

How the Grant Works

If your project is selected for a grant, the Conservation District will help you create a plan, assist with project permitting (if required), and help answer questions about project implementation. Funding can be requested for project materials, equipment rental, contractor labor and other project expenses.



Kitsap Conservation District and the Clean Water Kitsap Program

The Kitsap Conservation District manages the Backyard Habitat Grants, residential rain gardens, and farm management programs. Backyard Habitat Grants are funded under the Clean Water Kitsap Program. The Clean Water Kitsap Program protects people, property and natural resources by reducing flooding and stormwater runoff, conserving groundwater, restoring fish habitat, and preventing stormwater pollution.



Reduce
Flooding



Prevent
Pollution



Restore
Fish Habitat



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Backyard Habitat grants

For Stream Restoration
On Private Property



Apply by
November

Improve your backyard with a Backyard Habitat Grant

Ready to restore your stream? You can receive a grant for stream restoration projects on private properties in unincorporated Kitsap County. Individual landowners, local organizations, conservation groups and others are encouraged to apply. *Funds may be available for larger projects.*

Grants typically range from **\$2,500 to \$15,000**



Backyard Restoration Project on Scandia Creek

What are the Benefits of Stream Restoration Projects?



Well-functioning streams with healthy ecosystems bring benefits to property owners and Puget Sound:

- **STABILIZES** stream banks and reduces erosion
- **IMPROVES** habitat for fish, wildlife and insects
- **CLEAN** cool water with resting pools make it easier for fish to survive



Before: Ivy smothered out native plants, large concrete blocks armored the bank, and the stream lacked large woody material.



After: Concrete blocks were removed and 18 habitat logs installed. English Ivy was removed and 1,480 trees/shrubs planted.

Stream Restoration Project Types:

These projects will help restore streams to natural conditions, improve fish and wildlife habitat, and maintain your views and access to your shoreline:

Plant stream side areas with **NATIVE PLANTS**



Clean up refuse in the **STREAM**



REMOVE CONCRETE or rip-rap banks and stabilize using bioengineering techniques



Remove undersized culverts, old dams or concrete structures to improve **FISH PASSAGE**



Remove noxious weeds and replace with **NATIVE PLANTS**



Add **HABITAT LOGS** and stream gravel to enhance streams



Projects should **EMPHASIZE "HANDS-ON" IMPLEMENTATION**, and more project ideas are welcome.



Contact the Conservation District to discuss your project ideas and request a site visit:
360. 204.5529 ext. 122,
backyardhabitat@conserveva.net

Fill out an application that includes basic information about the project, anticipated timeline, and project cost.

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For more information and specific deadlines, visit: <http://kitsapcd.org/programs/backyard-habitat-program>