



Funding Opportunities Continued...

VIMS Nationwide Fishing Trap Removal, Assessment, and Prevention (TRAP) Program

Funding to remove derelict fishing traps throughout coastal waterways of the United States while collecting data to prevent future gear loss.

Funding projects between \$50,000 - \$150,000

<https://www.trapprogram.org/open-rfps/>

Applications due March 31, 2026

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) National Coastal Resilience Fund 2026

Funding to support planning, design, and implementation of nature-based solutions to enhance protection for coastal communities from the impacts of storms, floods, and other natural hazards while improving habitats for fish and wildlife.

<https://www.nfwf.org/programs/national-coastal-resilience-fund/national-coastal-resilience-fund-2026-request-proposals>

Applications due March 31, 2026

FY 2026 Implementation of the U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS)

Funding to support coordinated regional efforts that advance the Nation’s understanding and decision-making of its coastal ocean and Great Lakes through integrated observations, data provision and management, modeling, and engagement.

Funding projects between \$2 Million - \$5 Million

<https://simpler.grants.gov/opportunity/4448efb7-741b-43ad-9343-26a50e6c882b>

Applications due April 13, 2026

Gulf of America Alliance (GOAA) Marine Debris Team

Funding to support projects in Florida, including restoration projects involving invasive species removal, marine debris clean-ups, and installation of living shorelines.

Funding projects between \$25,000 - \$50,000

<https://forms.gle/wsVrCJvMh5A3PCvS7>

Applications due April 17, 2026

Gulf Partnership for Land Conservation Project Assistance Fund

Funding to support land conservation projects in the coastal region with important public recreation, wildlife habitat, resilience, and water quality benefits for local communities within the Gulf States.

Funding projects up to \$50,000

<https://gulfpartnership.org/project-assistance-fund-1>

Applications accepted on a rolling basis





Uniting Central and Southwest Florida to Protect Water and Wildlife

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Coastal Conservation Association (CCA) Florida One Million Dollar Habitat Pledge

Funding 20 coastal habitat focused projects statewide for \$50,000 each.

<https://ccaflorida.org/one-million-dollar-habitat-pledge/>

Applications accepted on a rolling basis

Gulf of America Alliance (GOAA) Gulf Star Program

The Gulf Star Program provides funding for projects that support healthy beaches, clean waters, productive ecosystems, and thriving coastal communities.

<https://gulfofamericaalliance.org/gulf-star/>

EDA FY25 Disaster Supplemental Fund

Funding to assist communities recovering from a disaster.

Funding projects up to \$50 Million

<https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/359225>

Applications accepted on rolling basis until funds have been expended

