

NATURAL RESOURCES AND REC FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

DUE	FUNDER	GRANT TITLE	PURPOSE	ELGIBILITY	AWARD AMOUNT	APPLICATION GUIDELINES
12/1/2012	Walmart Foundation	Walmart State Giving Program--Environmental Sustainability Grants	Focus on production systems that sustain people and the environment by reducing waste, and promoting energy efficiency and the use of renewable resources.	501c3 organizations and states. See guidelines for exclusions.	>\$25,000	http://walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/8169.aspx
12/1/2012	Walmart Store and Sam's Club Giving Program	Walmart Store and Sam's Club Facility Grant Giving Program	1) Education: Programs which re-engage students who have dropped out of high school, improve retention rates of first-generation college students and support teachers; 2) Health and Wellness: programs that provide cooking and meal planning classes for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) recipients; or healthy snacks for kids in summer programs, and support for doctors planning community health programs for underserved children; 3) Hunger Relief: support for soup kitchens, food pantries, backpack programs, and school breakfast programs.	Organizations with current tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3), (4), (6), or (19) of the Internal Revenue Code . Recognized government entities: State, County and City agencies, including law enforcement and fire departments. Volunteer Fire Departments with current tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; or that operate as an entity of a recognized government agency. K-12 Public Schools/Districts, Charter Schools, Community/Junior Colleges, State Colleges and Universities. Private schools and colleges with current tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Churches and other faith based organizations with propose projects that address and benefit the needs of the community at large.	\$250-\$5,000.	
10/31/2012	CVS Caremark	CVS Caremark Community Grant Program	Awards funds to nonprofit organizations that support children with disabilities, including programs focusing on health and rehabilitation services, initiatives that provide greater access to physical movement and play, and public schools promoting a greater level of inclusion in student activities and extracurricular programs. In addition, grants are provided to programs that create greater access to healthcare services for uninsured and underinsured community residents.	Nonprofit organizations that support children with disabilities.	\$5,000	http://info.cvscaremark.com/community/our-impact/community-grants

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9/30/2012	Michigan Department of Natural Resources	Emerald Ash Borer Prevention, Mitigation, and Restoration Grants	To provide information and technical assistance to municipal governments, other non-federal public landowners, and consultants about the impacts of the emerald ash borer (EAB) in the Northern Lower Peninsula and the Western Upper Peninsula. In the Northern Lower Peninsula, the project is focused on restoration of EAB damaged trees and stands in the following communities: Traverse City, Petoskey, Cheboygan, Gaylord, and Alpena.	In the Lower Peninsula, qualified land includes city parks and forestland that is privately owned or owned by a non-federal unit of government, and it must lie within a 25 mile radius of the cities of Cheboygan, Alpena, Gaylord, Traverse City, and Petoskey.	Up to \$20,000	http://michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-58225_37985_37990-265970--,00.html
9/30/2012	U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service	National Fish Passage Program	Financial and technical assistance to remove or bypass artificial barriers that impede the movement of fish and contribute to their decline.	Unrestricted	<\$200. - \$500,000.	http://www.fws.gov/midwest/Fisheries/streamcrossings/images/P
9/28/2012	U.S. Dept. of the Interior-Fish and Wildlife Service	Partners for Fish and Wildlife 2012	Provides technical and financial assistance to private landowners for habitat restoration projects that benefit Federal trust species.	Private landowners, tribes, counties, cities, watershed groups, non-profit organizations, and businesses.	\$25,000 per project	http://www.fws.gov/nevada/partners/index.html
9/1/2012	DTE Energy Foundation	Tree Planting Grants	Tree planting projects such as park, right-of-way, city street, nature study areas, school grounds planting and neighborhood revitalization projects. All trees must be planted on public land or land open to the public.	Local units of government, schools and nonprofit organizations within the service territory of DTE Energy.	Up to \$3,000	http://michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-58225_37985-125033--,00.html
7/15/2012	Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources	Snowmobile Trail Improvement Program	Maintenance of snowmobile trails as part of the designated statewide trail system. Funds can be used for: 1) seasonal grooming and general maintenance of snowmobile trails; 2) special maintenance projects that improve the condition and/or access to trails; and 3) replacement of equipment used for maintaining trails.	Local units of government and nonprofit, incorporated snowmobile clubs and organizations are eligible to apply for these grants. Individuals are not eligible.	Brushing based on mileage. 100% of equipment cost.	http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-58225_37985-125048--,00.html
6/15/2012	Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources and Environment	Recreation Improvement Fund Grants	To fund the operation, maintenance and development of recreation trails and restoration of lands damaged by off-road vehicles and inland lake cleanup.	State projects and State/local government partnership projects. A Department of Natural Resources (DNR) division/bureau must always be the applicant		

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5/31/2012	Captain Planet Foundation	Youth Environmental Programs	Promote and support high-quality educational programs that enable children and youth to understand and appreciate our world through learning experiences that engage them in active, hands-on projects to improve the environment in their schools and communities.	Must involve young people ages 6-18 (elementary through high school). Nonprofit organizations and public schools worldwide are eligible.	\$250 to \$2,500	http://www.captainplanetfoundation.org/default.aspx?pid=3&tab=apply
5/1/2012	Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources	Off Road Vehicle (ORV) Law Enforcement Grants	Promote safety in the use of off-road vehicles (ORV) through law enforcement and education. Expenses applied to patrol time, operating costs and purchase of equipment necessary for law enforcement work are eligible for reimbursement, dependent on availability of State funding	Government agencies and nonprofit, incorporated clubs and organizations are eligible for these grant funds. Individuals are not eligible.	100% of cost	http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-58225_37985-124975--,00.html
4/30/2012	Ambrose Monell Foundation	Ambrose Monell Foundation Grant	The improvement of the physical, mental, and moral condition of humanity.	501(c)3 nonprofit organizations	\$25,000 to \$600,000.	http://www.monellvet
4/30/2012	Patagonia	Patagonia Environmental Grant	Most interested in making grants to organizations working on protecting local habitat, that identify and work on the root causes of problems and that approach issues with a commitment to long-term change. The funding focuses on organizations that build a strong base of citizen support.	Small, grassroots activist organizations with provocative direct-action agendas. 501(c)(3) status or a comparable fiscal sponsor.	\$3,000 to \$8,000.	http://www.patagonia.com/web/us/patagonia.go?slc=en_US&sct=US&assetid=2942
4/30/2012	The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	National Wildlife Refuge Friends Group Grant Program	The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, along with its partners, recognizes the important role refuge Friends organizations play in building critical community support for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's National Wildlife Refuge System. As such, we are requesting proposals for projects that assist organizations to be effective co-stewards of our Nation's important natural resources within the National Wildlife Refuge System.	Open to any public or private entity that can receive grants. Projects must include on-the-ground wetland, riparian, in stream, and/or coastal habitat restoration; integrate meaningful environmental education into the restoration project either through community outreach, participation, and/or integration with K-12 environmental curriculum; and result in measurable ecological, educational, and community benefits	\$1,500 - \$5,000	www.nfwf.org/grantapplication

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4/12/2012	Environmental Protection Agency	Environmental Protection Agency: Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grants	Deliver environmental workforce development and job training programs that recruit, train, and place local, unemployed and under-employed residents with the skills needed to secure full-time employment in the environmental field, with a focus on solid and hazardous waste remediation, environmental health and safety, and wastewater-related training.	Applicants that received a Brownfields Job Government agencies, tribal governments, nonprofit organizations.	<\$200,000.	http://www.epa.gov/answer/docs/grants/epa-oswer-oblr-12-03.pdf
4/6/2012	The North Face Explore Fund	The Explore Fund	Encourage youth outdoor participation, focusing primarily on creating more connections of children to nature, increasing access to both front and backcountry recreation, as well as providing education for both personal and environmental health.	Non-profit 501(c)(3) status organizations.	<\$2500.	http://www.explorefund.org/application.php
4/2/2012	Michigan Department of Natural Resources	Recreation Passport Grants	"To get more people outside more often, enjoying the many natural resources and outdoor recreation opportunities available in Michigan; meaning wider accessibility to better resources right in their own neighborhoods."	"In order to be eligible for a Recreation Passport grant, the grantee must be: (a) A local unit of government, including cities, villages, townships, and counties, or any combination thereof, in which an authority is legally established to provide public recreation, OR (b) The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority or regional recreation authorities formed under the Recreational Authorities Act, 2000, PA 321, or trailway commissions formed under Part 721, Michigan Trailways Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended."	\$7,500 - \$45,000	http://michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-58225_58701---.00.html

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4/1/2012	Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment MDNRE	Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund	It provides financial assistance to local governments and the Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) to purchase land or rights in land for public recreation or protection of land because of its environmental importance or its scenic beauty. It also assists in the appropriate development of land for public outdoor recreation.	The state and counties, cities, townships, villages, school districts, the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, or any authority composed of counties, cities, townships, villages or school districts, or any combination thereof, which authority is legally constituted to provide public recreation. Local units of government must have a DNRE-approved 5-year recreation plan on file with the Department prior to application.	\$15,000-\$500,000 for development. No cap on acquisition.	
4/1/2012	Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources and Environment MDNRE	Land and Water Conservation Fund	The objective is to provide grants to local units of government and to the state to develop land for outdoor recreation.	Any unit of government, including Native American tribes, school districts, or any combination of units in which authority is legally constituted to provide recreation. Local units of government, tribes, school districts, and local authorities must have a DNRE-approved community five-year recreation plan to be eligible.	\$30,000-\$100,000	
	American Water	American Water Community Giving Program	The American Water Community Giving Program supports nonprofit organizations in the communities the company serves in Arizona, California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia. Grants are provided in the following categories: Water and the Environment, Water and Healthy Living, Environmental Education, and Community Sustainability.	Generally support only charitable organizations that hold current tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or to government agencies, including public schools. Michigan American Water's corporate giving program does not make contributions to or for: Individuals, Tickets for raffles, contests or other activities with prizes, Religious organizations (unless the request is for a program offered to the public on a non-discriminatory basis and without regard to the recipient's religious affiliation), Endowments, Debt-reduction campaigns, Political or partisan organizations or events	Majority of grants are under \$1,000	http://www.amwater.com/forms/aw_grant_application_form.aspx?State=MI

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Americana Foundation	Americana Foundation	We focus on two program areas of protection, preservation and education: •American heritage expressed through its material culture •Natural resources and agriculture through land use and growth management	Non profit organizations 501c3. (Michigan organizations have priority)	\$500-15,000.	http://www.americanafoundation.org/guidelines.asp
Ben and Jerry's Foundation	Ben and Jerry's Foundation	Supports non-profit organizations across the country and in Vermont aligned with the Foundation's broad interests in social justice, environmental protection and sustainable food systems.	Non profit organizations (501(c)3). Organizations with budgets of \$500,000 or less	\$500-\$15,000/ one year	http://benandjerrysfoundation.org/the-national-grassroots-grant-program.html
Carls Foundation	Carls Foundation	Children's Welfare (primarily in Michigan) including: Health care facilities and programs, with special emphasis on the prevention and treatment of hearing impairment; Recreational, educational and welfare programs especially for children who are disadvantaged for economic and/or health reasons; and Preservation of natural areas, open space and historic buildings and areas having special natural beauty or significance in maintaining America's heritage and historic ideals, through assistance to land trusts and land conservancies and directly related environmental educational programs.	Non-profit organizations with 501©(3) tax-exempt status.	>\$5,000	http://www.carlsfdn.org/
Charles Stewart Mott Foundation	The Environment Program	Promotes models of development that protect the diversity of selected ecosystems in North America and around the world		inquire	http://www.mott.org/about/programs/envir
Consumers Energy Foundation	Consumers Energy Foundation	Innovative projects and activities creating measurable impact in five areas: Social Welfare, Michigan Growth and Environmental Enhancement, Education, Community and Civic, and Culture and the Arts.	Nonprofit organizations	<\$50,000	http://www.consumersenergy.com/content/foundation.aspx?id=171

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	Encana Foundation	Encana Foundation	Our community investment programs are strategically aligned to help educate people on the importance of environmental stewardship, boost local economies and enhance the skill sets of the next generation of industry leaders.	The organization must be located in and/or serving an Encana community.* The organization should be a registered charity which is eligible to issue official tax receipts for donations, or an established non-profit community organization. The organization must be in sound financial condition.		http://www.encana.com/communities/investment/request/
	Google Foundation	Google Grants	Advertisement and publicity of non-profits. Selected applicants will be allowed to open a free advertising account and utilize the company's technology to gain more publicity. Support will be awarded to organizations that provide services in areas such as science and technology, education, global public health, the environment, youth advocacy, and the arts.	Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS	<\$10,000 per month	http://www.google.com/support/grants/bin/request.py?contact_type=contact_policy
	Great Lakes Fishery Trust	Fish Passage and Other Dam Management Project Grants	Not accepting 2011 applications	501(c)(3) designation from the IRS , as well as educational and governmental (including tribal organizations).		http://www.glft.org/grants/reference_docs/EHSFP/Dam_MGMT/D
	Great Lakes Fishery Trust	Great Lakes Fishery Trust-Dam Management	Not accepting 2011 applications	Organizations that are eligible to apply for GLFT grants include nonprofit organizations with a 501(c)(3) designation from the IRS (or nongovernmental organizations that hold charitable status in their country), as well as educational and governmental (including tribal) organizations.		

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Herbert H. & Grace A. Dow Foundation	Hert H. & Grace A. Dow Foundation	Both in Midland and in Michigan, the trustees look for opportunities where a grant of seed money or a matching grant will stimulate broad public participation in an artistic, recreational, educational or cultural project so that the project can become self-sustaining. Projects that benefit youngsters or senior citizens are of special interest. If a program needs launching or requires changes, the Foundation may help. Requests for general support money for ongoing programs are more properly directed to other organizations of broad public benefit.	Non-profit organizations.	\$1,000-\$500,000	http://www.hhdowfoundation.org/guidelines.html
Kresge Foundation	Kresge Foundation Grant	Facilities capital challenge grants are awarded to organizations that cater specifically to the needs of poor, disadvantaged and disenfranchised in six fields of interest: health, the environment, arts and culture, education, human services, and community development.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •501(c)(3) organizations that are not classified as private foundations •Government entities •Religious organizations that are operated by or within religious institutions and serve secular needs, have space formally dedicated to their programs, and have financial and governing autonomy from the parent religious organization •Colleges and universities that are fully accredited associate, baccalaureate and/or graduate degree-granting institutions •Elementary and secondary schools that serve predominately students with physical and/or developmental disabilities •Hospitals that are accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations 		http://www.kresge.org/index.php/our_funding_methods/challenge_grant_application_process/
Leelanau Township Community Foundation	Leelanau Township Community Foundation	Dedicated to improving the quality of life (arts and culture, education, environment,community development, economic development, social services,health and wellness and recreation for the residents of Leelanau Township, MI.	Nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and educational institutions	\$100 - \$10,000	http://www.leelanaufoundation.org/grantseeing.html
Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation	Lowe's Community Grants	Supports parks and playgrounds, environmental beautification, environmental education, community development	501(c) (3) tax-exempt nonprofit organizations and public agencies in communities where Lowe's operates stores and distribution centers.	\$5,000 to \$25,000	

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M.E. Davenport Foundation	M.E. Davenport Foundation	Support quality of life programs in economics, education, and the environment	Non-profit organizations	Not stated.	http://www.medavenport.org/grant-criteria
Michigan Dept. of Environmental Quality	State Revolving Fund / Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund (S2) Grants	To provide grants to communities for up to 90 percent of planning, design, and revenue system development costs for prospective State Revolving Fund (SRF) and Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund (SWQIF) applicants. The goal is to assist communities in completing an application for the SRF or SWQIF	Any city, village, township, county, or related authority as defined in Section 5301(h) of Part 53, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994.	<\$1,000,000	http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deq/deq-essd-grantsloans-catalog_210643_7.pdf
Michigan Dept. of Environmental Quality	Small Business Pollution Prevention Revolving Loans	Remove financing barriers for small businesses in Michigan by offering low-interest loans for projects that reduce waste, or conserve water or energy. The program provides an incentive for small businesses to initiate or expand on P2 activities in order to reduce waste, energy, and water usage and save money.	Any business that is independently owned and operated, is not dominant in its field, and employs 500 or fewer individuals. the applicant's lending institution must be willing to finance the project and participate with the DEQ in the loan.	<\$200,000	http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deq/deq-essd-grantsloans-catalog_210643_7.pdf
Michigan Dept. of Environmental Quality	Brownfield Redevelopment Loans (BRL) and Revitalization Revolving Loans (RRL)	Designed to support the redevelopment of brownfield properties by providing low-interest loans to local units of government and other public bodies to investigate and remediate sites of known or suspected environmental contamination.	Any county, city, township, village, BRA, or other authority or public body created pursuant to state law may apply for a loan. Eligible activities include environmental investigations and assessments, interim response activities, and in some cases demolition. Response activities are eligible under the BRL funding but are not eligible for RRL funds. Only one project may be awarded to an applicant during any fiscal year.	<\$1,000,000	http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deq/deq-essd-grantsloans-catalog_210643_7.pdf

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Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources	Clean Vessel Act - Boat Pumpout Gran	To provide new or upgraded marine sewage disposal facilities, pumpouts and dump stations.	Grants are provided to both private and public boating facilities. Eligible projects primarily include dump stations, additional pumpouts at large boating facilities or those covered by a pumpout agreement, pumpouts for mooring facilities with a minimum of 15 slips, municipal sewage treatment system hookups and tap-in fees, and upgrading of older pumpout systems.	limited to the cost of a pumpout and holding tank/hookup	http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-58225_37985-125001--00.html
Milbank Foundation for Rehabilitation	Milbank Foundation for Rehabilitation Grant	Integrate people with disabilities into all aspects of American Life. Improving and expanding quality health services.	An organization must be located in the United States and tax-exempt under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.	\$5,000-\$30,000	http://foundationcenter.org/grantmaker/milbank/guide_mil.html
National Fish and Wildlife - Sustain Our Great Lakes Program	Sustain Our Great Lakes Community Grants Program	Supports habitat restoration and enhancement projects that simultaneously: 1) improve local habitat conditions and 2) build local conservation capacity. grant funding will not be provided for land protection (e.g., acquisition and easement), rain barrels, rain gardens, green roofs, or research.	Non-profit 501(c) organizations; state, tribal, local governments; and educational institutions.	\$25,000 to \$150,000.	
Norcross Wildlife Foundation	Wilderness Conservation Grant	Provides support to local grassroots organizations throughout the United States that work to protect wild land.	Local nonprofit organizations.	\$1,000 - \$5,000	http://www.norcrossw.org/Foundmain.html
Surdna Foundation	Green Economy	Creating good, green jobs by scaling up efforts to retrofit our nation's residential and commercial buildings; Growing green industry and revitalizing our manufacturing sector through policies and investments that drive the production of wind turbines, solar panels, and transit systems; and Fostering green jobs policies and training to create pathways out of poverty.	Non profit 501c3. Do not fund individuals, capital campaigns or building construction, or projects that are internationally based or focused.	unstated.	http://www.surdna.org/grants/how-to-apply.html
Traverse City Light and Power	Community Investment Grant	The Community Investment Fund will not be awarding grants for the October 2011 or February 2012 granting periods. Please check back at a later date for updated information.	Non profit organizations	<\$60,000.	http://www.tclp.org/cif.pdf

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U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service - U.S. Dept. of the Interior	National Fish Habitat Action Plan	Leverage federal and privately raised funds to protect, restore and enhance the nation's fish and aquatic communities through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation. Funds will support national and regional coordination activities as well as cost-shared projects to protect, restore, or enhance fish habitats.	Unrestricted	\$1,000 - \$250,000.	http://www.fws.gov/southeast/fisheries/ActionPlanFunding.html
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program	Assistance to private landowners for restoring, enhancing, and managing fish and wildlife habitats on their own lands	private land owners		
USDA-Forest Service	Forest Stewardship - Certified Plan Writing Grants	Provide an incentive for certified plan writers to reach out to non-industrial private forest landowners in writing Management Plans. These plans will provide silvicultural, hydrological, recreational and ecological information that will assist eligible landowners make informed choices for the long-term protection and management of the forest ecosystem on their property.	FSP certified plan writers. See guidelines for steps on becoming certified.	<\$2,000.	http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-58225_37985-125029--,00.html