Keep Maryland Beautiful 2020 Award Recipients

Citizen Stewardship Grants:

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describes your project.	County
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Partner with local communities by providing hands-on educational programs at libraries and schools with the goal that we plant the seeds for the next generation to be inspired and empowered so they can make a difference.	Prince George's County
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Educational tanks placed within HDG Elementary and Middle School allows students to monitor wetland plants as they mature and identify impacts plants have on water quality. Floating wetlands will act as an outdoor educational tool and green-infrastructure around the shoreline. Severna Park Elementary School (SPES) will execute	Harford County Anne Arundel
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	school courtyard into an outdoor classroom with project- based learning centers and exploration areas that offer interactive educational space for children.	County
Silver Creek Middle School	Install tree identification signs and remove invasive species from the Forest Conservation Area on our school grounds, in order to protect the trees and educate students and the community.	Montgomer y County
Town of North Beach	The Town of North Beach Conservation Ambassador program will engage two youth stewards to empower youth, adults and seniors along with the Town of North Beach Environmental Committee with outreach programs towards environmental awareness of the ecology, conservation and wildlife that will educate and market the environment along the Bay in the Town.	Calvert County
University of Maryland Extension - St. Mary's County	University of Maryland Extension is collaborating with St. Mary's County Commission on the Environment to host an Environmental Stewardship event designed to educate and provide resources to residents while encouraging responsible storm water and waste management practices in our community.	St. Mary's County

Janice Hollmann Grant:

Name of Land Trust:	Please provide a brief summary (40 words or less) that describes your project.	County
	Baltimore Green Space will increase preservation of greenspaces within Baltimore's Opportunity Zones.	
	Funds will also support expert guidance on fundraising strategies which will strengthen the Trust's long-term	
Baltimore Green	sustainability, and ability to hire and retain talented	Baltimore
Space	staff.	City
	The Charles Koiner Center for Urban Farming (CKC	
	Farming) will create a Strategic Conservation Plan for	
Charles Koiner	expanding its urban agricultural stewardship portfolio	
Center for Urban	beyond Koiner Farm, which is its flagship property held	
Farming (CKC	under easement jointly with MET since September	Montgomer
Farming)	2019.	y County
Conservancy for	The project supports execution of our 2020 Stewardship	Charles
Charles County	Program for 27 easements and one fee property in	County
	conformity with Land Trust Alliance (LTA) standards	

	and practices. In addition, it supports our continuing	
	membership in LTA.	
	ESLC is will implement drone technology to build	
	efficiency in completing portfolio monitoring to deal	
	with limited capacity. Additionally, visuals from the	
	drone technology will improve the quality and	
Eastern Shore Land	frequency of communication materials across all	Talbot
Conservancy	programs.	County
,	HLT requests funds to support our efforts to improve	
	stewardship and defense of conservation easement and	
	to attaining LTA accreditation by 2021. Additionally,	
	HLT requests funds for the continuing professional	
	development of our Executive Director and newly hired	
	Communications & Development Manager. These	
	requests are supported by HLT's 2017-2022 Strategic	Harford
Harford Land Trust	Plan.	County
Trainer Earla Trast	The Conservancy will encourage current easement	County
	holders to increase their property's ecosystem value	
	through educational hikes and onsite consultations.	
	Additionally, the Conservancy will build organizational	
	capacity by incorporating new technology into	
Howard County	monitoring and training a new cohort of volunteer	Howard
Conservancy	monitors.	County
Conscivancy	momors.	County
	This total project is about outreach and building the next	
	generation of land stewards, volunteers, and resource	
	managers. LSLT is building a new image with fresh	
Lower Shore Land	brochures, newsletter, and uniform vests- all for	Worcester
Trust	building new volunteers and relationships.	County
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	Scenic Rivers funding will fall into two project	
	categories: Enhanced Land & Easement Stewardship,	
G . B	and Strategic Land Conservation. This project would	Anne
Scenic Rivers Land	continue our successful outreach strategies and support	Arundel
Trust	stewardship of 100% of our easements.	County

Clean Up & Green Up Maryland Grant:

Name of	Please provide a brief summary (40 words or less) that	
Organization:	describes your project.	County

40 West Assistance and Referral Center, Inc.	This grant will be used to reduce plastic bag litter in the 21207 and 21229 zip codes. We will provide reusable grocery bags to clients of our food pantry, schedule neighborhood clean- up days and share tips for promoting environmental stewardship with our clients.	Baltimore City
Alice Ferguson Foundation	Funding will support a cleanup site leader training in Maryland that will empower individuals to beautify their neighborhood and engage their fellow residents in community-based stewardship.	Prince George's County
Annapolis Arts District	Relandscape Westgate Circle to beautify one of the gateway entrances to the Annapolis Arts District and downtown Annapolis.	Anne Arundel County
Annapolis Green, Inc.	Cigarette butts, the most-found marine debris item in every waterside cleanup are made of plastic. Most people don't know that. This grant will fund a public education campaign designed to inform, change the "flick-it" habit, and hold a kickoff event.	Anne Arundel County
Antietam- Conococheague Watershed Alliance	The Antietam-Conococheague Watershed Alliance will continue a second year of our "Trees not Trash" program in the City of Hagerstown. We will engage neighborhoods in trash cleanups and street-tree plantings and promote the benefits of urban trees.	Washington County
Arundel Rivers Federation	This project will fund the beautification and greening of a County park through trash pickup and planting.	Anne Arundel County
Bahama Beach Improvement Association	Green up the Bahama Beach Community Playground and beach area.	Anne Arundel County
Baltimore City Department of Public Works	To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day, DPW will be organizing beautification and greening activities to benefit the Harlem Park community in Baltimore City and provide service learning on environmental stewardship practices to Augusta Fells Savage students.	Baltimore City
Bel Air Downtown Alliance	Our projects address beautification within Downtown Bel Air to include plantings and flower beautification, mini grants for businesses, and a mural project on the crosswalks.	Harford County
Beyond the Classroom, Inc.	The Love Where You Live Project provides environmental workshops, community clean-ups and beautification activities. We will continue playing an integral role in educating youth and their families to be good stewards and make positive impacts to improve	Charles County

	the environment.	
Calvert County Parks & Recreation	This project will establish an Adopt-A-Park program in Calvert County to allow community groups and local businesses to get involved with keeping our parks and beaches clean through volunteer service.	Calvert County
Cecil County Parks and Recreation Department	In coordination with local non-profits in Cecil County, Maryland the Cecil County Parks and Recreation Department will put funding towards a volunteer effort to clean up and beautify two of our local parks: Brantwood and Calvery Parks.	Cecil County
Charles Village Community Benefits District Management Authority	The Alley Beautification and Illegal Dumping Campaign is a community engagement project that utilizes education, code enforcement, community engagement and public art installations, to deter illegal dumping while curating a public space for community use. This campaign will yield a clean, walkable, safe space for pedestrians, children to play, and neighbors to gather.	Baltimore City
City of Bowie	The City of Bowie plans to start an Adopt-A-Road program on City-owned streets in partnership with local businesses. The program will increase visibility of litter mitigation efforts and encourage residents to directly contribute to overall litter prevention and removal.	Prince George's County
City of Laurel Department of Economic and Community Development (Laurel Main Street)	For the City of Laurel's 150th Anniversary in 2020, we have themed the month of April as "Laurel is Green". We will host community events like cleanups, tree plantings, and unveil new flowers on Main Street.	Prince George's County
City of Westminster	Keep Westminster Blooming, is a project aimed at improving the appearance of Main Street. Funds will be used to purchase planters to extend green space and an awareness campaign that encourages volunteerism and community ownership of Main Street Commercial District.	Carroll County
County United Way, Inc.	The annual United Way Day of Caring & Sharing in Cumberland, MD is a community-wide cleanup and beautification project led by County United Way, serving Allegany County. It is a one-day event with a focus on the City of Cumberland.	Allegany County

Crisfield Arts & Entertainment District	The Crisfield Arts & Entertainment District Project and Smith Island United will hold a volunteer community cleanup. Funds will rent dumpsters to place throughout Crisfield. For Smith Island, funds will rent a barge to transport the trash to the mainland.	Somerset County
Deep Creek Watershed Foundation	This request for \$4,000 is for Deep Creek Watershed Foundation's "Storm Water Management Program". Specifically, this will fund the initial phase of community education in residential storm water management techniques, with a rain capture barrel distribution event.	Garrett County
Downtown Annapolis Partnership	To add landscaping to Memorial Circle on Main Street in downtown Annapolis. Most of this circle is not currently landscaped.	Anne Arundel County
Downtown Denton Main Street, Inc	Revitalizing Denton Community Garden and Artsway Pathway	Caroline County
Downtown Frederick Partnership	Downtown Frederick Partnership is requesting support for the following: brooms (to provide during Bring a Broom Saturday), cigarette ash urns (to provide to businesses), butt receptacles (to be installed on trashcans) and rubber mulch to be installed in tree wells.	Frederick County
Dundalk Renaissance	The Vibrant Dundalk Project will focus on the improvements needed in the Historic Dundalk Town Center. In the project we plan to focus on beatification on two parts and increasing walkability in our main street through solar lighting.	Baltimore County
Eastside Community Garden	Continued viability of the garden requires replacement of the materials which support its raised beds.	Baltimore City
Ellicott City Historic District Partnership	ECP Keeping OEC Beautiful - this grant will be used to do maintenance and upkeep on green areas in OEC such as the Girl Scout Garden and Lot D plantings.	Howard County
Friends of Wyman Park Dell	Install park amenities (picnic tables and trash can) in Wyman Park Dell.	Baltimore City
Fusion Partnerships, Inc. (Whitelock Community Farm) Galena Tree and Park	Funds from the Clean Up and Green Up grant will help sustain and build our existing partnership with Dorothy I. Height Elementary and support our Farm staff's work in implementing the YouthWorks program, community workshops, and the workshare training program. Galena Park and Tree Committee will help students at	Baltimore City Kent County
Committee	Galena Elementary design, paint, and assemble 55-	

gallon barrels into waste receptacles with attached planters. We will organize 2 trash cleanups, and distribute reusable shopping bags and compostable items for businesses.	
GPCA has a main yearly clean up of our roads and surrounding areas of our community. GPCA also does stream testing and monitoring the quality of the water within our boundaries.	Baltimore County
This grant will allow HDG to become an affiliate of KMB and will also procure trees to green and beautify a key gateway into the city.	Harford County
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Funds are requested to assist in a clean-up and beautification project in the Frostburg designated Main Street District.	Allegany County
The purpose of the project proposed here is to help our citizens remove abandoned vehicles from their properties.	Somerset County
Our 20th Annual River Sweep is a volunteer shoreline and roadside clean-up in honor of Earth Day, in Harford and Cecil Counties. To date, thousands of volunteers have removed over 114 tons of trash/debris from the Upper Bay region.	Harford County
Funding from a Clean Up & Green Up grant will help Loyola University Maryland support the York Road Partnership's Public Spaces & Greening Committee and its beautification efforts by directly supporting the York Road Community Days and the Community Toolbank.	Baltimore City
We will purchase four recycling receptacles with lids and one trash receptacle to fill gaps in the town's coverage and thus prevent littering and promote recycling.	Kent County
A marine debris outreach, education and engagement campaign focused on "Ghost" crab pots that will simultaneously promote the use of By-Catch Reduction devices for crab pots. The campaign will culminate with a Ghost Pot and marine debris removal event. Our group plans to work with the East End	Worcester County Talbot
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Community Foundation d/b/a Easton Business Alliance	Neighborhood Association and the Town of Easton public works to do litter clean up around the Main Street district, repaint and replant community garden, place new trash can, new planters, and be certified by Keep America Beautiful.	County
Montgomery Parks Foundation	The Volunteer Cleanup Program (the "VCP") will improve up to 250 cleanups by maximizing the efforts of Montgomery Parks' 5,000+ volunteers using new tools and the work of multi-generations, to remove approximately 55 tons of trash and recyclables.	Montgomery County
Mount Clare Community Council Inc	A professional urban landscaping company will develop a green space that will deter pedestrian littering, illegal dumping, and divert trash from accumulating in the neighborhood's storm drains and entering local waterways.	Baltimore City
NeighborSpace of Baltimore County	This funding will be used to implement our design plan at Cherry Heights Woodland Garden in Overlea. This will include the permeable polymer trail, woodchip trail and surrounding mulch area.	Baltimore County
No One Left Unhelped Inc	NOLU is applying for \$5000 in project support for community cleanups, beautification, and environmental education projects that work together to increase knowledge on city services and reduce pollution in communities by 50%. Funding will partially support supplies and educational material.	Baltimore City
Old Takoma Business Association/ Main Street Takoma	Install protective and decorative tree fences around tree beds on our main street.	Montgomery County
Piney Orchard Community Association	The Piney Orchard community comprises more than 3500 housing units. The common thread is woven tightly into the fabric of "community" by the Piney Orchard Nature Preserve. This treasure needs trail blazes fixed and old debris removed.	Anne Arundel County
Reisterstown Improvement Association	Historic Reisterstown has a hidden treasure just a block from Main Street. In the heart of our busy community is a ten acre forest that the Reisterstown Improvement Association is transforming into a community park for all to enjoy.	Baltimore County
Saunders Point Citizens Association, Inc.	Re-greening of 5 bio-retention areas in the median of the Saunders Point Community. The area provides storm water management and water quality benefits	Anne Arundel County

	along with educational awareness. Community volunteers will install additional native plants that act as butterfly attractants and enhance the community's greenscape.	
ShoreRivers	Don't Paddle Past It is a litter cleanup and outreach program that aims to change boaters' actions and mindsets around trash pollution by providing the tools to not only stop littering, but also clean up trash on local waterways.	Talbot County
Sky Valley Association, Inc. (A Homeowners Association in Garrett County Maryland)	Sky Valley Association, Inc. will utilize funding to assist in mitigating the effects of storm water runoff within the Sky Valley Community. This project will address an area of concern identified in the North Glade Assessment.	Garrett County
Strong City Baltimore (BLISS Meadows)	BLISS Meadows will plan and implement community clean up days in a consistent manner that engages and educates our neighbors on ways we can take ownership of keeping our community clean and beautiful.	Baltimore City
Sussex Community Association Inc	The Sussex Community located in a DHCD's Designated Sustainable Community area will greatly benefit from this grant by being able to continue their efforts to improve their community living environment, foster community pride and beautify their neighborhood.	Baltimore County
Taneytown Main Street/Communiity Foundation of Carroll County	Taneytown Main Street along with various partners, will showcase the richness of its historical buildings, unique shops and heritage walking tour by adding more planting and visual street improvements.	Carroll County
The 6th Branch	To establish the Hoffman Nature Corridor (HNC), a two-acre green space in Baltimore's Johnston Square community. HNC will boast environmentally-focused activities such as composting, flower gardening, and agriculture, and serve as an anchor for East Baltimore residents to experience nature.	Baltimore City
Town of Berlin	Berlin will apply the \$1,000 fee to become a certified 'Keep America Beautiful' affiliate required by the Maryland Main Street Program. Berlin sponsors a Take Pride in Berlin Week and Clean Up Berlin Day that requires funding for supplies.	Worcester County
Town of Cottage City, MD	We will do a community clean up throughout the town. This will involve all residents, students and other	Prince George's

	volunteers.	
Town of Emmitsburg	The Town of Emmitsburg will utilize funding to continue the clean and green initiatives throughout Town by 1) purchase six recycling containers for placement throughout our parks and 2) purchase tee shirts for the Town's 2020 Earth Day celebration.	Frederick County
Town of Federalsburg	Federalsburg Second Clean Up Grant will continue the work started on the 2 business blocks of Federalsburg Main Street Area. This additional Grant will help to complete the work started with the First Grant.	Caroline County
Town of Manchester	The Town of Manchester in 2019 received a Clean Up and Green Up Grant in the amount of \$4,000, with this grant, Manchester was able to purchase 100-65 Gallon Recycling Containers/Totes. This years' grant will fund an additional 100 Totes.	Carroll County
Town of Mount Airy	This project seeks to provide education on composting to residents through a Farmers Market event and promotional advertisements and to cover the cost of the certification fee for becoming a Keep Maryland Beautiful Affiliate.	Carroll County
Town of New Market	The Town of New Market became a Maryland Main Street October 2018. As a full designee, the Town is required to become a Keep America Beautiful Affiliate. The award will cover the one-time certification fee to the program.	Frederick County
Town of Thurmont	Purchase wildflower seed packets to hand out at farmers market, Thurmont Green Fest, and events throughout the year. We received a grant two years ago for these and have handed all of them out. They were a great marketing tool!	Frederick County
Volunteering Untapped, Inc.	Volunteering Untapped will host at least three Clean Up & Green Up events in 2020 which will bring out hundreds of young professional volunteers in Baltimore City to beautify parks, commercial districts, neighborhoods and waterways.	Baltimore City

Aileen Hughes Grant:

Name of Nominee:	Brief summary	County
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	For recognition as an outstanding conservation partner, Katie's hard work, commitment and dedication as the	
	Executive Director of Baltimore Green Space (BGS), is	
	praiseworthy. BGS promotes vibrant neighborhoods and a	
	healthy environment through land preservation, research, and community advocacy. Katie's forward-thinking and	
	innovative approaches to urban land trusts and the	
	inclusion of urban forest stewardship has earned her the	Baltimore
Katie Lautar	respect of leaders in Baltimore and around the country.	City









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