

LANCASTER CLEAN WATER FUND



SUMMARY

The [Lancaster Clean Water Fund](#) supports three grant programs: Community Conservation Grant and Small and Large Clean Water Implementation Grants

- Created in 2019 and updated in 2021 to include funds awarded by PADEP for implementation of Lancaster Countywide Action Plan (CAP) and NFWF
- Administered by Lancaster Clean Water Partners
- Annual program funding (2021-22): over \$3.5 million
- Funding Source: Private - Lancaster County Community Foundation, PA DEP

ELIGIBILITY

Who is Eligible?

Municipalities, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations in Lancaster County.

Eligible Costs

Community Conservation (CC) Grants: Small grants of \$1,000 –\$15,000 that support education, outreach and engagement; educational campaigns, art installations, water monitoring.

Clean Water Implementation Grant (Small Grant): \$5,000 - \$25,000 supports implementation of ready-to-go projects.

Clean Water Implementation Grant (Large Grant): \$100,000 - \$500,000 for large-scale, high priority projects involving agricultural conservation and stormwater practices. Covers design and engineering up to 25% of construction costs.

Match not required but helps boost ranking.



Last Update: April 2023

FEATURES

Offers small grants for watershed organizations to educate and engage landowners; can receive dollars immediately.

Small CW Implementation grants offers 50% upfront money to get BMPs in the ground.

Large-scale projects eligible for \$1.7 million in PADEP block grant funds to help with implementation of 60 BMPs in CAP (2022).

Fairly simple process; 45-day turnaround.

HELPFUL TIPS

Submit draft application (Small Grant & Community Conservation) by June 23 for feedback.

Use the [LCWP's Collaborative Mapping Tool](#) to get your project location's restoration opportunity score. Priority for large grants given to projects in Tier 1 & 2 catchments.

Interested landowners and businesses should reach out to [your municipality or local nonprofit group](#) to consider your project for submission.

HOW TO APPLY

2023 Deadlines: CC Grant and Small Grant applications due July 21 at 11:59pm. Awards will be announced September 22.

Apply here: www.lancfound.org/grants

Contact Megan Blackmon for application access code: 717-847-5321 or

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