



# CAPE COASTAL CONFERENCE

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## Grant opportunities to fund components of watershed plans in Massachusetts.

Grant Program Name	Funding Organization	Program Description	Typical Funding Cycle	Program Website	Program Contact(s)
Coastal Habitat and Water Quality Grants (CHWQ)	Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management	CHWQ Grants provide financial resources for projects within the coastal watershed that will improve or protect water quality and habitat through the remediation or prevention of non-point sources of pollution, specifically stormwater, and through activities to support comprehensive habitat restoration planning.	Spring, annually	<a href="https://www.mass.gov/info-details/coastal-habitat-and-water-quality-grants">https://www.mass.gov/info-details/coastal-habitat-and-water-quality-grants</a>	Kathleen Mason, <a href="mailto:kathleen.mason@mass.gov">kathleen.mason@mass.gov</a>
Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Program	MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs	The Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness grant program (MVP) provides support for cities and towns in Massachusetts to begin the process of planning for climate change resiliency and implementing priority projects. The state awards communities with funding to develop equitable and action-oriented resiliency plans. Communities who complete the MVP program become certified as an MVP community and are eligible for MVP Action Grant funding.	Early Spring, annually	<a href="http://resilient.mass.gov/mvp/">http://resilient.mass.gov/mvp/</a>	Courtney Rocha, <a href="mailto:courtney.rocha@mass.gov">courtney.rocha@mass.gov</a>
Section 604(b) Water Quality Management Planning Grant Program	Nonpoint Source (NPS) Management Section, MassDEP	Section 604(b) of the Clean Water Act provides grants to determine the nature, extent, and causes of water quality issues and to develop plans to restore or protect water quality pursuant to the CWA and Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards.	Annual	<a href="https://www.mass.gov/info-details/grants-financial-assistance-watersheds-water-quality">https://www.mass.gov/info-details/grants-financial-assistance-watersheds-water-quality</a>	Padmini Das, <a href="mailto:padmini.das@mass.gov">padmini.das@mass.gov</a> Judith Rondeau, <a href="mailto:judith.rondeau@mass.gov">judith.rondeau@mass.gov</a>

Section 319 Nonpoint Source Competitive Grants Program	Nonpoint Source (NPS) Management Section, MassDEP	Section 319 of the CWA provides grants for implementation projects that address the prevention, control, and abatement of nonpoint source (NPS) pollution.	Biannual, next cycle 2025	<a href="https://www.mass.gov/info-details/grants-financial-assistance-watersheds-water-quality">https://www.mass.gov/info-details/grants-financial-assistance-watersheds-water-quality</a>	Padmini Das, <a href="mailto:padmini.das@mass.gov">padmini.das@mass.gov</a>  Judith Rondeau, <a href="mailto:judith.rondeau@mass.gov">judith.rondeau@mass.gov</a>
Watershed Implementation Grants (SWIG)	Southeast New England Program (SNEP), EPA	SWIG is a competitive grant program, funded by EPA, which awards approximately \$3M each year for projects to restore clean water, healthy ecosystems and sustainable communities in Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts. Individual grants range from \$20,000 to \$500,000 in federal funding with 33% non-federal match required (cash or in-kind). We fund a diverse range of environmental projects & programs at any stage of development or implementation, favoring holistic, partnership-based approaches.	Late winter, annually	<a href="http://www.snepgrants.org">www.snepgrants.org</a>	Thomas Ardito, <a href="mailto:tardito@estuaries.org">tardito@estuaries.org</a>
Multiple Funding Opportunities	Buzzards Bay National Estuary Program	The Buzzards Bay National Estuary Program, a planning and technical assistance unit of the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management, makes funding available to assist eligible Buzzards Bay watershed municipalities to meet the goals and objectives of the Buzzards Bay Comprehensive Conservation Management Plan.	Varies by program	<a href="https://buzzardsbay.org/our-program/funding/">https://buzzardsbay.org/our-program/funding/</a>	Joe Costa, <a href="mailto:joe.costa@mass.gov">joe.costa@mass.gov</a>
MassBays Healthy Estuaries Grant Program	Massachusetts Bays National Estuary Partnership	With funding from the EPSA under Section 320 of the Clean Water Act, the MassBays Healthy Estuaries Grant Program provides small grants to communities, nonprofit organizations, and research institutions for projects that advance progress toward the goals of the MassBays Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.	Biannual, next cycle posted in January/February 2026	<a href="https://massbays.org/healthy-estuaries-grant-program/">https://massbays.org/healthy-estuaries-grant-program/</a>	Prassede Vella, <a href="mailto:Prassede.Vella@umb.edu">Prassede.Vella@umb.edu</a>