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Climate Action Funds

\$7 Million available

- Funding available for Urban and Community Forestry projects with emphasis on improving Tree Equity.
- Eligible applicants include 501(c)(3) organizations, Tribes, cities, towns, counties, educational institutions, and special taxing districts (conservation districts, parks districts, school districts, etc.) in Washington state.
- 50 percent of all funding is dedicated to communities with at least one census tract containing high environmental health disparities. A full match waiver is available.
- Application deadline is January 8, 2024 - act now! Join or watch the webinar series for a strong proposal.

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*Find the request for
applications and the Grant
Webinar Series here:*

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2024 Urban and Community Forestry Assistance Grants Applications Open

THE NEED FOR URBAN FORESTRY IN WASHINGTON'S COMMUNITIES

Urban and community forests in Washington are valuable local resources and cornerstones of our reputation as the Evergreen State. The mounting environmental challenges that our urban forests face pose threats to public health and quality of life across Washington. Investment in urban trees and forests supports cost-effective strategies to reduce flooding, summer heat, and pollution, and helps communities become greener, healthier, and more resilient.

At a time when cities face numerous daunting challenges, Washington State Department of Natural Resources staff are thinking broadly about potential solutions, including how investments in urban forests as green infrastructure can help.

The 2024 Community Forestry Assistance Grant is an opportunity for environmental professionals and community advocates to collaborate on projects addressing community-identified needs by leveraging the benefits of trees and forests.

DNR TO DISTRIBUTE A HISTORIC \$7M IN FOREST SERVICE GRANTS

DNR has received \$7 million in passthrough funding from the Washington State Legislature and USDA Forest Service to distribute through the Community Forestry Assistance Grant program. The awarded projects will range from \$10,000 to \$350,000 in funding. Applications are due by January 8, 2024. Periods of performance for awardees will vary to support one-year projects to those being implemented over multiple years.

Applicants are encouraged but not required to address federal priorities in their proposals. These priorities include supporting nature-deprived communities, workforce development, urban wood utilization, urban food forests, and extreme heat mitigation.

A full match waiver is available. Matching is not required and will not impact the competitiveness of any application.

