

Action Grants

Small, simple grants for community projects to protect clean water

Do you have a service project in mind, but you need financial assistance to make it happen? If you have the idea and the manpower, the Pelican River Watershed District may be able to help you make it happen. The District is offering service grants up to \$250. However, you can't do it alone.

Criteria

- Who can apply: residents, local businesses, groups and troops
- You need a team to apply (at least two people, but we hope more!)
- Projects must take place within the watershed district
- Projects must have a water resources or environmental component
- Applicants are eligible for one grant per year

*If you are a minor, a project supervisor (parent or group leader) needs to fill out the application.

Awards

- Amount: up to \$250
- Grants are awarded as a rebate for purchases made
- A project report and receipts must be provided for refund to be issued

How it works

Before you apply

1. Come up with an idea
2. Assemble your team
3. Apply to the watershed district

If your project is approved

1. Buy your materials and do your project
2. Keep your receipts and take lots of photos
3. Have fun!

After your project

1. Submit the project reimbursement to the watershed district
2. Send in copies of all your receipts
3. A reimbursement check will come in the mail

Ideas

Host a clean-up

Get your friends or neighbors together to clean up trash at a local lake, creek, or wetland. Use grant money to promote your event, and purchase gloves, trash bags, and snacks for your volunteers.

Stencil Storm Drains

Assemble a group to stencil storm drains in a neighborhood or near a waterbody to help keep drains clean. The City of Detroit Lakes and the Watershed District can supply stencils, and paint costs can be reimbursed.

Install a rain barrel

Collect rainwater off your roof to water your lawn, or native plants. Invite neighbors to assemble and decorate so your neighborhood is filled with colorful rain barrels.