

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Grant Programs 2012

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Grants available from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation - 2012

Competitive grants for environmental protection and improvement are available for municipalities, community organizations, not-for-profit organizations and others. For more information about specific grant programs, including eligibility requirements, enrollment periods, eligible activities, and FAQs for all NYSDEC grants, following grants, please visit the grant website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/grants.html>

Solid and Hazardous Waste Grants

Funding for municipal projects that improve solid waste management strategies

Municipal Waste Reduction, Recycling

Municipalities are eligible for state assistance for the purchase of equipment or construction of facilities. State assistance grants may fund up to 50% of approved and eligible project costs. Proposals are accepted on an ongoing first-come-first-served basis. Pre-application required. 518-402-8678

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal

Municipalities are eligible to apply for state assistance for household hazardous waste collection days or facilities. Funding State assistance grants may fund up to 50% of approved and eligible project costs. Proposals are accepted on an ongoing first-come-first-served basis. Pre-application required. 518-402-8678.

Solid Waste Municipal Landfill Closure

Municipalities that have inactive solid waste landfills or landfills that will be inactive within 18 months of application that have eligible closure costs are eligible to apply for this funding. State assistance grants may fund up to 50% of approved and eligible project costs. 518-402-8712

Municipal Landfill Gas Management

Municipalities are eligible for state assistance for Municipal Landfill Gas Management projects that promote improved air quality at solid waste landfills and encourage energy recovery from landfill gas. State assistance grants may fund up to 50% of approved and eligible project costs, or \$2 million, whichever is less. Proposals for projects are accepted on an ongoing basis. Contact 518-402-8678.

Water Protection Grants

Funding for projects that protect and improve New York's water resources

Hurricane Irene - Tropical Storm Irene Flood Mitigation Grants

Applications are being accepted from counties for flood mitigation and flood control projects in creeks, streams, and brooks impacted by Hurricane Irene and/or Tropical Storm Lee. The Empire State Development Corporation (ESD) will administer this program in collaboration with DEC. The total amount of funding available is \$9 million. Grants will range from a minimum of \$300,000 to a maximum of \$500,000 per county for eligible projects. Applications due April 11, 2012. Contact: 518-402-9395

Hudson River Estuary and Mohawk River Grants

Municipalities and not-for-profit organizations are eligible to apply for state assistance for projects that will to implement the goals and targets of the 2010-2014 Hudson River Estuary Action Agenda. The total amount of funding available is \$150,000. An additional \$20,000 will be available to implement the goals and targets of the draft 2012-2016 Mohawk River Action Agenda. Grant awards will range from \$5,000-10,000. A grant award may fund up to 50% of approved and eligible project costs and will require a local match equal to the grant award. The NYSDEC anticipates the Request For Applications will be available in Spring 2012.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Engineering Planning Grants

Municipalities are eligible for state assistance for planning and engineering of wastewater projects to help them meet clean water standards. The Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) will administer this program in collaboration with DEC. Grant awards are likely to be about \$30,000, with some match required. Up to \$2 million will be available. CWSRF Engineering Planning Grant applications will be available through the Consolidated Funding Application in 2012. Contact Susan Van Patten (518) 402-8240.

Water Quality Improvement Grants

Municipalities and not-for-profit organizations are eligible for state assistance to reduce polluted runoff, improve water quality and restore habitat in New York's waterbodies. Depending on the type of project, State assistance grants may fund up to 85% of approved and eligible project costs. Funding may become available in 2012.

Wildlife Protection Grant Programs

Funding for projects that improve and protect wildlife habitats

Landowner Incentive Programs

Private landowners and not-for-profit organizations are eligible for technical and financial assistance to protect wildlife species of conservation concern. In 2012-2013, funds are expected to be available for the protection and management of grassland bird habitat in selected focus areas. In the future, technical and financial assistance may become available protecting and managing habitat for bog turtles, New England cottontails, and golden-winged warblers. Grant request for applications will be available in 2012. Contact Marcelo DelPuerto, 518-402-8907.

Land and Forest Protection Grants

Funding for projects that protect state and privately owned lands and forests

Urban and Community Forestry Grants

Municipalities and not-for-profit organizations are eligible to apply for state assistance for a variety of Urban and Community Forestry projects. Eligible projects include tree inventories and management plans; tree and shrub planting and maintenance; and invasive insect detection surveys. A Request For Applications will be available in Spring 2012. For more information, contact Mary Kramarchyk at 518-402-9425 or your local DEC office.