elementary School, \$5,000 for students to investigate water quality in the Accokeek River

Vietnamese American Services, \$69,500 for a rain garden and environmental literacy program

Vietnamese American Services, \$25,000 to enhance office operations, staff skills, fundraising, and technology

Warrior Canine Connection, \$4,977 for an outdoor wellness event for veterans and their service dogs

PRINCE GEORGE'S

Alice Ferguson Foundation, \$45,000 for community cleanup events

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, \$490,464 to create a Green Team, increase engagement in the Rain Check program, and install 400 stormwater practices

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, \$25,000 to engage 120 volunteers to install a native meadow and pollinator garden at Bowie State University

Anacostia Riverkeeper, \$28,135 to engage volunteer water quality monitors

Anacostia Watershed Society, \$40,000 to engage students in mussel restoration

C.A. Lester and Associates, \$8,000 for a Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice training

50 veterans and their canine companions navigate an outdoor obstacle course at the 2023 Warrior Canine Connection Ruff Mudder, an outdoor wellness event.



Residents of the Town of Edmonston proudly come together to plant rain gardens on the region's fourth industrial Green Street.

Central Kenilworth Avenue Revitalization Community Development Corporation, Inc., \$193,713 to plant 300 trees in East Riverdale and Bladensburg

Central Kenilworth Avenue Revitalization Community Development Corporation, Inc., \$30,000 to enhance board governance, operations, and fundraising

Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Inc., \$1,202 to enhance their regenerative agriculture farm

Chesapeake Natives Inc., \$30,000 for a climate-controlled greenhouse

Town of Colmar Manor, \$80,450 for a green street

Cottage City, \$22,555 to plant 33 trees

Dance Exchange, \$120,000 for arts-integrated environmental education curriculum

Defensores de la Cuenca, \$160,028 for community tree planting and job training

Town of Eagle Harbor Inc., \$10,018 for six hybrid workshops on managing stormwater and reducing pollution

ECO City Farms, \$134,888 for an urban farm incubator

ECO City Farms, \$1,250 for a community composting program



A Thrive Outside program mentor teaches a high school student how to fish as part of a 6-week program that encourages time spent outdoors. The initiative builds and strengthens the Anacostia Park and Community Collaborative (APACC) network and provides children and families with educational and fun experiences outdoors.

EcoLatinos, Inc., \$40,612 for a bioswale at St. Mary's Catholic School

Ecolatinos, Inc., \$41,817 to install rain barrels and engage residents on stormwater practices

EcoLatinos, Inc., \$25,000 to enhance staff leadership, technical capacity, and outreach

Town of Edmonston, \$179,360 for an industrial green street

End Time Harvest Ministries, \$1,000 for a graduation scholarship banquet

Friends of Anacostia Park, \$50,000 to engage 25 high schoolers on the value of the outdoors through a six-weeklong after school program

Global Health and Education Projects, Inc., \$143,699 to plant 305 trees and engage 10,000 residents

Global Health and Education Projects, Inc., \$50,000 to engage 6,000 residents through tree planting

Green Landing Nursery, LLC, \$175,110 to grow trees for our Urban Trees Program

Greenbelt Homes, Inc., \$4,041 for conservation landscaping



Housing Options & Planning Enterprises, Inc., \$20,000 to improve health in low-income communities by expanding community housing and access to safe drinking water

City of Hyattsville, \$32,172 for education on invasive vine removal

Islamic Community Center of Laurel, \$4,734 for a pollinator garden

Joe's Movement Emporium/World Arts Focus, \$57,000 for trees and a youth workforce program

LimnoTech, \$62,750 to help new applicants to Trust programs design projects

The Low Impact Development Center, Inc., \$490,464 to show private property owners how to use stormwater practices to reduce flooding

Neighborhood Design Center, \$37,912 to address stormwater runoff at a New Carrollton condominium

City of New Carrollton, \$51,875 for 100 street trees

Patuxent Triangle HOA, \$5,000 for a swale and tree planting project

The Pennsylvania State University, \$313,194 to study recovery of biodiversity in stream restorations to help inform future design

Prince George's County Department of Public Works & Transportation, \$1,000,000 for 4,000 trees in underserved communities

Prince George's County Government, \$150,000 for stormwater practices to address flooding in Glendale Heights

Prince George's County, \$300,000 for 2,000 trees in underserved communities

Town of Riverdale Park, \$41,875 for a volunteer-led green space project

Smithsonian Institution/Smithsonian Affiliations, \$7,500 for a teen Earth Optimism club

St. Mark's United Methodist Church, \$4,640 to educate congregants on the human health-environment connection

University Christian Church, \$50,000 for permeable pavers and native trees

University of Maryland, \$1,210 to teach communities about sustainable wastewater treatment

University of Maryland College Park, \$110,000 to develop the Climate Wise Academy, a group of residents that will implement climate-related projects

The Cumulative Impact of Our

This map (interactive at the QR code below) shows awarded projects over time and the cumulative impact of the Chesapeake Bay Trust, our funding partners, and the thousands of project leaders we have empowered.

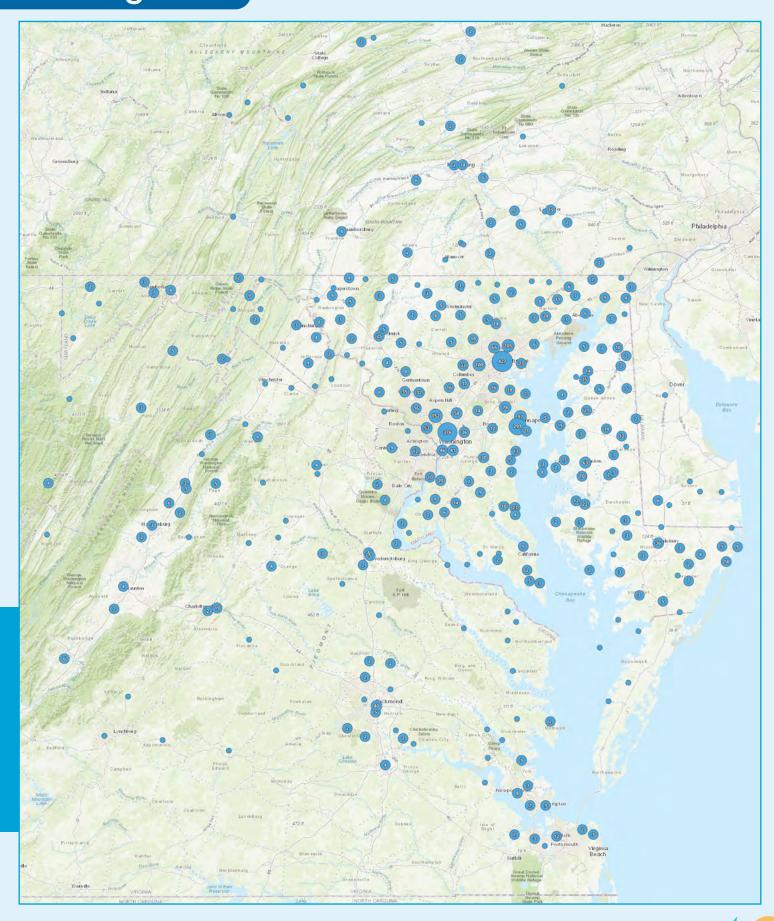
Each of the map's dots represents an individual project, each passionately led by groups of residents, homeowners, teachers, scouts, faith-based institutions, neighborhood groups, local governments or other project leaders and each supported by the Chesapeake Bay Trust. For every dot, more leaders exist who are ready to initiate projects to improve our communities and natural resources – in your neighborhood and in thousands of others. Governments can do a lot, but some work is best led by people on-the-ground. Imagine the results when we shift to harnessing even more of the power and potential of individuals and communities. That's the vision of the Chesapeake Bay Trust: the ripple effect of each project on this map.

Our map is interactive!

Visit https://cbtrust.org/impact-of-our-work/
or take a photo of the QR code to explore
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neighborhood, or by project outcome to find
our shared impact on environmental education,
climate change, tree planting, and more.



Work Together









Volunteers use water quality monitoring kits provided by St. Mary's River Watershed Association to support oyster restoration on St. Mary's River.

QUEEN ANNE'S

Captains Houses Owners Association, \$3,740 for conservation landscaping and signage

Orchard Point Oyster Co., \$10,000 to help combat the oyster reef substrate shortage by creating a synthetic oyster shell

Symphony Village at Centreville HOA, \$3,828 for a pollinator garden

SAINT MARY'S

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, \$70,000 for a 3,000-If living shoreline in Lexington Park

Dr. James A. Forrest Career and Technology Center, \$4,995 for 223 10-12th graders to study water quality

MedStar St. Mary's Hospital, \$14,744 for an accessible green space for patients and nursing staff

St. Mary's River Watershed
Association, \$10,000 for water quality
monitoring kits to support oyster
restoration

TALBOT

Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, \$50,000 for a living shoreline, marsh restoration, and oyster reef habitat

Phillips Wharf Environmental Center, \$8,060 for a volunteer oyster monitoring program

ShoreRivers, \$10,000 to encourage waterfront residents to grow oysters

ShoreRivers, \$40,000 for an environmental literacy leadership network

ShoreRivers, \$22,000 to build a network of environmental justice organizations

ShoreRivers, \$120,000 to help new applicants to Trust programs with technical aspects of proposals

The Town of Keedysville's Green Team empowers residents to "go green" and take meaningful stewardship actions with a rain barrel and compost bin program.

ShoreRivers, \$47,706 for pollinatorfriendly meadows in Preston, Oxford, and Chestertown

ShoreRivers, \$22,438 for a strategic plan and leadership training

WASHINGTON

Antietam Creek Watershed Alliance (ACWA), \$89,754 to plant 205 trees

Town of Boonsboro, \$2,264 to plant 200 trees

Camp Ritchie Museum, Inc., \$5,000 for an outdoor reflection space

Canaan Valley Institute, \$16,800 to provide support for individuals to update septic systems

City of Hagerstown, \$66,619 to plant 175 street trees

Town of Keedysville, \$4,982 to launch a resident rain barrel and compost bin program

WICOMICO

Lower Shore Land Trust, \$58,818 to install pollinator gardens and host rain garden workshops at congregations in Salisbury

Lower Shore Land Trust, \$1,250 for Salisbury University students to implement a bioremediation project at the Blind Industries & Services of Maryland

Preservation Trust of Wicomico, Inc, \$4,105 to expand the nature trail at the Buffalo Soldier Living History Site

Salisbury University, \$18,394 for a student-led radio program on restoration

Salisbury University, \$13,188 for a podcast to highlight eight Chesapeake Bay Trust-funded restoration projects

Salisbury University's Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement, \$4,998 to remove over 16,000 sf of impervious surface at Blind Industries and Services of Maryland

Congregants of University Christian Church in Hyattsville installed rain gardens, planted native trees, and replaced impervious parking surface to reduce flooding on their hillside and neighborhood sidewalks. Their stormwater management project will increase filtration and reduce sediment flow into Wells Run, a tributary of the Anacostia River.

University of Maryland College Park, \$24,802 for education on septic system maintenance

Ward Foundation, \$4,382 for 1,500 students to investigate the impacts of human activity on the Wicomico River ecosystem

WORCESTER

Town of Berlin, \$22,000 to design stormwater management facilities

Lower Shore Land Trust, \$1,248 for a World Bee Day event at the Assateague State Park pollinator garden

Maryland Coastal Bays Program, \$5,000 for environmental literacy professional development for 15 teachers

DELAWARE

Delaware Association for Environmental Education, \$50,000 for a state-wide environmental literacy network and increasing outdoor learning opportunities

Delaware Center for the Inland Bays, \$54,693 to study a new reforestation technique that will lead to faster recovery

The Delmarva Community Wellnet Foundation; EDEN Project, \$7,500 for a greenhouse and planting shade trees at Longneck Elementary

The SNAC Garden Foundation formerly known as The Delmarva Community Wellnet Foundation,

\$6,000 for a wheelchair-accessible outdoor classroom at the Howard T. Ennis School

University of Delaware, \$214,838 to study soil health after stream restoration projects to help inform design







A happy student from the Howard T. Ennis School proudly shows off his dirty hands as he and his classmates explore the school's wheelchair accessible sensory garden. Established in partnership with The SNAC Garden Foundation, the school's outdoor classroom encourages stewardship in its neurodiverse students and children with special needs.

PENNSYLVANIA

Amethyst Foundation, Inc., \$25,000 for greening and accessibility improvements to their retreat center

Capital Area Greenbelt Association, \$45,500 to restore a nature trail in Harrisburg

Catfish for Heroes, \$4,948 to expand fishing trips for veterans

Citizens For Pennsylvania's Future, \$25,000 for a strategic plan

Conservation Foundation of Lancaster County, \$122,076 to implement a clean water financial plan and expand the agriculture outreach team

Harrisburg Redevelopment Authority, \$36,893 for community gardens and green stormwater infrastructure

Lacawac Sanctuary, \$4,942 for 375 students to investigate water quality

Let's Go 1-2-3, \$10,000 to enhance environmental problem solving for 250 6th graders through community partnerships

National Wildlife Federation, \$500 for the 2023 Choose Clean Water Coalition Conference

Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy, \$5,350 for Board member fundraising capacity building

Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit 19, \$50,000 to create a state-wide network to share environmental literacy curricula

Oxford Borough, \$22,000 to design a stormwater management project

Stroud Water Research Center, Inc., \$54,944 to study the effectiveness of stream restoration strategies to inform future design

Catfish for Heroes demonstrates the healing power of nature and community as it provides fishing trips for veterans in the lower Susquehanna River and Chesapeake Bay.

Trout Unlimited - National, \$80,000 to develop brook trout restoration goal reporting metrics

Watershed Alliance of York (WAY), Inc., \$20,000 for updating their bylaws for future growth

VIRGINIA

Accomack-Northampton Planning
District Commission, \$10,000 to create
a synthetic reef habitat to enhance
biodiversity

Allegheny-Blue Ridge Alliance, \$25,000 to expand their capacity for GIS mapping

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, \$15,000 for accessible green space at the Amelia Street School for students with special needs

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, \$60,000 for green infrastructure improvements at a playground in Richmond

Alliance for the Shenandoah Valley, \$200,000 to build a network focused on public health, clean water, and quality of life goals

Annapolis Aquaculture, \$10,000 to test equipment for bottom cage oyster growth

Town of Ashland, \$104,120 to construct a 1,150 If grass channel to treat stormwater runoff

Barretts Neck Seafood LLC, \$10,000 for an outdoor classroom focused on oyster restoration

Blue Sky Fund, \$5,000 for 4th grade students at 12 elementary schools to investigate water quality issues

Town of Bridgewater, \$127,079 for a public permeable pavement parking lot

Chesapeake Environmental
Communications, \$89,974 to conduct
research on communities vulnerable
to degradation to inform future
communications campaigns and
restoration efforts

A World Bee Day event at Assateague State Park's abundant pollinator gardens educated families on these unique habitats and how they encourage lesser-known pollinators to visit the region.

Crow's Nest Research Center, \$5,000For environmental literacy professional development for 15 K-12 teachers

Elk Hill Farm, Inc., \$5,000 for 120 6-12th graders to learn about the James River watershed

Friends of the Rappahannock, \$3,438 to implement new curriculum on oyster restoration

Friends of the Rappahannock, \$14,281 for a software system to improve volunteer and event management

James River Association, \$5,000 for 85 4th graders at three schools to study stream health

James River Association, \$5,000 for 150 students to study indicator species at Chippokes State Park

Jones Gardens, \$15,273 to expand a community garden in Staunton

Local Concepts LLC, \$65,000 to support networks of organizations collaborating on Chesapeake Bay Agreement goals

Long Creek Oyster Company LLC, \$10,000 for an oyster sorter

Maymont Foundation, \$5,000 for professional development for 25 elementary school teachers

Petersburg City Public Schools, \$5,000 for 120 5th graders to explore Presquile National Wildlife Refuge

Portsmouth Public Schools, \$10,000 for an oyster-focused K-12 education program to serve 100 students

Rivanna Conservation Alliance,

\$4,997 for 200 6th graders to study stream health and remove invasives

The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club, \$8,815 for a week-long outdoor environmental camp for 12 youth

Shored Up LLC, \$9,999 for kayak tours and events that showcase the benefits of oysters to the public



An employee from B. Lin Catering shows off a new dishwasher purchased to help the company "ditch the disposables" and lead the industry toward more sustainable catering practices.

STARBASE Victory Inc, \$5,000 for 24 students to study the effects of microplastics

Sustainability Matters, \$5,000 for a career mentorship program for 60 high school girls

Sustainability Matters, \$50,000 for a pollinator meadow in Winchester

Village School, \$3,490 to teach 80 students about regenerative agriculture

Virginia Association for Environmental Education, \$7,000 for a food and pollinator garden at Petersburg Public Schools

Virginia Association for Environmental Education, \$50,000 to identify statewide environmental literacy goals

Virginia Association for Environmental Education, \$15,000 to build its capacity for fundraising and outreach

Virginia Community Voice, \$30,000 for urban agriculture practices at a community center

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, \$25,000 to help small-scale farmers and landowners improve soil health and water quality

WASHINGTON, D.C.

After-School All-Stars DC, \$35,000 for 50 middle schoolers to undertake environmental justice projects

Akiima Price Consulting, \$97,000 to engage Ward 7 & 8 families in outdoor activities

Alice Ferguson Foundation, \$9,838 to expand hands-on watershed curriculum in DC middle and high schools

Anacostia Watershed Society, \$7,000 for 40 youth to learn about the health, history, and ecology of the Anacostia Watershed

Anacostia Watershed Society, \$34,000 to engage 300 DC students in mussel restoration

Anacostia Watershed Society, \$5,000 for 757 4th graders in five schools to learn about DC's official state fish, the American Shad

Axis bar and grill Ilc DBA Sudhouse, \$25,000 for a dishwasher and reusable foodware to reduce waste

B.Lin Catering, \$11,000 for reusable foodware for catering events to reduce waste

Blackland Farms, \$14,964 to educate community members in Ward 5 about urban agriculture

Bridges Public Charter School, \$7,000 for a schoolyard native meadow habitat

Bridges Public Charter School, \$5,216 to expand their pollinator habitat

Building Bridges Across the River, \$14,320 to expand THEARC Farm and its farmers' market for underserved families

Capital Rowing Club, \$34,677 for an accessible rowing program and river restoration workshops

Casey Trees, \$9,999 to expand environmental education programs in DC Public Schools

Center for Innovation, Research and Transformation in Education, \$74,995 for an assessment of the green career landscape

Clean Water Fund, \$200,000 to connect Ward 7 and 8 residents to the Anacostia River and its parks

Common Good City Farm, \$10,000 for workshops on waste reduction

Common Good City Farm, \$10,000 for six workshops on food preservation and mending clothes to reduce waste

Community Forklift, \$10,000 to encourage building material reuse

Community Forklift, \$10,000 to promote their "HELPing Communities through Reuse" program

Students investigate the effects of microplastics in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed and mitigation strategies through a STEM summer camp with STARBASE Victory Inc. **Dreaming Out Loud Inc., \$14,814** to combat food insecurity and build urban agriculture capacity in Wards 7 and 8

Food Rescue US, \$7,500 for 100 volunteers to fight food insecurity and eliminate waste

The Fresh Food Factory Market,

\$10,000 to implement waste management strategies for its retail incubator market

The Fresh Food Factory Market,

\$25,000 to expand operations for greater food access

Friends of Anacostia Park, \$35,000 for resident-led park restoration efforts

Friends of Anacostia Park, \$99,500 for a trauma-informed intergenerational outdoor engagement pilot program for Wards 7 and 8 residents

Friends of Shepherd Park DC, \$7,000 to expand nature-based learning for Ward 8 students and families

Gallaudet University, \$50,000 for an urban farm and agricultural training

Students install a food and pollinator garden at Lakemont Elementary School in Petersburg as a part of the Virginia Association of Environmental Education's plans to bolster civic engagement and leadership skills.





The George Washington University Office of Sustainability, \$5,000 to launch a reuse market on campus

The Green Scheme, \$32,028 to train community leaders as water quality monitors and stewardship ambassadors

Homes for Hope Inc, \$30,276 for a 4-month water conservation education program

Live It Learn It, \$5,000 for 100 Title I 3rd graders to investigate the Anacostia River

Love & Carrots, \$23,500 to install edible gardens in Wards 4, 5, 7, and 8

Mamie D. Lee Garden Association, \$49,949 to enrich historical community gardens in Fort Totten

Masenphil IIc, \$23,169 to pilot reusable cups at a coffeehouse to reduce waste

Metropolitan AME Church, \$24,945 for a dishwasher and reusable foodware program to reduce waste

My Seniors Keeper Foundation, Inc, \$30,000 for training returning citizens, seniors, and veterans to design and install green infrastructure projects

OCNC, INC, \$25,000 for reusable foodware to reduce waste

The Outrage, \$10,000 to encourage upcycling through donation collections and clothing swaps

Payne Elementary School PTSA, \$5,000 for 300 elementary schoolers to explore natural resources and climate issues

Payne Elementary School PTSA,

\$50,000 to install pollinators, trees, and stormwater management practices

Qualia Pictures, \$54,000 for video storytelling about food waste reduction and reuse

RASA, \$14,729 for reusable foodware at a restaurant to reduce waste

Right Directions, \$30,000 for youth-led water restoration seminars and clean ups

The Salvation Army National Capital Area Command, \$10,000 for a walk-in refrigerator to divert food from the waste stream to residents in need

Sean's Veggie Garden, \$23,500 to help Ward 4 residents plant edible gardens

Sojourner Truth Public Charter School, \$8,000 for an all-weather outdoor classroom

Swap Universe, \$7,174 to host community clothing swaps for youth

Three Part Harmony Farm, \$14,581 for a greenhouse to grow salad greens

To Go Green, \$25,000 to help restaurants expand reusable foodware container use

Up Top Acres, \$7,401 for an e-bike to increase produce distribution in Wards 5, 7, and 8

Urban Learning and Teaching Center, \$25,000 to engage 60 middle schoolers in creative writing and watershed investigation projects

Urban Learning and Teaching Center, \$8,500 for a field experience at the National Arboretum for 75 students

Ward 8 Woods Conservancy, \$34,755 for a green jobs program in Anacostia Park

WEST VIRGINIA

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, \$5,000 for its Chesapeake Watershed Forum

Town of Bath, \$55,440 to revitalize an abandoned rail yard into a community green space



An urban farmer proudly presents his recent vegetable harvest. The Dreaming Out Loud urban farm and food hub engages Wards 7 and 8 residents in hands-on farming to eliminate food deserts and provide fresh fruits and vegetables to neighbors.

City of Charles Town, \$172,445 for green stormwater infrastructure to combat flooding

The Charles Town General Hospital dba Jefferson Medical Center,

\$30,000 for a green campus concept plan to mitigate flooding and improve the health of patients and staff

Experience Learning, \$5,000 for a professional development workshop for 24 K-12 educators



Above: Ward 7 and 8 residents lead restoration efforts at Anacostia Park through The Friends Corps RSTOR Initiative, a community-led watershed rehabilitation program that focuses on trash removal, invasives eradication, and tree planting.

Left. District residents learn sewing and canning techniques through Common Good City Farm's workshop series aimed at reducing waste. Participants honed skills in upcycling and mending clothing as well as pickling vegetables and producing jams.



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Experience Learning, \$10,000 for leadership training to expand environmental literacy in schools

Impact by Design, \$5,550 for a workshop at the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Literacy Forum

Potomac Valley Audubon Society, \$5,000 for an outdoor classroom in Jefferson County

Corporation of Shepherdstown,

\$22,500 for a green infrastructure concept plan to manage stormwater at St. Agnes Catholic Church

Town of Romney, \$28,250 for designs to install swales, planter boxes, and trees on South Marsham Street

Town of Romney, \$43,886 for 65 street trees

West Virginia Rivers Coalition, \$12,000 to strengthen itself by developing a fundraising strategy

River Network, \$3,000 for a professional development training for 33 Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps members





CHESAPEAKE CONSERVATION CORPS

The Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps provides early career development and green jobs training for a cohort of young people as they tackle important environmental, agricultural, climate and energy projects. This year, 33 Corps members were placed with government and nonprofit host organizations for one-year terms of service, to gain valuable green career skills and experiences. They join nearly 400 Corps alumni as environmental leaders throughout the Chesapeake watershed and beyond.

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Throughout the year, Corps members came together monthly for training programs facilitated by the Trust, group service projects, and peer-topeer networking visits to one another's host sites.

LOOKING AHEAD: An additional investment from the State of Maryland through the Climate **Solutions Now Act of 2022** has expanded the Corps to increase the cohort size, boost the stipend for members, and expand the program's scope to cover a wider range of climate topics.



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