



**CITY OF BLOOMINGTON UTILITIES
RESIDENTIAL STORMWATER GRANTS 2023
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)**

Q Who is eligible for a Residential Stormwater Grant?

A City of Bloomington residents with owner-occupied homes that pay the City of Bloomington's stormwater fee.

Q What is the timeline for Residential Stormwater Grants 2023?

A The timeline for Residential Stormwater Grants 2023 is as follows:

- Confer The sooner the better!
- Application Deadline September 1, 2023
- Grants Awarded Fall 2023

Q When is the best time to start working on your Residential Stormwater Grant plan?

A The sooner you start, the better!

Q What is the typical range of a Residential Stormwater Grant?

A \$2,000 - \$7,000 (depending on project and number of properties involved)

Q What types of projects are eligible for a Residential Stormwater Grant?

A Raingardens, bioswales, culverts, stormwater pond maintenance, and more, including combinations, thereof.

Q Is it best to work with neighbors?

A Yes! Working with your contiguous neighbors is encouraged. Choose only one person as the main contact for correspondence but do list all others involved – names and addresses – on the application.

Q How many quotes should I get from contractors?

A We suggest you get at least three quotes and choose/submit only one.

Q What about related regulations?

A Be mindful of regulations in relation to property lines, permits, easements, right-of-ways, alleys, conservancies, and so on as you and your Contractor are responsible for taking them into account (you may need a professional survey done; if so, the grant, if awarded, will cover the costs).

Q How should I furnish a sketch showing my proposed plan?

A A sketch will be required and include the following items:

- Geographical direction (North at the top)
- Scale (as close as possible)
- Legend (map symbols key)
- Direction of stormwater flow (arrows)

- Placement of features and materials (as well as labeling of them)
- Parcels, easements, right-of-ways, alleys, conservation areas, and any other restrictions (many of these items can be found on the County's Elevate site: <https://monroein.elevatemaps.io/>)

Q How will the projects be selected?

A Projects will be selected through a review committee including a Utilities Service Board representative.

Q How will the project be funded?

A Fully or partially.

Q Should tax be included in the estimate?

A No. CBU is tax-exempt. Therefore, tax should not appear on the invoice or estimate for the project (see also the RSG 2023 Contractors FAQ for more information on payment).

Q What is the grant agreement?

A The Grant Agreement is a legal document which you will sign if awarded a grant (an example can be found on the Residential Stormwater Grants webpage).

Q How long does the grantee have time to finish the project?

A One year (and the project can be inspected up to five years after that).

Q Is more education available?

A Yes! Please visit. "Stormwater Resources for Homeowners webpage, 2. Site Visits and Resources".

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