

# Show Me the Money: Finding Dollars for Restoration and Outreach



## 2018 Conservation Lands Workshop

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*Protecting and restoring water resources from Venice to Bonita Springs to Winter Haven*



# Funding is part of Our Plan

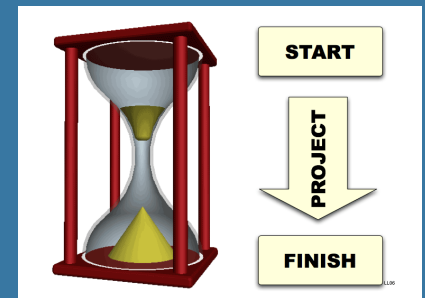
CCMP includes Priority Actions to fund projects:

- **SG-M: Vigorously pursue the Long Range Funding Strategy and funding mechanisms to implement watershed and estuary protection.**
- **SG-Q: Build capacity for communities and their local leadership to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change through joint efforts.**



# Why Grants?

- *Enhance* an existing project
- Perform research projects
- Support “needed” projects and free up budgeted \$\$
- Conduct a “needed” project not in budget
- Opportunity to implement innovative techniques, methods
- Finance a “wanted” project not in budget
- Fund interns, one-time capital expenses, or events



# Grants and Supplemental Funding

- **Grant:** a sum of money given by an organization, especially a government, for a particular purpose.
- **Supplemental funding:** additional funding added to a pre-existing grant to conduct new or enhance current tasks.
- **Grants.gov:** an online resource where you can find, and apply for Federal grants, and learn about the grant process.



# Grant Project Categories

- Habitat Restoration
- Wetlands Research/Restoration
- Coastal Stewardship
- Invasive/Exotics Removal
- Coastal Resiliency (climate change, SLR)
- Water Quality
- Marine Debris
- Environmental Education
- Research



# Getting Started

- 1) Identify Need
- 2) Develop Project Concept
- 3) Determine what success looks like
- 4) Establish a means to measure success
- 1) Estimate budget and available match
- 5) Identify potential partners
- 6) Ascertain your organization's internal process
- 7) Now look for funding – be aware of grant cycles



# Sources of Grant Funding

- Federal government
- State agencies
- Regional organizations
- Public Foundations and Non-profits
- Local Community Foundations
- Private Foundations
- Private donors



# Search for Grants

- Grants.gov
- NFWF.org
- CHNEP website
- Listserves:
  - gomaeen@disl.org
  - GrantStation.com
- PhilanthropyNewsDigest.com - (register for free RFP subscription)
- Subscription (fee-based) databases:
  - Foundation Directory Online
  - eCivis



REFER TO YOUR GRANTS HANDOUT 😊



# Free Training

- Grants.gov – learn the federal process
- GrantSpace.org – basic webinars
- NOAA Grants Online:  
[http://www.corporateservices.noaa.gov/grantsonline/gol\\_training.html](http://www.corporateservices.noaa.gov/grantsonline/gol_training.html)



# Federal Grants



- Federal Grants application window is 45 to 60 days
- Letters of Interest/Intent (LOI) / Pre-Proposals, < 10 pages
- Match in-kind and cash - 30% to 50% non-federal match
- Federal specific matters:
  - Federal grants.gov is now a cloud-based space
  - Federal negotiated rates, default indirect rate is 10%
  - Federal Sub-awardees must adhere to Federal rules



# NEP Grants

## CHNEP

- Public Outreach Grants - Sept. 2018
- Micro-grants – year-round
- Event sponsorships – year round

## Sarasota Estuary Program

- Bay Partners Grants , March 1, 2018

## Tampa Bay Estuary Program

- Minigrants, Sept. 2018
- Environmental Restoration Fund, March 23, 2018



# How CHNEP Can Assist You



- Grant opportunities posted to CHNEP website
- Letters of support – linking CCMP to project
- Identify required in-kind match funds
- Search for grants for your project concept
- Assist with drafting grant application
- Review grant applications prior to submittal
- “Prime” some grant applications (eligibility)
- Assist with complying with award requirements