

#### COASTAL & HEARTLAND NATIONAL ESTUARY PARTNERSHIP

# 2023-24 Funding Opportunities

The Coastal & Heartland National Estuary Partnership (CHNEP) is part of the US EPA National Estuary Program and is comprised of local, state and federal governmental entities, non-profits, private sector entities and the public. Its mission is to unite Central and Southwest Florida to protect water and wildlife. The CHNEP is non-regulatory, science-based, and citizen-supported, and its work is supported by a professional team who works to pair funding opportunities and resources with the communities and partners in the CHNEP's 10-county service area.

## **Funding Opportunities**

## **Gulf Research Program Fellowships and Grants**

Offers a variety of fellowship and grant opportunities to enhance oil system safety and the protection of human health and the environment in the Gulf of Mexico and U.S. outer continental shelf regions. <a href="https://www.nationalacademies.org/gulf/fellowships-and-grants">https://www.nationalacademies.org/gulf/fellowships-and-grants</a>

#### Sea Grant FY 2024 National Aquaculture Initiative

Funding for research projects and programs that will develop and refine methods, protocols, techniques, and/or strategies to enhance the production of one or more life stages of aquaculture species with the overall goal of improving the efficiency, output, and profitability of commercial coastal or coastal aquaculture businesses.

\$5-6 Million total to fund projects

https://seagrant.noaa.gov/funding/

Letters of Intent due January 17, 2024

## National Fish Habitat Partnership

Projects should restore, conserve, or preserve priority aquatic habitat designated by the <u>Southeastern Conservation Adaptation Strategy Conservation Blueprint</u>, or those that protect/enhance recreational fisheries, or conserve conservation needy species.

To apply, contact Todd Ewing at todd@southeastaquatics.net Applications due January 19, 2024

## National Estuary Program Watersheds Grant Program

Support projects that address urgent, emerging, and challenging issues threatening the well-being of estuaries within the 28 NEP location boundary areas.

Awarding projects between \$200,000 and \$500,000

https://estuaries.org/nep-watershed-grants/

Letters of Intent due January 26, 2024



# Uniting Central and Southwest Florida to Protect Water and Wildlife

## **Funding Opportunities Continued...**

## Caring for our Coast Gulf Region Grants

Support organizations and groups hosting locally based volunteer events in the Gulf of Mexico region.

Awarding projects up to \$4,000

https://estuaries.org/caring-for-our-coast/

Applications due January 31, 2024

## NOAA Gulf of Mexico Bay Watershed Education and Training (Gulf B-WET) Program

Supports projects that develop and promote Meaningful Watershed Educational Experiences (MWEEs), a learner-centered framework that focuses on investigations into local environmental issues, leads to informed action, and increases environmental literacy.

Awarding projects between \$25,000 and \$150,000

https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/grant/noaa-gulf-mexico-bay-watershed-education-and-training-gulf-b-wet-program

Applications due February 5, 2024

## NASA Earth Action: Supporting Climate Resilient Communities

Support communities in building their resilience to climate impacts through the application of NASA Earth observations. The focus of proposals must be on informing decisions that enhance community-level resilience to episodic and chronic climate stressors.

Awarding 7-9 projects up to \$2 Million per year

https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/solicitations/summary.do?solId=%7BE020F0C0-1D69-4842-

EADB-6D0F650E9D0A%7D&path=&method=init

Notice of Intent due February 23, 2024

# **EPA Healthy and Resilient Gulf of Mexico 2023 BIL**

Funding to support the following priority areas: 1) Water Quality Improvement, 2) Protect, Enhance, or Restore Habitat, 3) Environmental Education, and/or 4) Strengthen Community Resilience.

Awarding ~5 projects up to \$6 Million

https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/351353

Applications due April 4, 2024











