

2021 TWF Healthy Shorelines Initiative



Eligibility

All projects must be located on Chapman, Center, Pike, or Winona Lakes. In addition, the homeowners must be members of their respective Lake Association. The maximum amount of grant funds available per household/location is 75% of the total project cost or the amount listed below - whichever is lower.

- \$1,000 in grant funds for a new glacial stone seawall or stone re-facing of an existing seawall
- \$1,200 in grant funds for a bioengineered seawall

Payments are made on a reimbursement basis for projects completed by September 30, 2021. The applicant must contribute at least 25% of the total cost of the project. Applicants must also agree to maintain the project for no less than ten (10) years.

Application Process

Applicants must complete the grant application form and submit it to The Watershed Foundation no later than August 1, 2021. Applications may be emailed to admin@WatershedFoundation.org or mailed to The Watershed Foundation at PO Box 55, North Webster, IN 46555.

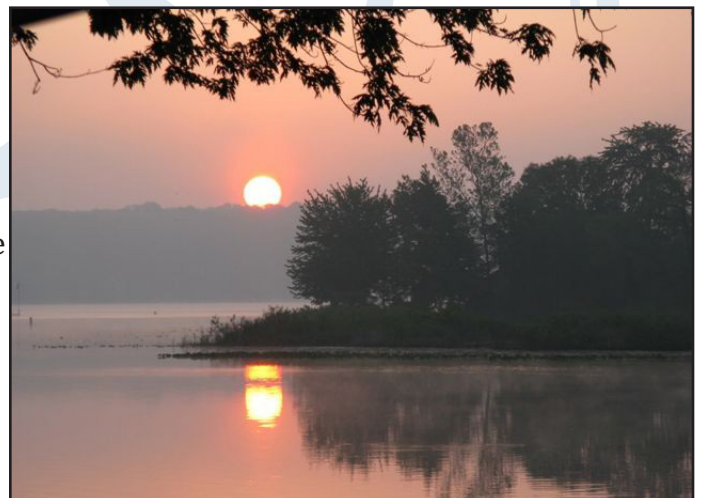
Applications will be reviewed by The Watershed Foundation and applicants will be contacted by August 15, 2021. Selection will be based upon length and visibility of shoreline to be improved, erosion/pollution being addressed, number of contiguous landowners involved, and if the applicant attended the informational workshop. If the remaining eligible applications are equally ranked, selection will be determined in the order they were received.

Projects must be completed by September 30, 2022 to receive reimbursement.

Residents are encouraged to work with neighbors! Greater environmental benefits and cost-savings are likely when projects are installed along multiple adjacent properties.

Payment

The Healthy Shorelines Initiative grant is paid as a reimbursement. Recipients are required to submit original receipts for all expenses upon completion of the project. Reimbursement will be provided only after The Watershed Foundation has received the appropriate invoices and documentation for the work completed. **Permit costs and sales tax are not eligible for reimbursement.**



Reporting Requirements

Grant recipients will be required to submit a final report to The Watershed Foundation upon completion of the project and no later than September 30, 2021. TWF will also conduct a site visit during and/or after completion to ensure proper installation procedures and specifications are followed.

Maintenance Requirements

Landowners are required to maintain or upgrade projects for a minimum of ten years. All maintenance costs are the responsibility of the landowner. If the project is not maintained appropriately, the landowner will be required to return funds to TWF.

Potential Projects

If you would like guidance to determine the appropriate practices for your shoreline, contact TWF for assistance.

Costs listed below are for general information purposes only. You will need to contact one or more contractors to obtain a quote (see below). A complete cost estimate specific to your property is strongly recommended prior to application.

You are encouraged to talk with your neighbors about installations on multiple properties.

Contractors

Local contractors are available to assist applicants with design and installation of projects. There are also a number of nurseries in Indiana that supply native plants for planting projects. This information can be downloaded from the TWF Healthy Shorelines Initiative website at www.WatershedFoundation.org - click on TAKE ACTION!

Funding

Thank you to the Winona Lake Preservation Association and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management via an EPA 319 Nonpoint Source Pollution grant for support of this project.



H.S.I. Application

2021 Program

Application Deadline: August 1, 2021



Applicant Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Property Location (if different from above):

Name of Lake: _____

Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Email: _____

Check project type(s):

Glacial Stone Re-facing or New Glacial Stone Seawall
Max Grant \$1,000

Bioengineered/Joint Planting
Max Grant \$1,200

Total Length (in feet) of Project: _____

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$ _____

HSI Grant Amount Requested: \$ _____

Source of Cost Estimate: _____

(Examples: Contractor, Guidance Manual)

Anticipated Project start date (month/year): _____

Anticipated Project Completion Date (month/year): _____

Include at least 2 digital or printed photos of the proposed project site.

If taken with a mobile phone, the photos may also be sent via text message to 574/453-2113.



Project Description (You may attach additional pages if necessary):

Healthy Shorelines Initiative Agreement

In requesting grant assistance from The Watershed Foundation, I hereby certify that:

- I am the owner of the property.
- I am a member in good standing of the Center Lake Conservation Association, Chapman Lake Conservation Association, Pike Lake Association, or Winona Lake Preservation Association.
- I agree to provide at least 25% of the total project cost. I understand that reimbursement will be paid upon completion of the project before September 30, 2022 – as well as approval of the final report.
- I understand that permit costs and sales tax are not eligible for reimbursement.
- I agree to submit a final report with photos and maintain the project for a minimum of ten (10) years and will reimburse funds to TWF if I fail to do so.
- I agree to place a Healthy Shoreline sign (provided by TWF) along my lakefront for at least one boating season.
- I agree that photos of my project may be used for promotional purposes by The Watershed Foundation in print and electronic media.

Signature of Property Owner: _____

Printed Name of Property Owner: _____ Date: _____

**Submit Application & Photos by
August 1, 2021 to:**

admin@watershedfoundation.org

The Watershed Foundation
PO Box 55
North Webster, IN 46555

