



Save It! Residential Grant Application

Important Dates

Application Deadline: Rolling

Project Completion: Within 6 months of grant award

Purpose

Save It residential grants are intended to stimulate on the ground projects that align with our goals to create a measurable impact on water quality in the City of Lancaster. Lancaster City needs to save 750 million gallons of water annually from entering its combined sewer system – that’s the system that collects wastewater from your home as well as rainwater. When it rains, stormwater runs off rooftops, sidewalks, and driveways into a green infrastructure technology (rain garden, permeable paver, dry well). The water soaks into an above ground rain garden or below ground stone bed where it filters through the soil and is absorbed by plants.

This grant is meant to stimulate small scale green infrastructure projects on private properties.

- **Who can apply?** Lancaster City residential property owners and contractors working with Lancaster City residential property owners are eligible applicants.

What kinds of projects are eligible? Rain gardens, permeable pavers, and dry wells not otherwise part of a permit or ordinance requirement; Visit this link for more details on these technologies.

<http://www.saveitlancaster.com/resources/>

For information on similar projects completed in the City of Lancaster visit:

<http://www.saveitlancaster.com/local-projects/residences/>

- **What are the grant request limits?**
 - For contractors working with Lancaster City residents the grant request will not exceed \$2,500 with a minimum of \$500 and **must be matched by the applicant with cash and/or eligible non-cash (in-kind: design, labor) services approved by the City of Lancaster at a ratio of 1:1.**
 - Approved expenditures for grant funds include labor, materials, design, and other costs associated with installation.
 - For DIY (Do It Yourself) projects Lancaster City residents grant request will not exceed \$500 with a minimum of \$100 and **must be matched by the applicant with cash and/or eligible non-cash (in-kind: design, labor) approved by the City of Lancaster at a ratio of 1:1.**
 - Approved expenditures for grant funds include materials and some equipment costs (rototiller, excavator, truck) when approved by City.
- Water Week will award grants totaling approximately \$30,000. Grant funds will be paid after the completed project is inspected by City of Lancaster staff.

- **Who decides what applications are awarded?** Project proposals will be reviewed by the Grant Review Committee in partnership with the City of Lancaster. The committee reserves the right to request additional proposal information if they feel such information is crucial to the evaluation process.
- **Review and Reporting Process**
 - Each project application will go through technical review and permitting with the City of Lancaster Stormwater bureau. All grant awarded projects must have all necessary permits issued by the city prior to starting construction.
 - The completed project will be inspected by City of Lancaster staff.
 - Projects funded through this grant are eligible for a reduction in Stormwater fee.
 - Rain gardens, permeable pavers and dry wells planned as part of a larger construction project do not qualify for this funding.
 - Projects awarded grant funding may be eligible for a waiver of permit fee and financial security for Stormwater permits.

Instructions: Prior to submitting project application please contact Fritz Schroeder, Director of Development and Marketing, Lancaster County Conservancy, fschroeder@lancasterconservancy.org, 717-392-7891 x 210. Please send all applications electronically to the email address above.

This grant application **MUST** be submitted with the **City of Lancaster Small Stormwater Projects Application**.

Property Owner's Name:

Property owner:	E-mail:
Project Address:	Phone Number:
Owner Mailing Address:	

Contractor's Name:

Contractor Name:	E-mail:
Address:	Phone Number:

Amount Requested/ Total Project Budget:
Type of Project and technology being utilized: rain garden, dry well, or permeable pavers

Acknowledgment of Terms and Conditions: (Required)

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Authorized Signature:	Please type your name here: Type here
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Budget: Explain the breakdown of the project budget using the below form. Please give as much detail for how the requested grant amount and match will be budgeted. Please include billable time for any labor costs or in-kind services.

Project Budget				
Project Detail		Amount Requested	Matching Funds	Additional Description
Example: Item/ Task: Trees				Ex: Red buds, Magnolia, Sycamore
Ex: Units	Cost/unit			
45 Trees	\$10	Ex: \$ 450	Ex: \$ 450	

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TOTAL PROJECT COST:	\$	
Total Cash Match	\$	
Total In-kind Match	\$	
TOTAL GRANT REQUEST:	\$	