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**TWENTY-ONE POLLUTION PREVENTION PROJECTS FUNDED**

**(Harrisburg)** – Today, Pennsylvania’s County Conservation Districts were awarded nearly \$37,000. With this funding, twenty-one pollution reduction projects will take place in twenty counties. These projects promote water pollution prevention activities through the Non-point Source (NPS) Pollution Prevention Educational Mini-Grant Program. The projects will take place through May 2025.

“We are thrilled to announce the recipients of the NPS mini-grants. With this funding, conservation districts will be able to focus on topics important to their county. They will teach citizens how they can make a difference for clean water and health soil.” said Brenda Shambaugh, Executive Director for the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts (PACD).

Funding for the grants, up to \$2,000 each, is provided through the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act, administered by the US Environmental Protection Agency. A description of the projects funded in the past is available at [www.pacd.org](http://www.pacd.org) under the Education tab.

The 2024-25 NPS Pollution Prevention Educational Mini-grant round will fund the following projects:

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<b>Conservation District</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Funding</b>
Beaver	Stormwater Help for Homeowners	\$2,000
Cambria	Agriculture Immersion Lab at the American Legion County Fair	\$2,000
Centre	Rain Barrel Workshop for Homeowners	\$950
Clearfield	Manure Management Plan, Ag E&S Plan, & Ag BMP Workshop	\$2,000
Cumberland	Cumberland County Conservation District Rain Barrel Workshop	\$2,000
Elk	Nonpoint Source Pollution Workshops	\$1,500
Franklin	2024 Summer Conservation Farm Tour	\$2,000
Jefferson	Farmer Workshop	\$1,300
Juniata	Juniata County Ag Best Management Practice Tour	\$1,880
Juniata	Eastern Hellbender Lecture and Stream Restoration Tour	\$1,685
Lawrence	Catch Stormwater with Rain Barrels	\$2,000
Lebanon	2025 Lebanon County Rain Barrel Workshop: Water Quality 101	\$2,000
Lehigh	Demystifying Microplastics	\$1,340
Luzerne	Retain the Rain - A Stormwater Solution	\$2,000
Montgomery	NPS Pollution Prevention and Watershed Awareness Field Trip	\$1,000
Pike	Barrels & Breakfast	\$1,997
McKean	Water Quality Education Program	\$2,000
Snyder	Ag. BMP Tour	\$2,000

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Venango	2025 Venango Rain Barrel Workshop	\$2,000
Washington	Washington County Conservation District Rain Barrel Event	\$1,600
Westmoreland	Pedaling for Conservation	\$1,700

Click here for a summary description of each project: <https://tinyurl.com/2024-25NPS>

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