



February 2025 Grants List

Organization	Purpose	Amount
Great Lakes		
Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority <i>Exeter, ON</i>	to increase awareness, implement best management practices, support agricultural drainage research, and undertake monitoring to protect and improve the health of the Main Bayfield Watershed	\$201,000 <i>over 3 years</i>
Clinton River Watershed Council <i>Rochester Hills, MI</i>	for general operating support	\$735,000 <i>over 3 years</i>
Friends of the Detroit River <i>Taylor, MI</i>	for general operating support	\$570,000 <i>over 3 years</i>
Friends of the Rouge <i>Plymouth, MI</i>	for general operating support	\$1,005,000 <i>over 3 years</i>
Huron River Watershed Council <i>Ann Arbor, MI</i>	for general operating support	\$1,110,000 <i>over 3 years</i>
National Wildlife Federation <i>Ann Arbor, MI</i>	to build and strengthen a coalition of over 180 organizations and ensure that Great Lakes restoration is at the forefront of regional and national conservation policy priorities	\$900,000 <i>over 3 years</i>
River Raisin Watershed Council <i>Adrian, MI</i>	for general operating support	\$180,000 <i>over 3 years</i>
Alliance of Rouge Communities <i>Canton, MI</i>	to identify where sanitary sewage is entering the Rouge River and provide training to municipal staff on how to comply with their stormwater permit	\$133,000 <i>in year 2 of 3</i>
Belle Isle Conservancy <i>Detroit, MI</i>	to support the expansion of stewardship and advocacy on Belle Isle	\$75,000 <i>in year 2 of 2</i>
Center for Watershed Protection <i>Fulton, MD</i>	to work with local communities to identify locations for large-scale, impactful green infrastructure implementation	\$96,000 <i>in year 2 of 2</i>

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Clinton River Watershed Council <i>Rochester Hills, MI</i>	to support Clinton River Watershed Council in strengthening financial operations	\$55,000 <i>in year 2 of 2</i>
Council of the Great Lakes Region <i>Cleveland, OH</i>	to further deepen the engagement of companies and business leaders in the bi-national Great Lakes economic region as stewards, to inform socioeconomic and environmental policy and strategy	\$75,000 <i>in year 2 of 2</i>
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation <i>Washington, D.C.</i>	to support the grantmaking and administration of the Southeast Michigan Resilience Fund	\$200,000 <i>in year 2 of 3</i>
Northeast-Midwest Institute <i>Washington, D.C.</i>	to empower and grow the Congressional Great Lakes Task Force through policy education and engagement and grow it by orienting new members of Congress	\$80,000 <i>in year 2 of 2</i>
Michigan Association of Conservation Districts <i>East Lansing, MI</i>	to increase farmer adoption of conservation practices to protect water quality in the Western Lake Erie Basin and strengthen farmer leadership to encourage neighbor action	\$183,000 <i>in year 3 of 3</i>
Michigan State University <i>East Lansing, MI</i>	to work with state and federal agencies in Michigan to develop and implement a monitoring strategy that measures conservation implementation, conservation effectiveness, and progress toward meeting Michigan's 40% phosphorus reduction goal for Lake Erie	\$229,860 <i>in year 3 of 4</i>
The University of Michigan <i>Ann Arbor, MI</i>	to establish and support stakeholder and science advisory panel processes for Michigan's Domestic Action Plan team	\$208,000 <i>in year 3 of 3</i>
The University of Michigan <i>Ann Arbor, MI</i>	to identify barriers to regional stormwater cooperation and develop strategies to break down these barriers	\$285,230 <i>in year 2 of 2</i>
Environmental Health & Justice (<i>program sunset in 2024 and incorporated as a lens for Great Lakes and Sustainable Business grantmaking in spenddown</i>)		
Michigan Environmental Justice Coalition <i>Detroit, MI</i>	to strengthen the Clear the Air Coalition and raise awareness about air quality in Michigan	\$600,000 <i>over 3 years</i>
The University of Michigan <i>Ann Arbor, MI</i>	to limit diesel truck traffic in residential areas of Detroit	\$225,000 <i>in year 2 of 2</i>

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Sustainable Business		
Inforum <i>Detroit, MI</i>	to establish an operating structure for Sustainable Business Network of Detroit	\$311,000 <i>in year 2 of 2</i>
Lawrence Technological University <i>Southfield, MI</i>	to position small to medium sized manufacturers to improve climate and boost economic competitiveness	\$172,000 <i>in year 3 of 3</i>
People First Economy <i>Grand Rapids, MI</i>	to support small businesses in Southeast Michigan to create sustainable, lasting, and equitable economic growth	\$150,000 <i>in year 2 of 2</i>
Arts + Culture		
CultureSource <i>Detroit, MI</i>	to administer the Detroit Arts Support 2025-2028 cycle	\$75,000 <i>over 4 years</i>
Jazz at Lincoln Center <i>New York, NY</i>	for scholarships (inclusive of registration, travel, and board) for 10 Detroit-area middle and high school band directors to attend Band Director Academy in New York City in 2025	\$40,000
Signal Return <i>Detroit, MI</i>	to support the expansion of the organization's mission-driven programs and business model in a new arts district on Detroit's East Side	\$50,000 <i>in year 3 of 3</i>
Alzheimer's Research		
Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association Inc. <i>Chicago, IL</i>	to enhance support of early-career dementia scientists with special awards named for Fred and Barbara Erb	\$655,000 <i>in year 3 of 5</i>
Special Opportunities		
Council of Michigan Foundations <i>Grand Haven, MI</i>	to support four two-year CMF Philanthropy Fellows	\$1,040,000 <i>over 3 years</i>
Southeast Michigan Foundation for Public Spaces <i>Detroit, MI</i>	to support construction and opening of the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Centennial Park	\$1,000,000
Grand Total		\$10,639,090