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BMP	State Conservation Commission-Dirt and Gravel Roads Maintance	Available to local municipalities and state agencies on projects dealing with the bmp's for erosion and sedimentation control problems and fugitive dust in watersheds, dirt and gravel road jurisdiction required.
Community	Pittsburgh Foundation	Economic, community development and the environment. Activities that increase employment, build strong neighborhoods, and promote civic engagement by all segments of the population. Funds for Quality of Life.
Energy	DEP - Alternative Fuels	The Alternative Fuels Incentive Grants program continues to fund a considerable number of projects that use alternative fueled energy sources to reduce air pollution and our dependence on foreign oil. Alternative fuels include: compressed natural gas
Environmental	Beldon II Fund	Support environmental organizations working at the state level. Some grants are made to regional and national organizations for efforts that support the work of state level groups.
	Ben & Jerry's Foundation	Grant applications need to demonstrate that the project will lead to environmental change, address the root causes of environmental problems and must help ameliorate an unjust or destructive situation by empowering constituents, facilitate leadership.
	Eddie Bauer	Fund projects in certain local areas that support environmental goals such as clean rivers and streams or beautifying parks and school grounds. Must be 501C3 and porposal should be kept between 2-3 pages.
	Howard Heinz Endowment	This program promotes environmental quality and sustainable development by supporting efforts to eliminate waste, harness the power of the market, and create a restorative economy. Should Promote sustainable urban design. Concentrated in Western PA.
	Raymond Proffitt Foundation	The foundations purpose is to protect and restore the quality of the natureal and human environment by informing and educating the general public of the impact of human endeavors upon the natural environment. The RPF strives to advance this understanding.
	Surdna Foundation	Our goal is to prevent damage to the environment and to promote more efficient, economically sound, environmentally beneficial and equitable use of land and natural resources. Does not fund env education, sustainable ag, food production, toxics and hazardous waste.
	Vira I Heinz Endowment	This program promotes environmental quality and sustainable development by supporting efforts to eliminate waste, harness the power of the market, and create a restorative economy. The program's goals is to promote sustainable urban desig. Western PA watersheds only
Environmental / water	EPA-Clean Water State Revolving Fund	May also contact: Beverly Reinhold, (717) 783-6589. Intrastructure Investment Authority, Keystone Building 22 South Third Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101 email: breinhold@state.pa.us or Peter Slack, (717) 772-4054; DEP 400 Market

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WREN - Conference/Training Scholarships	The activities funded must be educational and relate to drinking water source protection or watershed education. Applicant is required to provide a 5% match.
River Network Watershed Assistance Grants	Watershed projects and group start-ups
W. PA Watershed Protection Program Howard Heinz	Provides funding to grassroots organizations and watershed associations for specific watershed remediation in Western Pennsylvania. Select Western Pa Watersheds only.

Environmental Education

Captain Planet	Supports hands on environmental projects for children and youth to encourage innovative programs that empower children and youth around the world to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems. Only for env education of children. Online only.
DEP Environmental Education Grants	Open to schools, conservation districts, and non-profits. Open in summer, awarded in Spring. Final applications are due December 4. Application available on-line. Requires 20% match and reimbursement program.
Education Mini Projects Program	Small grants for PA-based grassroots educational projects that address nonpoint source watershed concepts.
Emerson Charitable Trust	With a strong emphasis on cultural aspects and youth education. Science, Education.
EPA Environmental Education Grants Region III	Grants awarded to small nonprofit groups for various projects in Region III.
National Environmental Education and Training Foundation	To increase environmental awareness, environmental education, partnerships etc. May also be reached at (202) 261-6464. Proposal deadlines: Jan 1, March 1, July 15 and Sept 1
PACD - Mini Projects	The objectives of your Educational Mini-Project must promote the We All Live Downstream message by: stimulating an awareness of and interest in Pennsylvania's nonpoint source water pollution problems and solutions; salaries are not an approved expenditure.
Project Wild	Project Wild is an interdisciplinary supplementary environmental and conservation program for educators of children K-12. Small grants only.
The Dunn Foundation	Promote the issues of the negative effect that sprawl, visual pollution, and poorly planned development have on the visual environment of communities and the resulting loss of quality of life. Encourage dialogue within and between communities. Do not fund property acquisition, capital improvement projects, capital campaigns, endowments, individuals, religious groups or political organizations.
The Pathways to Nature Conservation Fund - NFWF	Is a partnership between the more than 270 Wild Birds Unlimited, Inc. franchises and the NFWF. The Pathways to Nature Conservation Fund offers grants to enhance environmental education activities and bird and wildlife viewing opportunities at significant sites.
Water Resources Education Network - LWV	Funding to develop education programs for water issues facing communities. Local contact is shrenehess@yourinter.net, Indiana PA, 724-465-2595. Must be 501C3
WREN - Opportunity Grants	The activities funded must be educational and relate to drinking water source protection or watershed education.

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Environmental Justice

EPA-Environmental Justice Small Grant Program	Provide financial assistance to community groups and federally recognized tribal governments that are working on projects to address env justice issues. Env justice refers to the fair treatment. Fish consumption, water-quality environmental justice and innovative technologies.
Nathan Cummings Foundation	To facilitate env justice and environmentally sustainable communities by supporting the accountability of corporations, governments, and other institutions for their environmental practices. Don't fund individuals, scholarships, captial or endowment campaigns.
Norman Foundation	Support efforts that strengthen the ability of communities to determine their own economic, environmental and social well-being, and that help people control those forces that affect their lives. Only fund in US. They do not fund individuals, universities, conferences, scholarships, research, films, media, arts projects, capital campaigns, fundraising drives, direct social service programs .

Environmental Planning

Coldwater Heritage Partnership	Grants for prioritizing watershed in need of protection , for assessment of coldwater ecosystems and for the development of watershed conservation plans.
DEP Nonpoint Source Control	Grants for planning and nonpoint source pollution control projects.
DCNR - River Grants	Available to organizations that conserve and enhance river resources. Planning grants are available to identify significant natural and cultural resources, threats, concerns and special opportunities and th develop river conservation plans. Grants requires 50% match
NRCS Watershed Surveys and Planning	Providing assistance for planning in water and coordinated water and related land resource programs in watersheds and river basins. Types of surveys and plans include watershed plans, river basin surveys and studies, flood hazard analyses, and flood plain.

Flood Protection

DEP Flood Protection Grant Program	Open to communities that need to preform non routine maintence or improvements to already existing flood protection projects. Also applies to the purchase of specialized equiptment. communities that have flood protection projects that are deemed operable.
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General

Archer-Daniels-Midland Foundation	Proposals can be sent in letter form containing: 1)Description of the organization applying. 2) Description of the project/What funding would be used for. 3) A budget including how much going to administrative cost. emphasis is given to corporate operating locations.
Audrey Hillman Fisher Foundation, Inc.	No specification given but see Application Procedures for more information. Preference given to Southwestern PA and Central New Hampshire.
Circuit City Foundation	
Dylan Todd Simonds Foundation, Inc.	
Eureka Company	No specific interest, but, general focus is on social services, health, and the environment (wildlife, fisheries, habitat, and sustainable community development)
Henry Hillman Foundation	Preference is given to organization is the Pittsburgh/Southwestern PA area.
Jain Foundation	

Joyce Mertz-Gilmore Foundation	
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Patagonia Inc. Environmental Grants Program	Supports small grass-root organizations. Does not fund land acquisition.
Pattee Foundation	
The Boeing Company	We provide contributions for: Capital campaigns. Seed money (one-time grants) for new programs or projects that address community needs and priorities. One-time grants to buy equipment, improve facilities, or enable special projects.
The Education Foundation for America	EFA's priorities include supporting the monitoring of the utility restructuring process as it impacts the environment, combating the growth of the "wise-use" movement, opposing large-scale live-stock confinement, and cutting federal "pollution." Letter limited to 2pgs
The Prospect Hill Foundation	Letter- max 3 pgs. The foundation's environmental grant making concentrates on habitat and water protection in the northeastern region of the United States. Must have 501©3. The organization doesn't fund individuals, basic research, sectarian religious activities or organizations that lack tax exemption under US Law
Ungar Foundation	

GIS

DEP-GIS Software Grant	The grants consist of the latest commercial release of ArcView GIS software; several texts on utilizing GIS for environmental applications and land-use planning; CD-ROMS containing spatial data about the Commonwealth . Only issue 10 per quarter.
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Habitat

General Challenge Grant Program -NFWF	Requires non federal match of 2:1. Address actions promoting fish and wildlife conservation and habitat; should involve conservation and community interest; leverage available funding and evaluate project outcomes.
Keep the Wild Alive's Species Recovery Fund	Fund on the ground projects that directly improve conditions for the endangered species highlighted in the KWA campaign. Current National Wildlife Federation employees are ineligible and applications must be submitted in english.
Small Grants Program - NFWF	Address priority actions promoting fish and wildlife conservation and the habitats on which they depend; work proactively to involve other conservation and community interest; leverage available funding, and evaluate project outcomes. A match of non-federal funds is required on a 2:1 ratio.

Internship

OSM Intern Program	Canidates must organize their work, work well with community groups and on their own, quickly internalize the requirements of acid mine drainage remediation and the national Clean Streams program, write well and enjoy public presentations. Academic credit. Can be undergrad or grad student. Positions available in AL, IL, IN, IA, KY, MD, MS, OH, OK, PA, TN, VI, WV. Must provide housing for interns.
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Land Protection

DCNR - Land Trust Grants	Provide funding for acquisition and planning of open space and natural areas which face imminent loss. Lands must be open to public use and priority is given to habitat for threatened species. Eligible applicants are nonprofit land trusts and 501C3. requires 50% match.
Lowes Charitable Foundation	Environmental initiatives that support the continued enhancement of the natural landscape. Natural Environment Enhancers, Park Improvement Projects. Must Apply on-line. Must be 501C3.
Michael D. Ferguson Charitable Foundation	General environment, wildlife, fisheries, habitat, sustainable community and development.
Nationals Parks Service - Land & Water Cons. Fund	Provide federal grants for land acquisition and conservation to federal and state agencies.
The Wilderness Society	To preserve wilderness and wildlife, protect Americas prime forest, parks, rivers, and shore lands; and foster an American land ethic., Alternate Address Montana Regional Office, 105 West Main St Suite E Bozeman, MT 59715-4689
Town Creek Foundation	Environmental issues of interest to the Foundation include: 1) preserving the ecological richness of our natural heritage, with a major focus on our federal public lands. 2) promoting policies and practices to protect the land, estuaries and coastal bays

Loan

Environmental Loan Fund	The loan can be used for membership development, creating and implementing a workplace giving program, cause-related marketing, donor development, special events, direct mail campaigns, mission related business enterprises, capital campaign work .
Pennsylvania Infastructure Investment Authority Drinking Water Loans	Must show water quality impact, must have qualitifed loan canidate. Loans to stornwater projects and non point source projects. 1-2.8% over 20 years

Multiple

Acorn Foundation	Interested in small and innovative community-based projects which: Preserve and restore habitats supporting biological diversity and wildlife; Advocate for environmental justice. Does not fund the following: direct services, capital expenditure, construction or renovation programs, programs undertaken by tax-supported institutions or government initiatives, emergency funding, scholarship funds or other individual aide.
Allegheny Foundation	The Allegheny Foundation concentrates its giving in the Western PA area and confines its grant awards to programs for historic preservation, civic development and education. No event sponsoring. Does not fund individuals.
Anne & George Clapp Charitable & Educational Trust	Fields of interest include education, social services, youth and child welfare, and aging. Limited support for cultural programs, historic preservation, and conservation. Southwestern PA only, grants are not made to individualls. No grants are made for medical research, research projects, filmmaking, conferences or field trips.
Charlotte and Donald Teast Foundation	Sustainable communities, arts, humanities, civic and public affairs, education, the environment, health and social services.

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DCNR River Conservation Program	Conserve and enhance river resources by offering planning grants, technical assistance, implementation grants, development grants, and acquisition grants.
Ford Foundation	General/operating support; continuing support; endowment funds; program development; conferences/seminars; professorships; publication; seed money; fellowships; internships, research; technical assistance; consulting services; program-related investments
Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation	Consider support for museums, schools, educational and skill training projects, programs for youth, seniors and the handicapped. Must be located in the US. Don't issue grants to individuals.
National Fish and Wildlife Fund -Five Star Restoration Challenge	Projects MUST involve diverse partnerships of ideally five organizations that contribute funding, land, technical assistance, workforce support, and/or other in-kind services. Projects involving only research, monitoring, or planning are not eligible. No mitigation work.
National Parks Foundation	Alternate Phone: 202-785-3539 Education, Training, Preservation, Conservation. The grants that are available change often. See the web site for current funding opportunities. Projects must connect with National Parks. Be located on or next to National Park or River and work in cooperation with National Park.
Native Plant Conservation Initiative - NFWF	Supports on the ground conservation projects that protect, enhance, and/or restore native plant communities on public and private lands. Projects typically fall into one of three categories and may contain elements of each; protection and restoration.
Public Welfare Foundation	
Robert Shaw Charitable Foundation	Money to assist those organizations who work to enhance the educational, health and welfare, cultural, youth development, social welfare, and community development needs of the area. Only 1 grant per year will be awarded to any org. Preference to Southwestern PA.
Scaife Family Foundation	Grants awarded will support programs that strengthen families, address the health and welfare of women and children, promote animal welfare. No event sponsorships, endowments, capital campaigns, renovations or government agencies. No grants to individuals.
The French Foundation	Environment, natural resources
The Lawrence Foundation	The mission of The Lawrence Foundation is to make a difference in the world by providing contributions and grants to organizations that are working to solve pressing educational, environmental, health and other issues
The Max and Anna Levinson Foundation	The Environment includeing primarily preservation of ecosystems and biological diversity but also including environmental justice, alternative energy, alternative agriculture and toxics. Must have 501© 3 status. Rarely fund org with budgets in excess of \$500,000.
Turner Foundation	Alternate Phone: 404-681-0172. supports activities to preserve the environment, conserve natural resources, protect wilflife, and develop and implement sound population polilcies. To protect rivers, lakes, wetlands, aquifers, oceans. does not provide funding for buildings, land acquisition, endowments, or start-up funds, films, books, magazines, or other specific media projects.

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Natural Resources

Beneficia Foundation		
Canaan Valley Institute		Promotes the development and growth of local associations committed to improving or maintaining the natural resources of their watersheds in the Mid-Allantic portions of Pennsylvania.
Charles A and Anne Morrow Lindburgh Foundation		Grants awarded for the conservation of natural resources and water resource management. Grants are awarded to individuals for research and educational programs, not to organizations for institutional programs.
Dana Corporation		Air Quality, Environment, General, Water Resources. Emphasis is given to areas where corporation operates
DCNR- Community Grants (Growing Greener)		Awarded for local recreation, park and conservation projects. Including rehabilitation and development of parks and recreation facilities, acquisition of land for park and conservation purposes; and technical assistance for feasibility studies, trail studies. Requires 50% match except some technical assistance and projects eligible as small community projects.
Home Depot		Assistance is provided to non profit organizations that direct effort toward protecting our natural systems. The grant program focus on forestry & Ecology, Clean-up and recycling, Green Building Design, Lead posioning prevention.
Jones W. Alton Foundation, Inc.		To support the earth's life support system from environmental harm. Support conservation and ecology projects.
Leo Model Foundation		Grants for habitat conservation, watershed conservation, and species preservation in the US.
National Fish and Wilfe Fund Challenge Grants for Conservation		The foundation, in partnership with the NRCS and NACD(National Association of Conservation Districts) announces an opportunity for challenge grants. Primary goal of the program is to support model projects which positively engage private landowner.
Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program		Grants to work with National Parks Service to conserve land and river resources and provides funding for various projects dealing with the conservation of these resources including the development of trails and greenways.
The River Restoration - NOAA		submittal by email whenever possible. Encourage contact to discuss project prior to submitting application. Formal non-federal matches not required, by encouraged. Dam removal and fish passage. Available in Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, and California.
The Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act		Plan development for natural resource concerns within a watershed area; cost sharing available to carry out plan
The William C. Kenney Watershed Protection Foundation		Protecting the remaining wild rivers of the west and ensuring the effectiveness of small environmental organizations.

Other

Charles Stewart Mott Foundation		The environmental program is devoted to reform of international lending and trade policies. Projects must be part of a national demonstration when out of the Flint area.
North American Fund for Environmental Cooperation		Funds community based projects in Canada, Mexico and the US to enhance regional co-operation, prevent environmental and trade disputes and to promote the effective enforcenent of environmental law.

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PA DEP Brownsfield Inventory	Grantees will be paid \$1,000 for each site registered into the PA Site finder. Municipalities and economic development agencies may apply for the grant by submitting an application.
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program RSVP	Provides a variety of opportunities for people 55 and better to volunteer in the management of trails, rivers, and open space. Grants can be used for staff salaries, fringe benefits, travel, equipment and transportation.

Plantings

National 4-H Council	Grants are used to stimulate community tree planting and/or reforestation projects. Awarded to communities in support of on-going community planting/reforestation project or to stimulate new and creative youth-led projects. Secure matching funds or in-kind contributions from other sources equal to the amount requested.
National Gardening Association	100 grants to be awarded to start-up programs involving children. 300 will be awarded to established programs. Covers tools, seeds, plant materials, products, and educational resources. Grant restricted to programs involving children and a \$10.00 administrative fee
Plant Material Centers	American Indian Liason Resource Conservation and Community Assistance Div. NRCS, USDA, To select and grow plants that grow naturally and provide them to those people who wish to grow native plants.

Remediation/Restoration

Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Program OSM	Applications accepted anytime. Provides for the restoration of eligible lands and waters that have been mined, abandoned, or left inadequately restored. Two different grants are available. Protects land and corrects environmental damage caused by coal mining
AMD Watershed Assessment - Bureau of Mining and Reclamation	Must be a municipality, municipal authority or incorporated non-profit. AMD only
American Canoe Association CFS Grants	For grass roots organizations to improve waterways. Clean-ups, riparian coorider, water quality monitoring. Very flexible as long as it is improving waterways and fish habitat. Can not be used to pay staff however it can be used to pay a contractor. must use volunteer help.
PA DEP - BAMR Abandoned Mine Reclamation Grants	Funds must be used for project development, design, construction and directly related expenses. Site chosen must be located in a watershed or area with an approved rehab plan . No admin cost. Must be a municipality, municipal authority or incorporated 501C3

Remediation/Restoration

Bring Back the Natives - NFWF	Supports on the ground habitat restoration projects that benefit native aquatic species in their historic range.
Community Foundation	Projects related to abandoned mine drainage remediation, alkaline discharges, streambank preservation, removal of spoil piles and other issues related to water quality are of interest to the Board of Advisors.
EPA - Nonpoint Source Implementation Grants	Funds are provided to State to carry out nonpoint source projects and programs pursuant to Section 319 of the Clean Water Act as amended by the Water Quality Act of 1987. Grants are awarded to a single agency in each State designated by the governor. 40% non-federally funded match required! Only one administered to each state.

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NOAA Fish Habitat Restoration Program	Financial assistance for community-based habitat restoration projects, to restore fish habitats.
OSM Clean Stream Initiative	This grant is used to treat AMD. Diversion and administration is covered but the bulk must go into construction. Must have funding partners. Applications available upon request. Review period takes 2.5-3 months depending on eligibility. Must be a co-op agreement
PA DEP -Stream Improvement Project Reimbursements	To provide assistance in an instance where a stream is posing a threat to structures, such as homes or businesses. Must pose threat to structure. Must be applied for by conservation or municipality
PA Fish and Boat Commission	Habitat Improvement and Technical Assistance
Partnership with the Corps of Engineers	To foster cooperation on projects of mutual interest, such as fish and wildlife habitat restoration, non-structural flood control opportunities, wetland restoration, and endangered species protection.
Pinellas County Environmental Foundation - NFWF	Is a partnership between Pinellas County and the NFWF. These two groups share the common goals of actively pursuing the protection, restoration and enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat, developing creative and sustainable solutions to natural resources.

Research

Conservation & Research Foundation at Connecticut College	The conservation and enlightened use of the earth's resources to encourage research to deepen the understanding of the intricate relationship between people and the environment. Will support higher education, individuals, museums, nonprofits, and research. Unsolicited proposals are not accepted; however, letters of inquiry including a budget may be sent.
USDA-Nutrient Science for Improved Watershed Management	Funds for integrated research in extension management of nutrients on watershed level. Nutrients of interest are nitrogen and phosphorous. Please note that a research foundation maintained by a college or university is not eligible. These grants are for research.

Stormwater Management

DEP Stormwater Management Program	Watershed planning for stormwater control and implementation of programs at local levels.
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Stream Bank Fencing

Ducks Unlimited - PA Stewardship Program	Provides strong incentives to land owners to create wooded stream buffers, create wider than minimum buffers and fence callt out of the stream. Grant is available for fencing and tree planting
Fish America Foundation	Grants awarded for stream bank stabilization materials, instream habitat improvements, contracted heavy equipment and stream morphology work. Match not required but highly recommended.
Partners for Wildlife & Pheasants Forever	
US Fish & Wildlife Service	Assists landowners in installation of high-tensile electric fence to exclude livestock from streams and wetlands. No buffer requirements.
USDA Continous Conservation Reserve Program	Statewide cost share program for creating buffers. A 40% practice incentive as well as a \$10/acre incentive. Buffers of 35-180 ft per side of the stream. Land must have been pasture.

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USDA- Environmental Quality Incentives Program	A statewide program based on environmental problems it address all problems on a farm. They fund BMP's.
USDA Project Grass	james.Harrold@pasomerset.fsc.usda.gob A co-operative effort of local farmers, conservation districts with assistance from USDA to improve agriculture productivity in SW PA. For local contacts see information brochure on file.

Technical Assistance

Watershed Assistance Grants	Funding supports organizational development and capacity building for watershed partnerships with diverse membership. Match requested but not required. Nonprofits, tribes and local gov't only
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Trails

DCNR - PA Recreational Trails Program	maintenance and restoration of existing recreational trails; development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages; purchase and lease of recreational trail construction and maintenance equipment; Must have 20% match. Eligible applicants include federal and state agencies, local governments and private organizations
DCNR - Rails to Trails	Provide 50% funding for the planning, acquisition or development of rail-trail corridors. applicants include municipalities and nonprofit organizations established to preserve and protect available abandoned railroad corridors for use as trails. Grants require 50% match

Volunteers

3M Foundation	Alternate Phone: 612-737-3061 3M sponsors a volunteer program community action retired employee service (CARES). Company favors projects that impacts 3M communities.
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Wetlands

US Fish & Wildlife Service	For wetland Conservation projects, must have 50% non-federal match in small-grant program with North American Wetlands Conservation Council.
Wetlands Reserve Program USDA Natural Resources	To restore and protect wetlands on private property; provide landowners with financial incentives to enhance wetlands in exchange for retiring marginal agricultural land.