

## Updated Funding Opportunities as of Feb. 8, 2024

- All Virginia Projects
  - Native tree planting
    - [Virginia Department of Forestry: Virginia Trees for Clean Water Grant Program](#) This grant is used to fund tree-planting efforts that raise public awareness of the benefits of trees and impacts on water quality. The funding range is \$1,000 – \$50,000.
    - Ongoing applications – Applications must be submitted 30 days prior to the estimated planting date and an award must be issued prior to beginning the project or incurring project expenses.
  - FREE OR CHEAP TREES!
    - [Arbor Day Foundation](#)
      - [Shop for Trees](#): Prepare for Spring with 10% off all trees use code: GROW10 at checkout
      - With a \$10 [membership fee](#) you can get 10 free trees
    - [Buy Virginia Trees](#)
      - Cheap trees! Virginia Department of Forestry nurseries accept orders from early October – late April with pickup and shipping during Virginia’s planting season, which runs from late February to late April.
    - [Bona Terra Seedling Tray Plant Grant](#)
      - Bona Terra is The largest retail inventory of strictly native plants using restorative growing methods in the DC area. No set limit on how many seedlings can be granted.
- Fairfax County
  - Invasive Species Removal
    - [Fairfax County Park Authority's Mastenbrook Grant Program](#)
      - For faith communities next to parks, this program allows you to request capital development funds to match volunteer group resources for projects to improve Fairfax County Park Authority parks and park facilities. The goal is to assist volunteers in improving county parks by matching their funds/in-kind services. Maximum amount of grant funding is \$20,000 per project, and matching funds cannot exceed 50% of the total project cost. Projects include tree plantings or invasive species removal. Applications for grant funds will be accepted at any time and will end when funds are exhausted. Funding comes from the Park Bond Program, approved by county citizens through referendum.
  - Native Trees
    - [Fairfax County Tree Preservation and Planting Fund](#)
      - Tree Planting Grants available from Fairfax County faith communities. Intended to help support the County's Tree Action Plan to expand and replace tree canopy in the County, and

protect, manage, and enhance urban forest resources. New proposals can be submitted April 1- May 15.

- [Fairfax Releaf](#)
  - Free trees! Spring seedling ordering opens Feb 26th and they anticipate beginning distributions the second week of March.
- [Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District](#)
  - Seedling packages will be made available on the sales website Thursday March 14 at 10am, 2pm, and 6pm and will remain available until sold out.
- Stormwater Management
  - [Virginia and Fairfax County Conservation Assistance Programs](#)
    - The Conservation Assistance Programs are urban cost-share programs that help property owners address stormwater concerns on their own property with environmentally-friendly practices. They provide financial and technical assistance for installing projects to address erosion, poor vegetation, and/or excess stormwater runoff. The purpose of the program is to help improve water quality in our region by addressing these concerns. By reducing the amount of water runoff from our land, we reduce the pollutants going into our streams and the Chesapeake Bay. CAP funding is available for installing specific practices.
- Loudoun County
  - Native Tree/Shrub Planting
    - [Tree Planting Program LSWCD Non-Ag Reforestation Program](#)
      - Targeted at planting trees to permanently reforest currently non-wooded land. Reimbursement for planting is provided at a rate of up to \$7000.00 per acre including eligible costs of trees, labor, and deer protection.
    - Stormwater Management
      - [Virginia Conservation Assistance Program](#)
        - An urban cost-share program that provides financial incentives and technical and educational assistance to property owners installing eligible Best Management Practices (BMPs) in Virginia's participating Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs). These practices can be installed where problems like erosion, poor drainage, or poor vegetation occur. Applications are currently being accepted.
- Arlington County
  - [Stormwater at Home](#)
    - This webpage lists several project ideas with helpful advice and instructions to help manage and reduce stormwater at home. Do your part to reduce stormwater pollution from running off your property and get credit on your [stormwater utility fee!](#)

- [EcoAction Arlington Tree Planting Program](#)
  - Apply to get a native tree planted on your faith community's property. Program details to get a tree planted in the Fall of 2024 will open in the Spring with a deadline of June 2024.