



# COST SHARE GRANTS

## Eligibility

Grant funds are available to residents, associations, nonprofits, schools, businesses, and cities for projects located within District boundaries.

## Grant Funds

Up to 75% of a project's cost will be funded for material, labor, engineering, and consulting fees. Maximum grant award is \$5,000 for residential, \$20,000 for town home, condo or lake associations, and \$50,000 for commercial, government, or nonprofit organizations.

## Cost Estimates

### 🌿 Raingarden

**\$8 - \$12 per square foot**

Raingarden construction includes removal of existing vegetation or turf grass, soil excavation, soil amendments, plantings, mulching, and edging. Additional expenses can include inlets such as curb cuts or downspout connections, and retaining walls.

### 🌿 Shoreline Buffer

**\$1 - \$4 per square foot**

Shoreline buffer construction includes removal of existing vegetation or turf grass, amending existing soils with compost, installing native plants, installing erosion control measures including erosion control blanket or sediment control log, and mulching with shredded hardwood mulch or straw. Size of plants to be installed range from small plugs to one gallon containers.

### 🌿 Pavers

**\$10 - \$18 per square foot**

Permeable paver construction includes removal of existing pavement, excavation and loosening of soil below pavers, installation of rock that serves as a base for the pavers, drain tile and outlets (where it is not possible for water to soak into the ground due to hard soils), geotextile fabric, edging to hold pavers in place, small stone to be swept into paver joints, and pavers.

### 🌿 Invasive Species Removal

**\$2,500 - \$6,000 per acre**

Invasive species removal costs are dependent on individual site characteristics such as density, distribution and size of invasive species. Other impacts affecting cost include site access, site slopes, and costs to control erosion as necessary. It is important to follow-up invasive removal with the introduction and establishment of native species to prevent reestablishment of the invasive species.

### 🌿 Habitat Restoration & On-Going Management

**\$5,000 - \$15,000 per acre**

To enhance existing natural areas or after invasive species removal, habitat restoration costs include introduction of native plants including forbs, grasses and sedges, shrubs, and trees. Project goals and existing natural area condition will affect cost. On-going management is critical for long lasting success and includes mechanical or herbicide eradication of invasive species.

The Cost Share Grant Application is available at [ninemilecreek.org/get-involved/grants/](http://ninemilecreek.org/get-involved/grants/)

\* FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY : These cost ranges are for planning level design only. Each potential project should be assessed on an individual basis.