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National League of Cities





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What are nature-based climate solutions?



Nature-based climate solutions at the municipal scale.



Land conservation and management

Prevention of future degradation.

Emissions reductions

Drawing down carbon as an ecosystem service.

Prepare

Leveraging nature as a tool for climate impacts.

Social equity and justice at the core.



- Equitable distribution of ecosystem services.
- Equity based economic opportunities.
- Looking systematically at the whole.



Case Studies

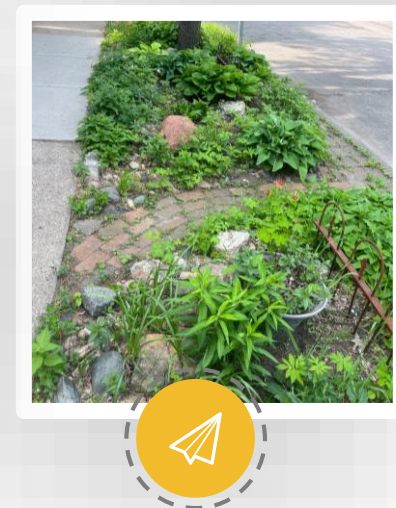
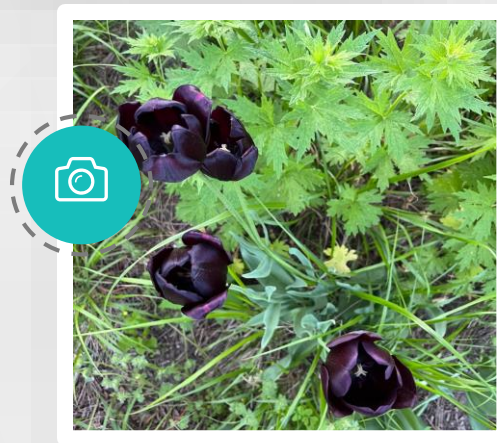


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St. Paul, MN

No Mow May

City of St. Paul's No Mow May policy, which the City Council passed last year in a 6-0 resolution, allows native wildflowers, grasses, vines, and shrubs to flower and take root which supports pollinators like bees and promotes urban soil health.





Benton Harbor, Michigan

Population: 8,843 (2022)

- NOAA's Office of Habitat Conservation BIL and IRA fundings to revitalize Ox Creek.
- Majority Black city, per capital income of \$15,629, Most Benton Harbor residents are out of the workforce, with the majority being 18 or younger, older than 65, or on some form of disability.
- Creek as catalytic project for broad revitalization.



City of Mobile, Alabama

Population: 183,289 (2022)

- National Park Service Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) program BIL funding.
- Upgraded a degraded urban stormwater conveyance into an asset and recreational destination with a fitness parcourse, benches, and open green space.



South Sioux City, Nebraska

Population: 13,706 (2022)

- USDA Urban and Community Forestry Grant
- Activities will include planting and establishing trees in neighborhoods across the city; removing dead, diseased, or structurally unsound trees; updating the city's tree inventory as part of its Community Forest Management plan; and educating the community on the importance of trees.

Networks of support & peer learning



- NLC's Programming including the Smart Surfaces Program and the Greening Schoolyards Initiative.
- Many networks supporting city leadership on climate action, including nature-based climate solutions.
- NLC staff is always happy to connect leaders with the right organization to meet their specific needs. Reach out!

»» **Thank You** ««

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Toward Tree Equity

How Cities are using tree canopy to
advance equitable climate action

May 23, 2024

American Forests is the
oldest national nonprofit
conservation organization in
the United States.

Our Roots Run Deep

We Need Tree Equity in Cities

Neighborhoods with the lowest poverty rates have **double the tree cover per person** and are **6 degrees cooler** than neighborhoods with the highest.

Neighborhoods with the fewest residents of color have **four times more tree cover per person** and are **13 degrees cooler** than neighborhoods with the most.

American Forests, Tree Equity Score, 2024.



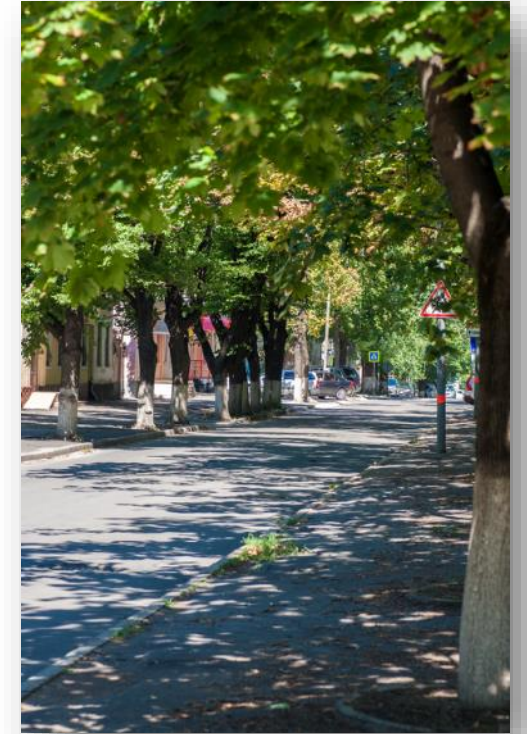
Heat Risk: Lower temperatures by up to 10 deg F at street level

Air Quality: Avoid millions incidents of respiratory illness annually



Sequestration: 129M Mt/CO₂e

Energy Savings: 7.2% average reduction in home heating & cooling, saving homeowners \$\$\$\$



Tree Equity = Climate Action



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Carbon Negative and Cost-Effective Cooling



Sequestration: Trees in U.S. cities & towns capture nearly 130 Million Mt/CO₂e/Year.

Energy Savings: Trees in U.S. cities & towns save 38.8 Million MWh & 246 MMBtus of energy use for heating and cooling.

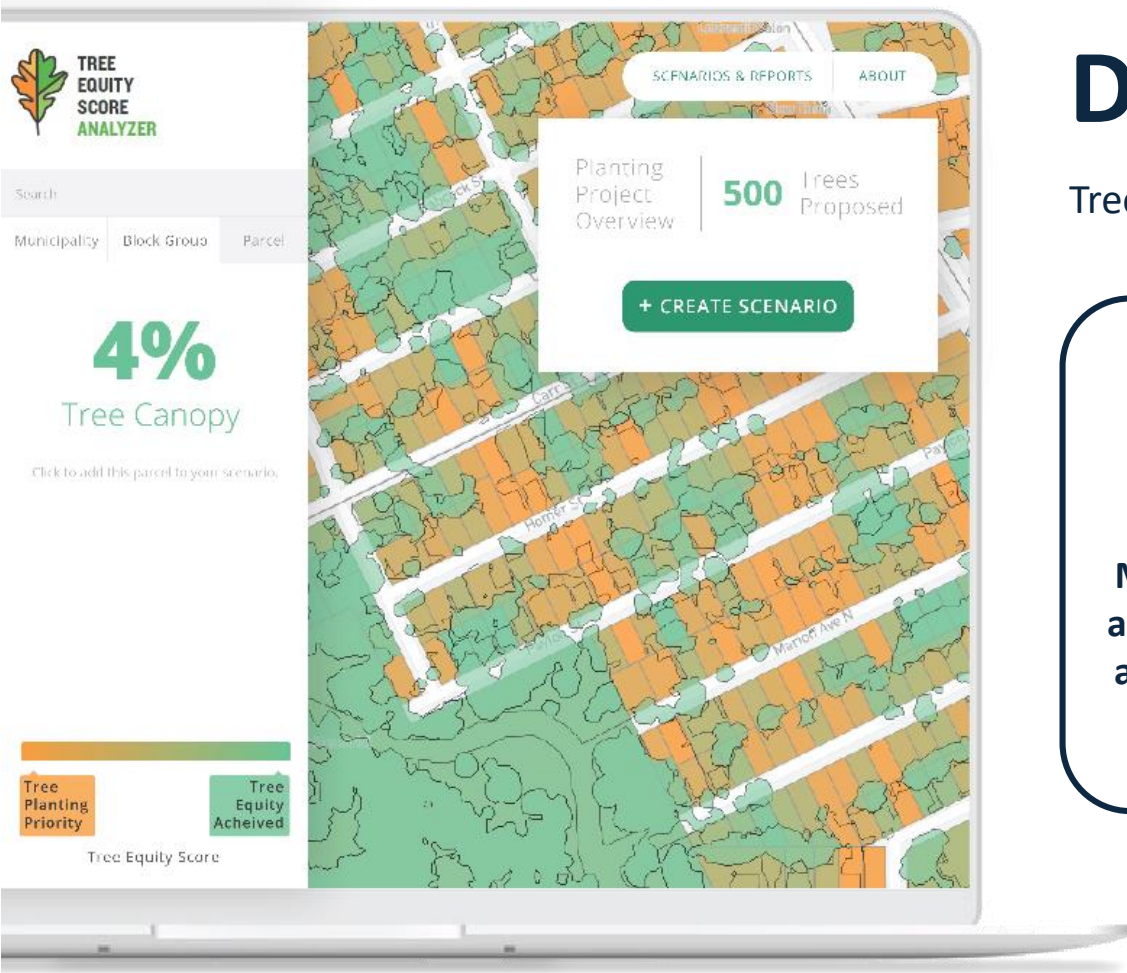


American Forests created Tree Equity Score to help address damaging environmental inequities by prioritizing people-centered investment.

The score sets a national standard to assess how well cities are delivering tree canopy to all residents and to help make the case for investment in areas with the greatest need.

190,000 urban neighborhoods
12,000+ cities and town
80% of the population





Democratizing Data

Tree Equity Score is your toolkit to address inequitable access to urban trees



Make state-of-the-art Tree Equity data and tools available to all



Target meaningful investment in areas with the greatest need

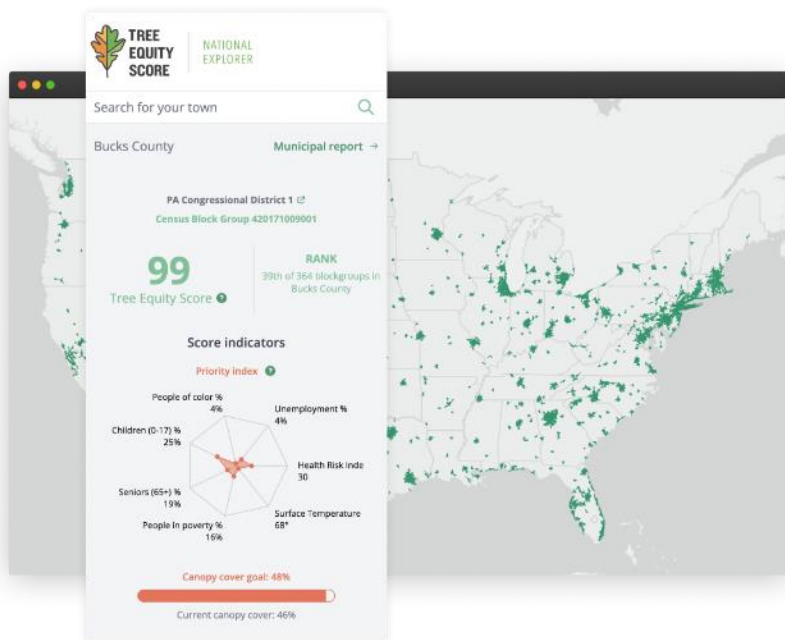


Build a community-led movement for lasting change



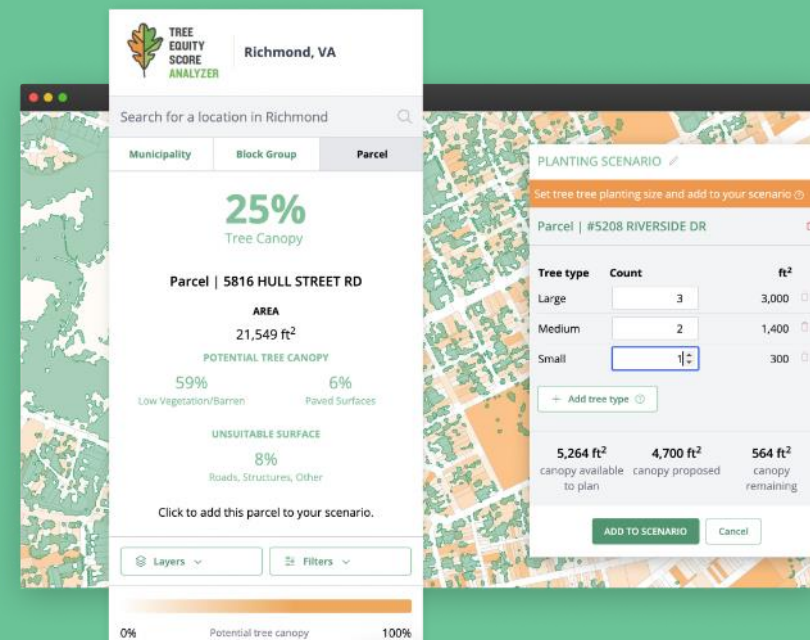
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Our flagship National Explorer makes Tree Equity Score available to all.

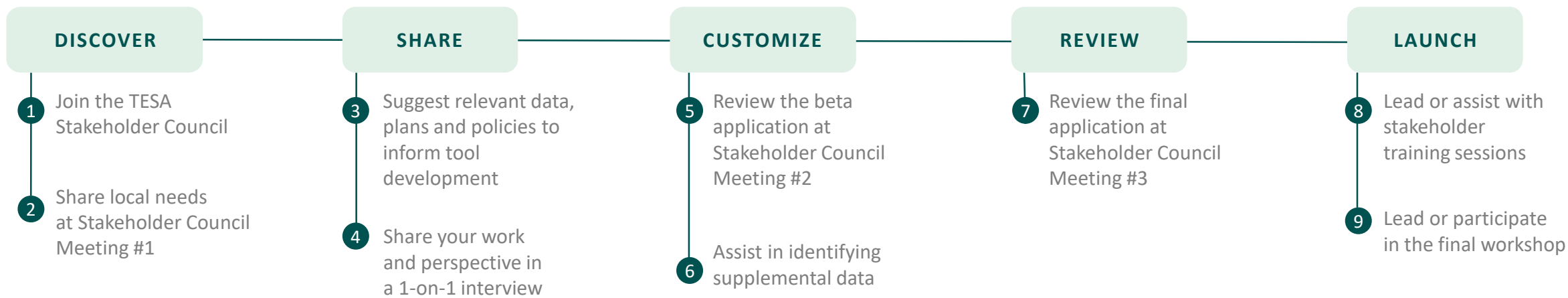
- Scores for 190,000+ urban block groups in the
- A national standard to support equity-first tree planting and investment.
- Neighborhood-level data; municipal and regional goal-setting.
- Communicate the positive impacts of trees.



Local Analyzers serve a single city or region to help users *shift* Tree Equity Scores.

- Data for all public and private properties.
- For each block group (neighborhood), set Tree Equity Score goals and estimate planting needs.
- Build property-level plans to shift scores. Track progress. Communicate the benefits of new and existing trees.
- Co-created with stakeholders; locally-tailored.

Every TESA is co-created with a local Stakeholder Council



Local
Government
Officials



Environmental
Justice
Organizations



Public Health
Officials



Environmental
Organizations



Housing, climate,
transportation, and other
urban forestry allies



Tree Care
Industry
Professionals



Advocates/
Community
Leaders



Social Justice
Organizations

What we do to advance Tree Equity

Creating the best Tools & Techniques

We've identified what communities need, invested in policy, planning, financing & planning tools, and have invited partners to help with the areas that we don't work in, to provide a holistic program model.

Building Careers & Opps

We've created education opportunities, employer best practices, pre-employment training opportunities and supported job retention in the forestry and tree care industries.

Funding a Movement

We've unlocked billions in public funding via federal policy efforts and local private and corporate dollars

Our \$40M Catalyst Fund will drive public and private \$ to new communities.

CLIMATE ADAPTATION ACTIONS FOR URBAN FORESTS AND HUMAN HEALTH



Table 5.—Tree species list developed to aid Rhode Island community forestry practitioners in selecting trees to reduce climate change vulnerability, reduce carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, and provide benefits to human health. It is meant to be a complement to other tree selection resources. Other factors may also need to be considered, such as aesthetics, local site conditions, wildlife value, or nursery availability. Some species may have climate and health benefits but may not be suitable for planting for other reasons, such as having invasive potential or susceptibility to pests or pathogens.

Scientific name	Common name	Climate vulnerability	Carbon benefit	Health benefit	Health disservices	Notes
<i>Abies balsamea</i>	Balsam fir	moderate-high	moderate	moderate-high	moderate	
<i>Acer campestre</i>	Hedge maple	low	low	low	moderate	can be invasive
<i>Acer ginnala</i>	Amur maple	moderate-high	low-moderate	moderate-high	moderate	can be invasive
<i>Acer griseum</i>	Paperbark maple	moderate	low	low-moderate	moderate-high	
<i>Acer negundo</i>	Boxelder	moderate-high	moderate	moderate	moderate	can be invasive
<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Red maple	moderate	high	high	moderate-high	
<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	Silver maple	moderate	moderate	moderate-high	moderate-high	
<i>Acer saccharum</i>	Sugar maple	low-moderate	moderate-high	high	moderate-high	
<i>Acer tartaricum</i>	Tatarian maple	moderate-high	n/a	n/a	moderate	
<i>Acer truncatum</i>	Shantung maple	low-moderate	low	low	moderate-high	
<i>Acer x freemanii</i>	Freeman maple	low-moderate	n/a	n/a	moderate	
<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	Horse chestnut	low-moderate	moderate-high	high	low	can be invasive



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Critical Success Factor: Career Pathways for Those in Need



URBAN FORESTRY CAREER PATHWAY

Certified Arborist

+\$10,000/yr
+\$5/hr

Arborists and urban foresters are responsible for planting and maintaining urban trees, shrubs and woody plants. After gaining some work experience in urban forestry, an International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborist credential can increase your base pay.

Tree Climber

\$40,510/yr
\$19.47/hr

Groundworker

\$32,094/yr
\$15.43/hr

Foreman/Crew Leader

\$54,804/yr
\$26/hr

Urban Forester

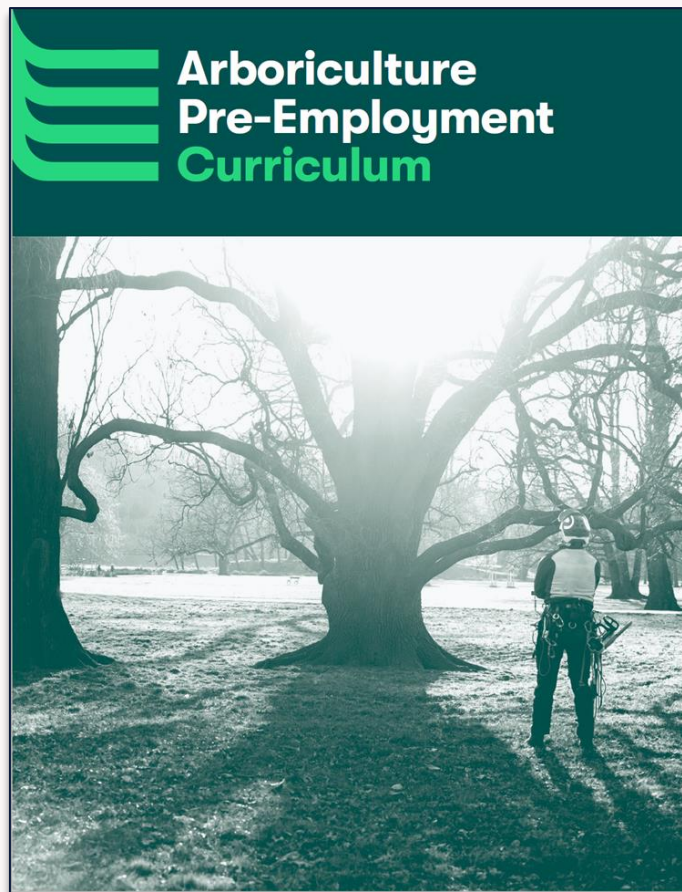
\$68,265/yr
\$32.82/hr

Business Owner

\$100,000/yr
\$48.07/hr



By Removing Key Barriers to Career Opportunities



Our Tree Equity Program Model



Tree Protection

Action Plan

Tree Equity Commitment

Data-Driven Priorities

Community Engagement

Inclusive Partnership



Tree Planting

Tree Nurseries

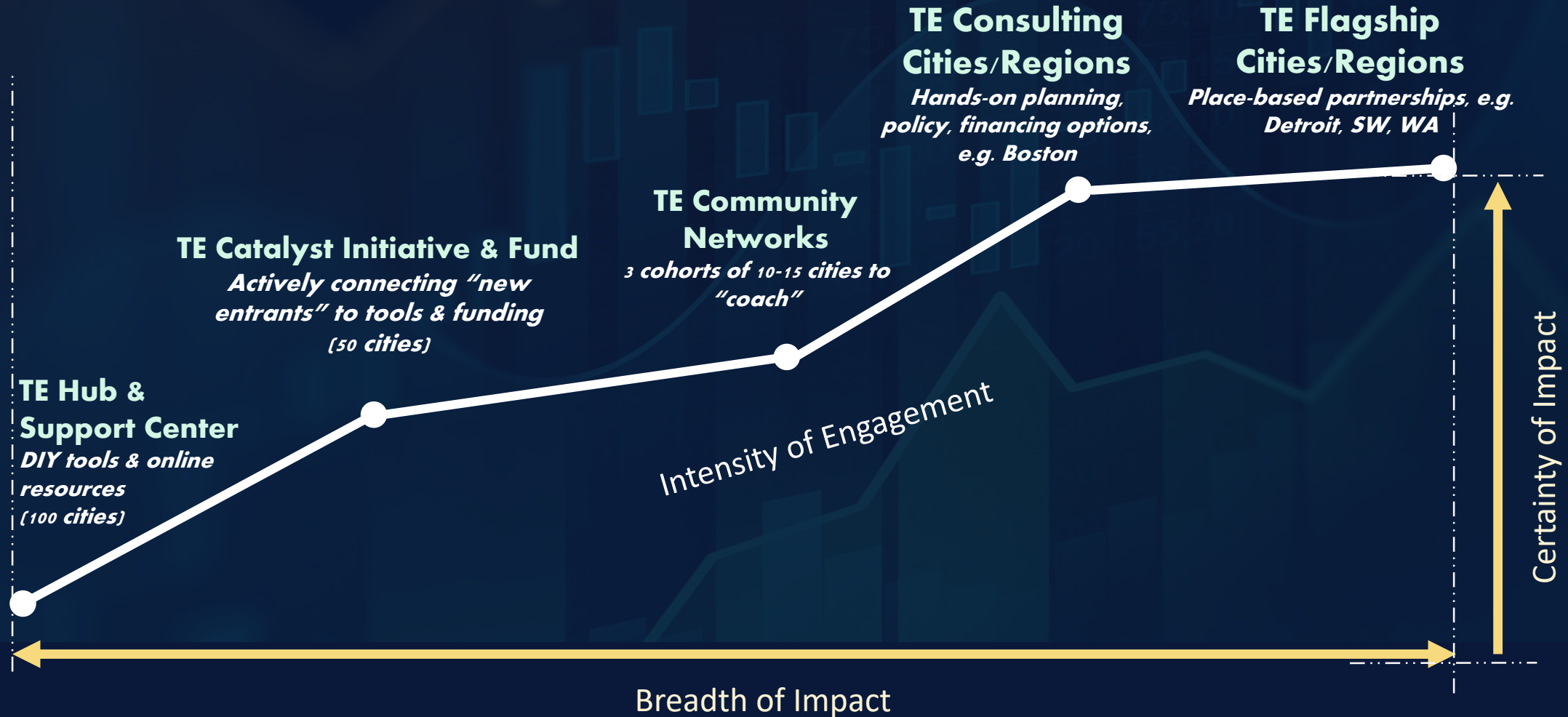


Tree Care

Urban Wood



How we deliver resources to communities: Tree Equity “Support System”



Place Based Partnerships

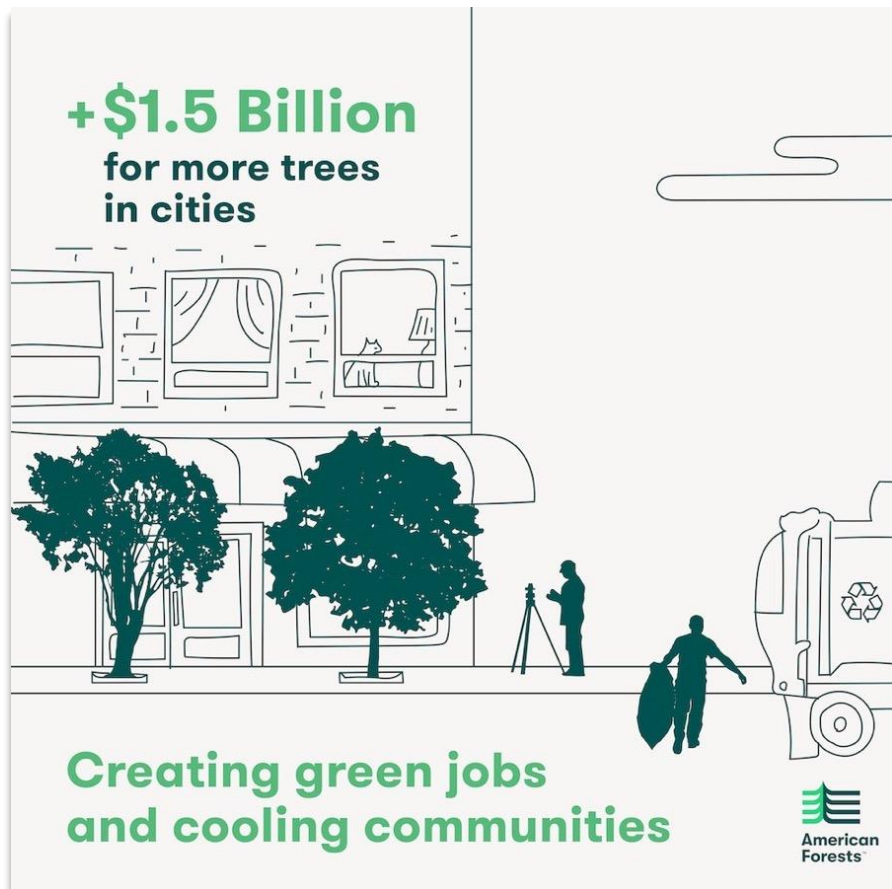


Phoenix Cool Corridors
1st of 100 Cool Corridors



Detroit Tree Equity Partnership
75,000 Trees & 300 Jobs

Critical Success Factor: Ask for Funding at Scale of Need



Tree Equity Policy Framework



Unlock and Sustain Federal **Funding** Streams



Empower Whole of Government Approach to
Build Program Efficiencies & Maximize Impact



Enhance Technical Assistance Delivery to the Field
Utilizing Best in Class Data Driven Decision
Making Tools & Accessible Resources



Thank You!

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City of Flagstaff, Arizona

Equitable, Nature-Based Climate
Resilience Solutions Driven by
Community & Collaboration



Climate change impacts in Flagstaff

- Flooding in August 2021 turned neighborhood roads into raging rivers.
- Flagstaff United School District evacuated schools as they rapidly filled with water.
- Community members worked together to protect homes from severe flooding.



W.F Killip Elementary School Shut Down

- The students were displaced for the 2021-2022 school year
- "It looked like the Grand Canyon rapids running down the street"
- "It was pretty traumatic," said Gayle Gratop, whose offices are across the street from Killip Elementary.



Green School Yards

- Flagstaff was selected to be a member of the Green School Yards (GSY) Program
- Collaboration between the City of Flagstaff, Flagstaff United School District, Terra Birds, and the University of Arizona Extension Program



Children & Nature Network



Cooperative Extension

Killip Pollinator Garden Planting Day (Summer 2022)



Killip Garden (Fall 2018)



Killip Garden (Fall 2023)

Green School Yards

- W.F Killip Elementary School was selected as the first green school yard location in Flagstaff for:
 - Location within a community heavily impacted by climate change
 - Diverse neighborhood and students
 - The school's commitment to serving indigenous community members
 - Long history of growing food for the neighborhood and the need to maintain the school garden in the rebuild
- Educate and inspire youth about environmental stewardship through outdoor, nature-based learning
- **Equitable distribution of community driven climate resilience projects**

Accomplishments

□ Stormwater Infrastructure & Urban Forest Habitat



□ School Garden Club & Junior Master Gardener Program



Accomplishments

- Youth Therapeutic Horticulture Wellness Program



- Pollinator Garden



Accomplishments

- ❑ Composting System & full circle composting with Restoration Soils



- ❑ Raised Garden Beds & Terra Birds youth education



Life Changing Educational Experiences

□ "I kept calling the soil dirt and my daughter kept saying, 'it's not dirt, it's soil, mom.'"

- Killip student parent

□ "I learned how to be kind to plants and to people"

- Killip student

□ "I get so excited about gardening club; I could just scream!"

- Killip student





Life Changing Educational Experiences

- 97% of the Youth Therapeutic Horticulture Wellness Program sessions improved mood for students
- Almost 500 students and 120 teachers were engaged with land stewardship and ecological literacy programs
- Killip students learned through GSY programming how to:
 - Take responsibility for living things
 - Make healthy food choices
 - Manage stress
 - Be resilient
 - Work cooperatively
 - Make scientific observations
 - Share with each other
 - Give to others

Learning Together

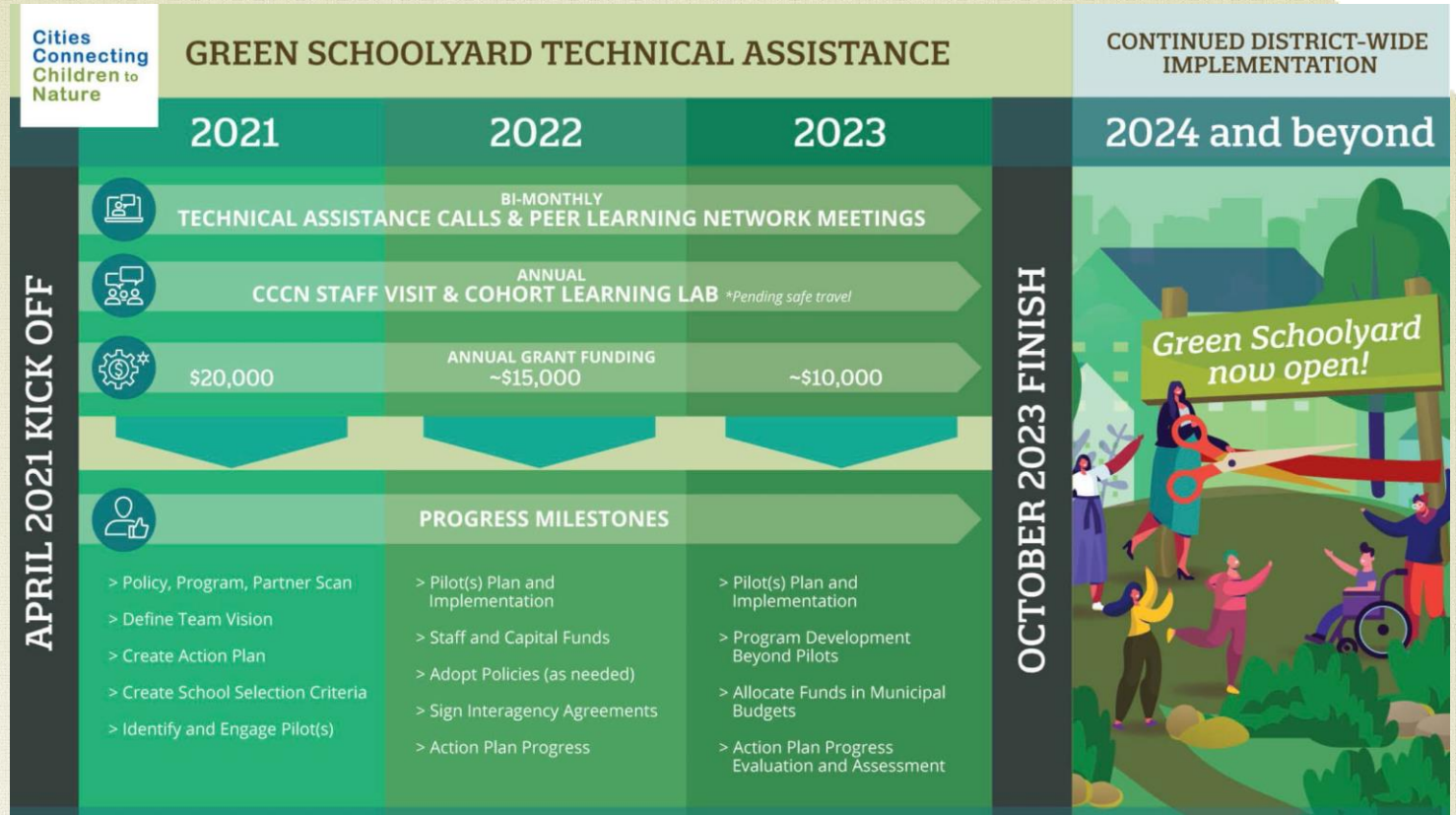
- The 2021 cohort of cities, including Flagstaff, worked on their Green School Yard Projects together
- This collaborative learning system was especially helpful for smaller cities like Flagstaff
 - How to implement GSY with smaller capacity
 - Showed Flagstaff's GSY team what was possible!
 - Provided inspiration for projects

Cities Connecting Children to Nature



Green School Yards Partner Support

- Technical assistance grant provided funding for programming and new infrastructure
- Guidance from CNN staff supported project implementation
- Provided resources for pursuing additional funding opportunities





Opportunities for Growth

☐ Challenges

- ☐ Long-term capacity to sustain programs
 - ☐ Low staff capacity both in small cities and small non-profits
- ☐ Long-term funding to pay for educational programming in the gardens
- ☐ Future climatic challenges
 - ☐ Drought
 - ☐ Fire
 - ☐ Flooding

☐ Federal support is critical and makes a HUGE difference!

- ☐ Continued support for Green School Yards and similar programs
 - ☐ Make projects like this possible for other cities and school districts
- ☐ Federal grants supporting nature-based solutions that trickle down from states to municipalities and non-profits make significant differences



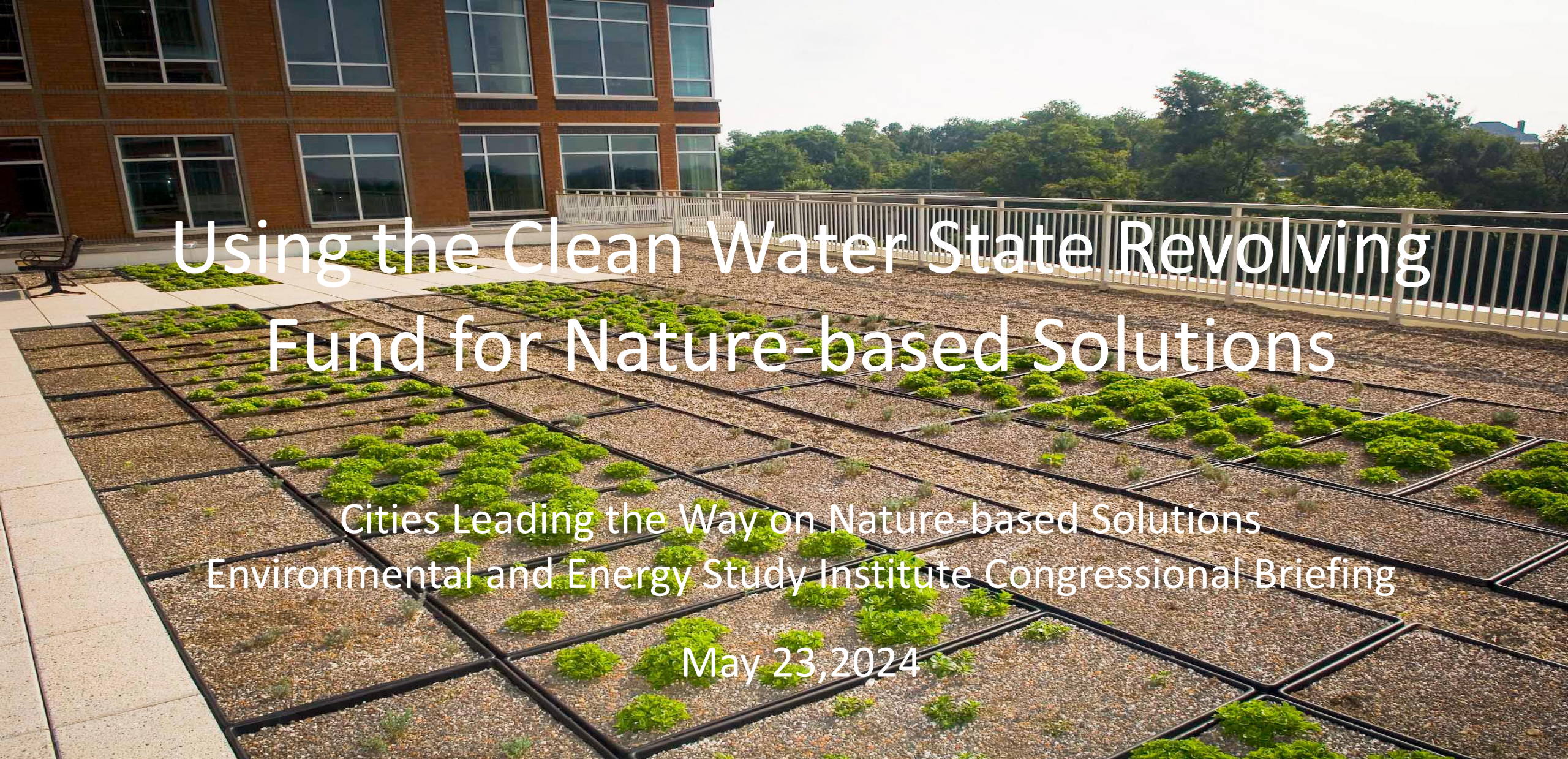
Future Aspirations for Nature-Based Solutions in Flagstaff

Work to improve green school yard infrastructure at Killip Elementary School continues thanks to the work of a dedicated team of community organizations.

Thank You

Mayor Becky Daggett
City of Flagstaff, AZ





Using the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for Nature-based Solutions

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United States
Environmental Protection
Agency

Office of Water

Clean Water State Revolving Fund: Overview

What is the CWSRF?

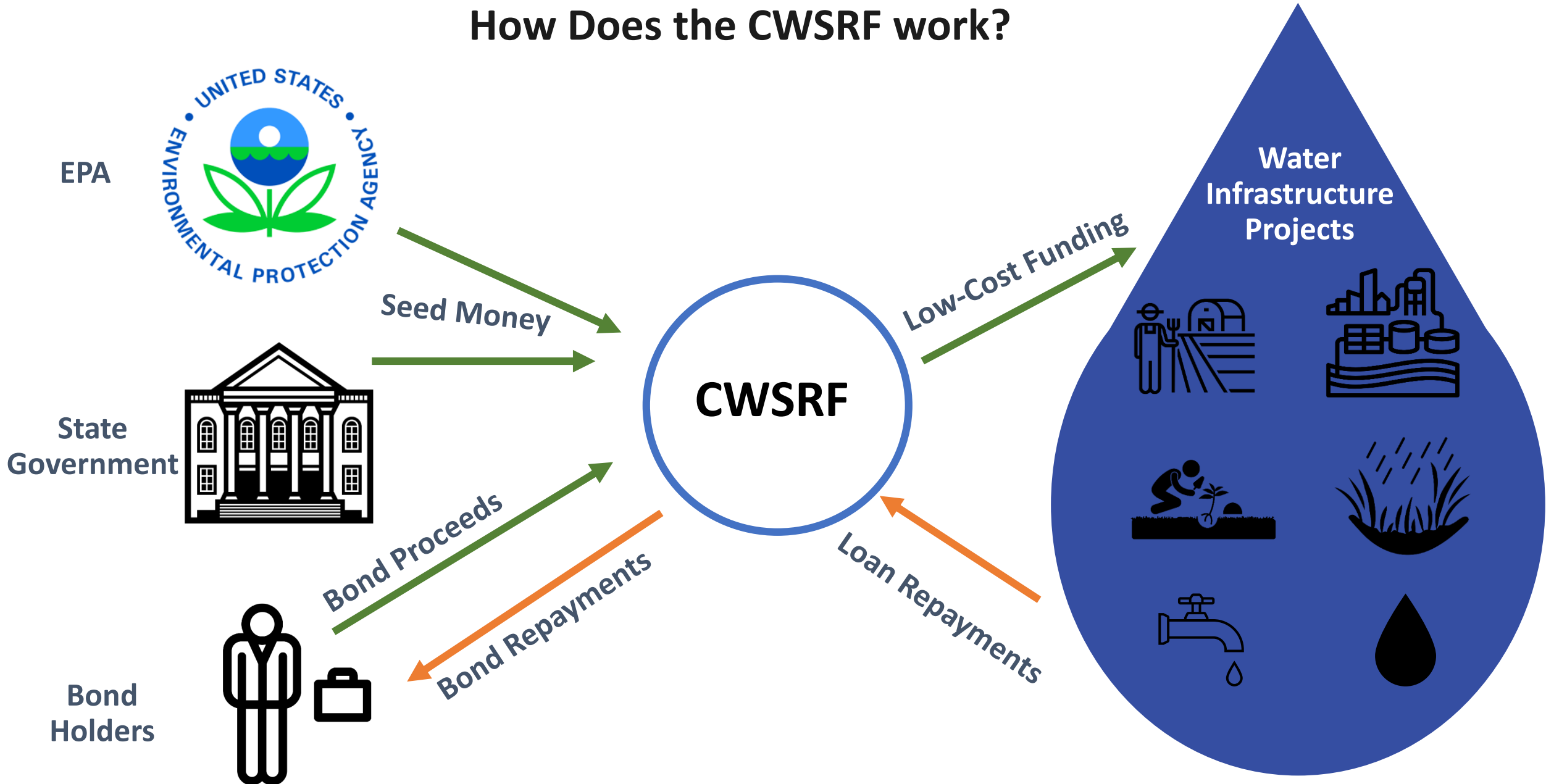
- The Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) is a federal-state program that provides funding and financing to eligible recipients for a wide range of water quality improvement projects.

What is the Purpose?

- To provide government assistance that is intended to reduce the cost of critical public health and environmental infrastructure.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund Overview

How Does the CWSRF work?



Who is Eligible to Use the CWSRF?

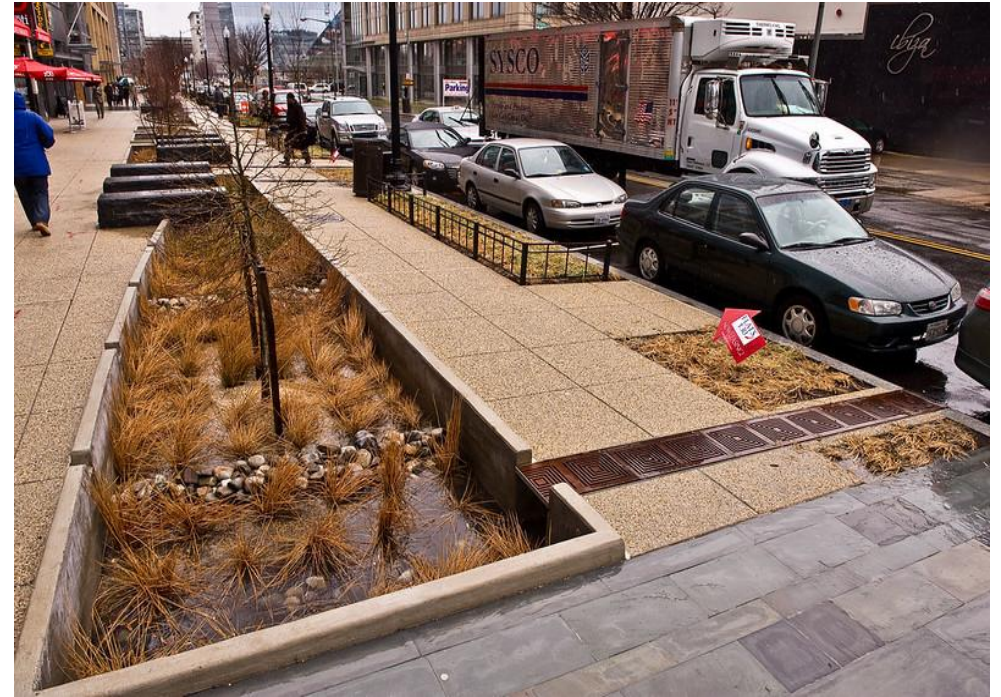
- Municipalities, intermunicipal, interstate, or state agencies.
- Nonprofit entities*
- Private, for-profit entities*
- Watershed groups*
- Community groups*
- Homeowner's associations*
- Individuals*

**Some states do not fund private systems/private entities.*



CWSRF-eligible Nature-based Solution Project Types

- Stormwater bioretention (rain gardens, tree boxes)
- Permeable pavement
- Green roofs, green streets, or green walls
- Conservation Easements or Fee Simple Purchase of Land
- Habitat Restoration/Riparian Buffers
- BMPs to reduce NPS pollution



What Are the Benefits of Using the CWSRF?

- Very low-cost financing
 - Interest rate: 0% to market rate (1.2% average interest rate)
 - Potential availability of additional subsidy (i.e., principal forgiveness, grants)
 - There is no minimum or maximum loan requirement
- Extended loan terms
 - Can go up to 30 years
 - Repayments begin up to 12 months after construction completion
- Can be used as match for grants or bridge-funding until grant funding comes in
- Funding can be paired with other sources (e.g., WIFIA, FEMA, USDA)

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

- Also known as the Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (IIJA).
- Signed by President Biden on November 15, 2021.
- Historic investment in key programs and initiatives implemented by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to build safer, healthier, cleaner communities.
- Includes \$50 billion to EPA to strengthen the nation's drinking water and wastewater systems – the single largest investment in water that the federal government has ever made (\$11.7 billion to CWSRF base funds and \$1 billion to CWSRF emerging contaminants over 5 years).

BIL Implementation Key Priorities

- Increase investment in disadvantaged communities
- Make rapid progress on lead service line replacement
- Address PFAS and emerging contaminants
- Support resilience (including climate resilience and cybersecurity) and One Water innovation
- Support American workers and renew the water workforce
- Cultivate domestic manufacturing

How Do I Apply For Funding?

- Engage with your state [CWSRF](#) program
 - Each state has a process and timeline for applications
 - Discuss funding options to build a plan for your community
 - State SRFs may provide planning and development assistance
- Build an ongoing relationship with the state CWSRF
 - BIL funds are available over a 5-year period (FY 2022-2026)
 - Base SRF programs are ongoing



Project Examples

Green Stormwater Infrastructure Programmatic Financing

Capital Region Water - City of Harrisburg, PA

- CRW developed a CIP for green stormwater infrastructure throughout Harrisburg for the next 4 years.
- CRW received a \$13 million CWSRF loan from the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST) to cover the multi-year cash flow needs.
- Projects may include porous pavement, green roofs, rain gardens, and cisterns.
- Projects will capture urban stormwater runoff before entering the CSO system, reducing the frequency and volume of overflows to the Susquehanna River and Paxton Creek.



Minuteman Causeway Stormwater/Streetscape Improvements

City of Cocoa Beach, FL

- City of Cocoa Beach wanted to reduce nutrients flowing into Banana River Lagoon and further into the Indian River Lagoon system, a designated Estuary of National Significance.
- City used \$1.8 million in financing from the CWSRF, an EPA 319 Nonpoint Source grant, and leveraged funding from several state and county sources for the \$5.2 million project.
- The urban stormwater project removes pollutants through native landscape bioswales/tree filters, underground exfiltration, and pervious pavers, while also revitalizing the local area through aesthetics.



Wetland Stormwater Retention

City of Waynesboro, VA

- To reduce polluted runoff to the South River and the Chesapeake Bay, the City of Waynesboro converted an open field into a wetland stormwater retention system.
- The \$1.7 million project cost was split between a state grant and a CWSRF loan of \$870,376 at 0% interest for 20 years.
- The stormwater ponds retain and delay the flow of excess water while native plants and trees filter and absorb phosphorus and nitrogen from runoff.



Santa Fe River Repair and Bank Stabilization

City of Santa Fe, NM

- In 2018, a historic flood degraded the riverbanks of the Santa Fe River, allowing agricultural runoff and trash to enter the river.
- The City received \$4.2 million in CWSRF funding to restore the river using GI principles and soft engineering (large boulders, revegetation plantings, willow bundles).
- The project reduces stormwater pollution, controls erosion, improves water quality, and restores the health of the river corridor.



Wardola-Thompson School Creek Restoration

City of Jacksonville, NC

- Residential stormwater drainage into the Thompson School Creek watershed was blocked by undersized culverts and a dam, resulting in flooding during heavy rain events. The improper drainage also inhibited fish passage for several anadromous species.
- The City of Jacksonville received \$500,000 from the CWSRF toward the drainage improvement project.
- The project removed the culverts and dam and installed a bridge and enhanced 230 feet of stream buffer through native plantings and a conservation easement.



Bee Branch Creek Project

City of Dubuque, IA

- The City of Dubuque wanted to address a frequent neighborhood flooding issue by replacing a one-mile storm sewer with a daylighted creek and floodplain.
- Nearly half of the project's \$60 million cost came from the CWSRF (including \$6 million in principle forgiveness). The City leveraged other funding from state and federal programs as well as through a municipal stormwater utility fee.
- This stream daylighting project not only protects 1,000 properties, but it promotes a healthy aquatic environment for fish.



Sioux Falls Nonpoint Source Improvement Projects

City of Sioux Falls, SD

- The City of Sioux Falls wanted to improve the conditions of Skunk Creek, a tributary to Big Sioux River which serves as a drinking water source. The Creek was on the state's impaired list for suspended solids.
- The City utilized the CWSRF to obtain low-interest loans to implement nonpoint source projects throughout the 100-year floodplain of the Creek.
- In 2020, over 1,200 acres of riparian area had been enrolled in a Seasonal Riparian Area Management practice, and this has since been expanded to over 3,500 acres. Due to this effort, Skunk Creek was removed from the state's impaired list.



Before (left) and after (right) riparian protection

Haskill Basin Conservation Easement

City of Whitefish, MT

- The City of Whitefish used a \$8.2 million loan from the CWSRF in 2016 for the purchase of a conservation easement on 3,020 acres of land in the Haskill Creek watershed to protect the City's drinking water.
- Additional funds for the total easement cost (\$16.7 million) came from state and federal grants, and the lumber company which agreed to sell the conservation easement at a significant discount below the appraised value. For loan repayment, the City voted to increase its resort tax by 1 percentage point.
- In addition to protecting source water for the City of Whitefish, the project protects wildlife habitat and provides for existing recreational activities.



Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

**Water Quality
Project
Funding**

+

**EPA WaterTA
(EPA's free Water
Technical Assistance)**

EPA WaterTA Supports Communities to:



Identify water challenges



Plan for solutions



Increase community engagement



Improve compliance and access to safe and clean water services



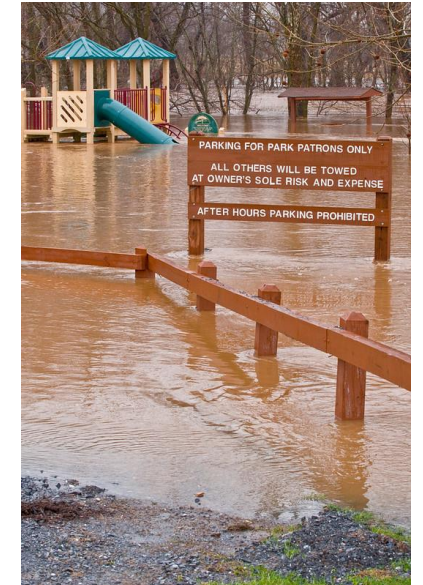
Build technical, financial, managerial capacity



Develop application materials to access water infrastructure funding

Who is eligible to receive Water TA Services?

- Local government/communities
- States/Tribes/territories
- Non-governmental organizations
- Drinking water utilities/systems
- Wastewater utilities/systems
- Stormwater utilities/systems



How can I request WaterTA?

Submit a WaterTA Request Form at epa.gov/WaterTA

The screenshot displays the EPA WaterTA website. At the top, the EPA logo and 'United States Environmental Protection Agency' are visible, along with a search bar and navigation links for 'Environmental Topics', 'Laws & Regulations', 'Report a Violation', and 'About EPA'. The main heading is 'Water Infrastructure' with a 'CONTACT US' link. Below this is the 'Water Technical Assistance Request Form' section, which includes the OMB Control Number (2030-0051), the expiration date (5/31/24), and a brief description of the program. A red box highlights the 'Complete the following form to request Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA)' section, which contains instructions on how to submit a request, including the requirement to provide an email address for confirmation. A red arrow points from the 'Click Here to Request Water Technical Assistance for Your Community' button to the 'WaterTA can help your community address' link in the 'Help for Your Community' section. The 'Resources for WaterTA' section is also visible at the bottom.

All communities deserve access to clean, reliable water. Yet, too many communities in America face challenges in providing safe drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater services to their residents. The [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law](#) presents an unprecedented opportunity to address water infrastructure needs by providing \$50 billion in new funding. This is the largest investment in water in the history of our nation. New and existing [EPA Water Technical Assistance \(WaterTA\) programs](#) will be utilized to support effective implementation of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

What is WaterTA?

EPA's free Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA) program helps communities to identify water challenges, develop plans, build capacity, and develop application materials to request federal infrastructure funding. To implement WaterTA, EPA collaborates with states, local government, community partners, and other key stakeholders. Learn more about [WaterTA programs](#).

Help for Your Community

EPA WaterTA aims to assist communities with applications for federal funding, quality water infrastructure, and reliable water services in partnership with drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater utilities and local government. WaterTA cannot provide direct assistance to federal facilities. Before submitting a request, we encourage you to learn more about [who can receive WaterTA and the challenges WaterTA can help your community address](#). Contact WaterTA@epa.gov if you have any questions regarding your organization's eligibility.

If you include your email address in your submitted form, you will receive a confirmation email. After reviewing your submission, EPA or a technical assistance provider will respond with potential next steps. Response times may vary depending on the volume and types of requests we receive. Many states also offer WaterTA programs. Thus, EPA may share your request with the appropriate state agency in an effort to provide the best, most timely assistance.

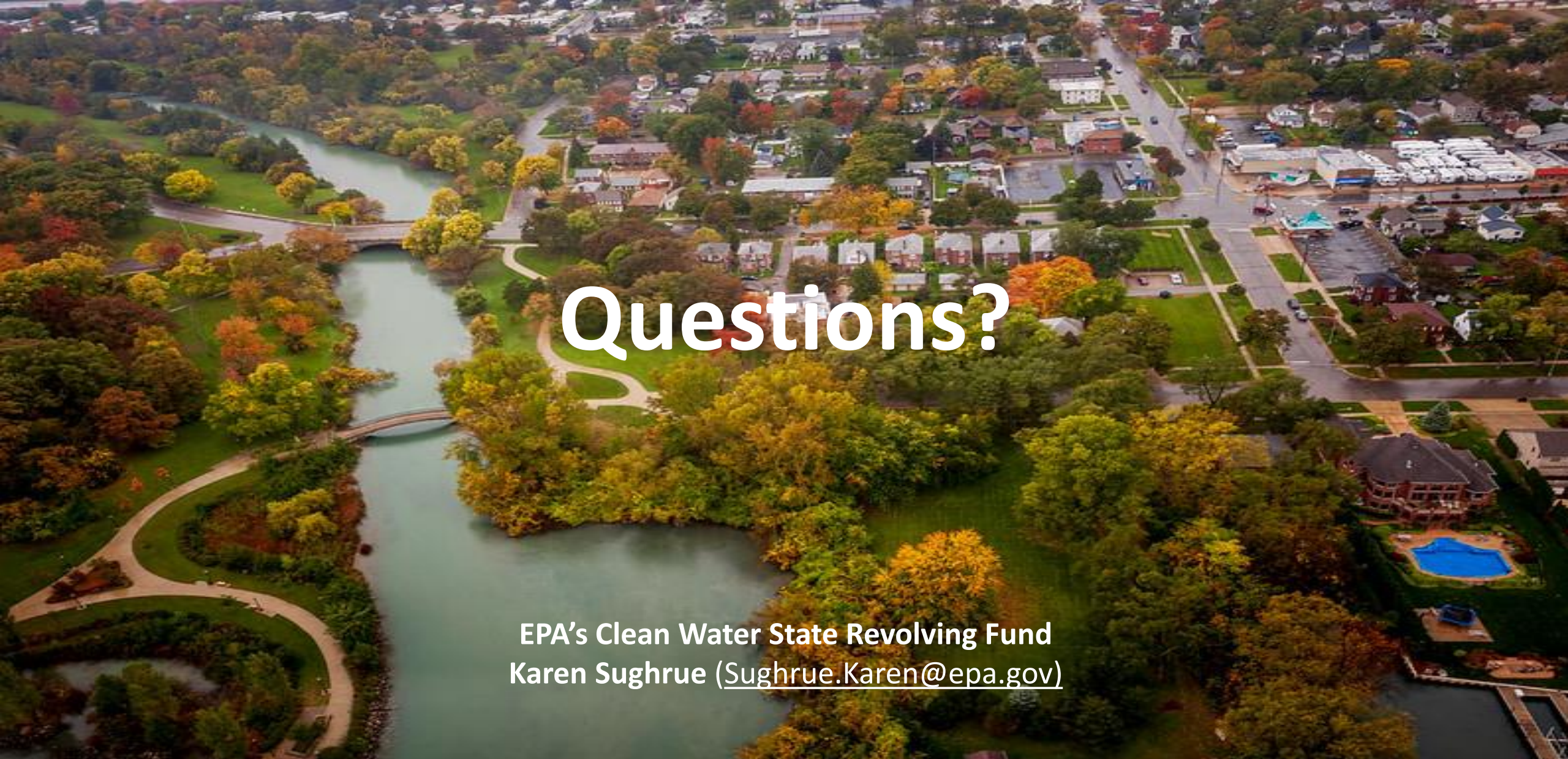
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Resources for WaterTA

- [WaterTA Informational Webinar](#) (July 31, 2023)
- [WaterTA Community Fact Sheet \(pdf\)](#) (175.56 KB, May 2023, 830-F-23-006) – General information for the public on WaterTA.

An aerial photograph of a park area with a winding river, surrounded by trees with autumn foliage and a residential neighborhood in the background. The word "Questions?" is overlaid in large white text.

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