



# Organizational Background

## **Chesapeake Bay Program**

The Chesapeake Bay Program is a regional partnership consisting of federal, state and local governments, academic institutions and non-profit organizations. Primarily funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Chesapeake Bay Program has set the guidance and policy for restoring the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries since 1983. Learn more at [www.chesapeakebay.net](http://www.chesapeakebay.net).

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## **Chesapeake Bay Trust**

Created by the Maryland General Assembly in 1985, the Chesapeake Bay Trust is a non-profit grant-making organization dedicated to improving the watersheds of the Chesapeake Bay, Maryland Coastal Bays and Youghiogheny River. Through its grant programs, the Trust engages hundreds of thousands of students and volunteers in projects that have a measurable impact on the natural resources of our region. Learn more at [www.cbtrust.org](http://www.cbtrust.org).

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## **Environmental Protection Agency Grants**

Every year, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) awards more than \$4 billion in funding for grants and other assistance agreements. The EPA works with many visionary organizations—from small non-profits to large state governments—to help them achieve their environmental goals. With countless success stories over the years, EPA grants remain a chief tool to protect human health and the environment. Learn more at [www.epa.gov/grants](http://www.epa.gov/grants).

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## **National Fish and Wildlife Foundation**

Chartered by Congress in 1984, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) protects and restores the nation's fish, wildlife, plants and habitats. Working with federal, corporate, foundation and individual partners, NFWF has funded more than 6,000 organizations and generated a total conservation impact of \$8.1 billion. NFWF is an equal opportunity provider. Learn more at [nfwf.org](http://nfwf.org).

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