

## Funding and Technical Assistance

Plan implementation is largely based on the availability of funding and/or technical assistance for implementation projects and other plan recommendations. This table describes several potential grant funding and technical assistance resources that may be used to assist with plan implementation.

### Funding and technical assistance resources.

<i>Program</i>	<i>Funding Agency</i>	<i>Funding Amount</i>	<i>Eligibility</i>	<i>Eligible Activities</i>	<i>Website</i>
Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)	USEPA in partnership with Illinois EPA (see below)	Loan program	Local gov't, individuals, citizens (septic systems), not-for-profit groups	Green projects, wastewater treatment, NPS, watershed management, restoration and protection of groundwater.	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf">https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf</a> <a href="https://www.epa.gov/drinkingwatersrf">https://www.epa.gov/drinkingwatersrf</a>
Water Pollution Control Loan Program (WPCLP)	Illinois EPA	Loan program	Typically local gov't	Wastewater infrastructure improvements and stormwater-related projects that benefit water quality [e.g., green infrastructure, water and energy efficiency improvements, other environmentally innovative activities as directed by federal law (see 33 U.S. code 1274)]	<a href="http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/grants-loans/state-revolving-fund/index">http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/grants-loans/state-revolving-fund/index</a>
Public Water Supply Loan Program (PWSLP)	Illinois EPA	Loan program	Typically local gov't	Drinking water infrastructure improvements	
Wetland Program Development Grants	USEPA	n/a	States, tribes, local gov'ts, interstate associations, intertribal consortia	Projects that promote the coordination and acceleration of research, investigations, experiments, training, demonstrations, surveys and studies to protect, manage, and restore wetlands.	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/wetlands/wetland-program-development-grants">https://www.epa.gov/wetlands/wetland-program-development-grants</a>
North American Wetlands Conservation Act – Standard Grants	USFWS	\$100,001-\$1,000,000+ with at least 1:1 matching funds	Tribal, State, or local unit of gov't, non-governmental organization, or individual	Long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefits of all wetlands-associated migratory birds	<a href="https://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act/standard-grants.php">https://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act/standard-grants.php</a>

<i>Program</i>	<i>Funding Agency</i>	<i>Funding Amount</i>	<i>Eligibility</i>	<i>Activities Funded</i>	<i>Website</i>
North American Wetlands Conservation Act – Small Grants	USFWS	Up to \$100,000 with at least 1:1 matching funds	Tribal, State, or local unit of gov't, non-governmental organization, or individual	Long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefits of all wetlands-associated migratory birds	<a href="https://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act/small-grants.php">https://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act/small-grants.php</a>
Environmental Education Grants	USEPA	Up to 75% of project costs; max. award set each cycle (\$91,000 in 2016)	Local, state or tribal education agency, environmental agency, college or university, non-profit org.	Environmental education projects that promote environmental awareness and stewardship. Projects may design, demonstrate, and/or disseminate environmental education practices, methods, or techniques.	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grants">https://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grants</a>
5 Star Wetland and Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program	Nat'l Fish & Wildlife Fndtn	\$10,000 - \$40,000	Non-profit 501(c) orgs, state gov't agencies, local & municipal gov'ts, Indian tribes, educational institutions	Environmental education and training for students, conservation corps, youth groups, citizen groups, corporations, landowners and government agencies through projects that restore wetlands and streams.	<a href="http://www.nfwf.org/fivestar/Pages/home.aspx">http://www.nfwf.org/fivestar/Pages/home.aspx</a>
Brownfields Assessment Grants	USEPA	Up to \$200,000 or \$350,000 with grant limit waiver; \$1,000,000 if a coalition of three or more eligible applicants apply under the name of one coalition member	State gov't agencies, local & municipal gov'ts, Indian tribes	The inventory, characterization, and assessment of brownfields sites contaminated by petroleum and hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants (including hazardous substances commingled with petroleum), as well as conducting planning and community outreach related to brownfield site assessment.	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding#tab-2">https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding#tab-2</a>
Brownfields Cleanup Grants	USEPA	Up to \$200,000 with a 20% cost share per site (max three sites)	Non-profit 501(c) orgs, state gov't agencies, local & municipal gov'ts, Native American tribes, nonprofit educational institutions; must have sole ownership of brownfield site	Cleanup activities at brownfield sites contaminated by petroleum and hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants (including hazardous substances commingled with petroleum)	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding#tab-2">https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding#tab-2</a>

<i>Program</i>	<i>Funding Agency</i>	<i>Funding Amount</i>	<i>Eligibility</i>	<i>Activities Funded</i>	<i>Website</i>
Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Grants	USEPA	Revolving Loan Fund Program	State gov't agencies, local & municipal gov'ts, Indian tribes	Capitalize on a revolving loan fund or to provide subgrants for cleanup activities at brownfield sites contaminated by petroleum and hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants (including hazardous substances commingled with petroleum)	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding#tab-2">https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding#tab-2</a>
Brownfields Area Wide Planning Grants	USEPA	Not specified, funding available every other year	State gov't agencies, local & municipal gov'ts, Native American tribes	Development of an area-wide plan for a specific area affected by high priority brownfield site(s) in need of assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment.	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding#tab-2">https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding#tab-2</a>
Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)	USDA - NRCS	Not more than \$200,000	Private & tribal agricultural lands, grassland, rangeland, pastureland, non-industrial private forest land	Helps agricultural producers maintain and improve their existing conservation systems and adopt additional conservation activities.	<a href="https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/csp/">https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/csp/</a>
Environmental Quality and Incentives Program (EQIP)	USDA - NRCS	Advance payment of up to 50%	Agricultural producers	Planning and implementation of conservation practices.	<a href="https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/eqip/">https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/eqip/</a>
Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG)	USDA - NRCS	Up to \$75,000 under state component	non-Federal governmental or nongovernmental orgs, Native American tribes, individuals	Projects targeting innovative on-the-ground conservation, including pilot projects and field demonstrations.	
Emergency Watershed Protection Program (EWP)	USDA - NRCS	Up to 75% of construction cost of emergency measures	Public and private landowners represented by a project sponsor (e.g., city, county, conservation district, Native American tribe)	Watershed impairments incl. Debris-clogged stream channels; Undermined and unstable streambanks; Jeopardized water control structures and public infrastructures; Wind-borne debris removal; and Damaged upland sites stripped of protective vegetation by fire or drought	<a href="https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/landscape/ewpp/">https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/landscape/ewpp/</a>

<i>Program</i>	<i>Funding Agency</i>	<i>Funding Amount</i>	<i>Eligibility</i>	<i>Activities Funded</i>	<i>Website</i>
Healthy Forests Preserve Program	USDA - NRCS	50%, 75% or 100% of the enrolled land/ cost of conservation practice. Funding based on 10-year or 30-year contract	Private landowners	The program offers 10-year restoration agreements and 30-year permanent easements for specific conservation actions.	<a href="https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/easements/forests/">https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/easements/forests/</a>
Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program	FEMA	Not specified	States, U.S. territories, tribes, local gov'ts	Implementation of a sustained pre-disaster natural hazard mitigation program	<a href="https://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program">https://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program</a>
Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Financial Assistance Program	Illinois EPA	Up to 60% of eligible project costs; minimum 40% local match requirement in cash and/or in-kind services. No set limit on awards.	Any entity that has legal status to accept funds from the state of Illinois, incl. state & local gov'ts, non-profit orgs, citizen & environmental groups, individuals, businesses.	Funds may be used for the development, update, and implementation of watershed-based management plans including the development of information/education programs and for the installation of best management practices.	<a href="http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/watershed-management/nonpoint-sources/grants/index">http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/watershed-management/nonpoint-sources/grants/index</a>
Illinois Clean Lakes Program	Illinois EPA	Phase 1: \$75,000 Phase 2: \$300,000 <i>When funding appropriated</i>	Owners/managers of lakes that have public access.	Two types of grants are awarded: Phase I identifies problems and sources of pollution. Phase II grants support implementation or procedures recommended in the Phase I report to improve water quality.	<a href="http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/monitoring/inland-lakes/index#il2">http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/monitoring/inland-lakes/index#il2</a>
Environmental Education Grants	USEPA	Up to 75% of project costs; max. award set each cycle (\$91,000 in 2016)	Local, state or tribal education agency, environmental agency, college or university, non-profit org.	Environmental education projects that promote environmental awareness and stewardship. Projects may design, demonstrate, and/or disseminate environmental education practices, methods, or techniques.	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grants">https://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grants</a>
Streambank Cleanup and Lakeshore Enhancement (SCALE)	Illinois EPA	\$3,500	Any entity eligible to receive funds from the state.	Provides funds to assist groups that have established a recurring stream or lakeshore cleanup.	<a href="http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/surface-water/scale/index">http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/surface-water/scale/index</a>

<i>Program</i>	<i>Funding Agency</i>	<i>Funding Amount</i>	<i>Eligibility</i>	<i>Activities Funded</i>	<i>Website</i>
Lake Education Assistance Program (LEAP)	Illinois EPA	\$500 <i>When funding available</i>	Schools, colleges, universities, not-for profit organizations	Projects and activities that involve enhance lake and lake watershed education of teachers, students, organizations, or the community	<a href="http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/surface-water/leap/index">http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/surface-water/leap/index</a>
Open Space Lands Acquisition & Development (OSLAD) <i>and</i> federal Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)	Illinois DNR	Up to 50% of approved costs  Maximum \$750,000/ acquisition  \$400,000 development (OSLAD only)  <i>Note: funding not currently appropriated for OSLAD</i>	Local units of gov't	Acquisition and/or development of public outdoor recreation/natural areas and facilities	<a href="https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/aeg/pages/openspacelands/aquisitiondevelopment-grant.aspx">https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/aeg/pages/openspacelands/aquisitiondevelopment-grant.aspx</a>
Illinois Schoolyard Habitat Action Grant Program	Illinois DNR	Up to \$1000	Teachers, nature center personnel, and youth group leaders for pre-K through 12 <sup>th</sup> grade students	Enhancing or establishing and maintaining a schoolyard habitat plot, butterfly garden, rain garden, wetland, nesting platform or watering station; designing/building a bird feeding station; and constructing/installing bat roosting boxes.	<a href="https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Pages/GrantsSHAG.aspx">https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Pages/GrantsSHAG.aspx</a>
Sustainable Agricultural Grant Program	Illinois DOA	Up to \$10,000 for individuals  Up to \$20,000 for units of government, non-profits, institutions.	Organizations , governmental units, educational institutions, non-profit groups, individuals	Practices are aimed at maintaining producers' profitability while conserving soil, protecting water resources and controlling pests through means that are not harmful to natural systems, farmers or consumers.	<a href="https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Resources/Conservation/Pages/default.aspx#h3">https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Resources/Conservation/Pages/default.aspx#h3</a>
Stream Bank Stabilization & Restoration Program	Illinois DOA; Kane-DuPage SWCD	Not specified  Cost share required  <i>When funding available</i>	Proposals must be sponsored by local SWCD	Streambank stabilization using vegetative or other bio-engineering techniques	<a href="http://www.kanedupageswcd.org/conservation.htm#SRP">http://www.kanedupageswcd.org/conservation.htm#SRP</a>
<i>Program</i>	<i>Funding Agency</i>	<i>Funding Amount</i>	<i>Eligibility</i>	<i>Activities Funded</i>	<i>Website</i>

Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program	CMAP	Graduated local contribution requirement	Local gov'ts, nonprofits, intergovernmental organizations	Technical assistance is provided to address local issues including transportation, landuse, housing, natural environment, economic growth and community development.	<a href="http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/programs/LTA">http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/programs/LTA</a>
Water Quality Improvement Program	DuPage Co.	Up to 25% reimbursement of project aspects with a WQ benefit	All DuPage Co. entities	Projects providing a regional water quality benefit, e.g., streambank stabilization, habitat improvements, riparian buffer rehabilitation, etc.	<a href="https://www.dupageco.org/EDP/Stormwater_Management/Water_Quality/1312/">https://www.dupageco.org/EDP/Stormwater_Management/Water_Quality/1312/</a>
Green Infrastructure Assistance Program	MWRD	Not specified Local cost share requirement	Local governmental entities within MWRD's service boundary	Green infrastructure installations on public property designed to prevent stormwater from entering the sewer system by using natural landscaping to manage water and provide environmental and community benefits.	<a href="https://www.mwrdd.org/irj/portal/anonymous/stormwateroverview">https://www.mwrdd.org/irj/portal/anonymous/stormwateroverview</a>
Stormwater Management Phase II (Localized) Flood Control Program	MWRD	Not specified Local cost share requirement	Local governmental entities within MWRD's service boundary	Installation of localized detention, upsizing of critical storm sewers and/or culverts, establishing drainage ways, or the installation of any combination of green and grey infrastructure.	
American Water Environmental Grant Program	American Water	Up to \$10,000	Municipalities, non-profits, schools	Source water and watershed protection projects (e.g., watershed cleanup, habitat restoration, stream buffer restoration, wellhead protection, hazardous waste collection, surface or groundwater protection education)	<a href="https://amwater.com/corp/customers-and-communities/environmental-grant-program">https://amwater.com/corp/customers-and-communities/environmental-grant-program</a>
Green Region Program	ComEd	Up to \$10,000 50% match requirement	Public agencies w/in ComEd's service territory	Open space planning, acquisition, or improvements for local parks, natural areas, and recreation resources.	<a href="https://openlands.org/planning/greenregion/">https://openlands.org/planning/greenregion/</a>
Watershed Management Board Grant	Lake County Stormwater Management Commission	50% match requirement	Watershed Management Board Members	Cost-share grant program to help fund drainage improvement and flood reduction projects.	<a href="https://www.lakecountyl.gov/3635/Watershed-Management-Board-WMB">https://www.lakecountyl.gov/3635/Watershed-Management-Board-WMB</a>
Watershed Management Assistance Grant (WMAG)	Lake County Stormwater Management Commission	Up to \$12,000	Watershed Management Board members	WMAG supports the growth and sustainability (i.e. organizational capacity) of local watershed partnerships.	

